

FIGHTING POVERTY ... IN KENYA

THIKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

SAVINGS AND SUPPORT BUILD NEST EGG FOR KENYAN FAMILY

For Anastasia Wambui and her husband David Mwaura, saving was the first step in their hopes of taking out a loan through their Trust Group in Thika, Kenya. They have now saved £370 and have taken out two loans, which they have used to expand their poultry farm by buying more chickens and feed.

They now have a flock of 300 chickens which produce 8 trays of eggs every day – each tray sells for £2.

Anastasia and David are able to easily pay for their two children's school fees, meet their basic needs, save for the future and also return some of the profits into their business.

“The Trust Group has nurtured my spiritual growth and has enabled me and the other members to increase our giving and tithing. It has enhanced my relationship with God,” David said.



Anastasia



WHERE WE WORK



Road through Thika

more families living in the streets, a higher incidence of HIV/AIDS and heightened insecurity. In order to establish the savings and credit programme, assistance was requested from Five Talents by Bishop Gideon Githiga. His goal was to empower poor entrepreneurs to create new jobs and sustain small businesses.

FIVE TALENTS NEEDS YOUR HELP

In 2010, Five Talents is raising £30,000 in order to continue funding this innovative savings and credit programme. Please consider a gift today.

Thika Community Development Trust (TCDT) is located in the rural Central Highlands, north of Nairobi. This program has a holistic approach to mission. Their community-based programmes, which were created in 2004 by the Anglican Diocese of Thika, aim to provide an environment where people can enjoy God's abundance and lead a dignified life.

The town of Thika, about 45 minutes from Nairobi, is a microcosm of what has occurred across this East African country. Thika has experienced a dramatic increase in population during the past 10 years, which has resulted in

STATISTICS

THIKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Number of members:	1,980
Total Outstanding Loan Portfolio:	£166,380
Total Savings:	£235,503
Repayment rate:	100%
Impact of Single Loan:	9 people

KENYA

- Life expectancy: 53 years
- Population: 36.6 million
- Population living below national poverty line: 56%
- Thika population not expected to live past age 40: 36%
- Thika population without access to safe drinking water: 62%

