



RAFIKI

FOUNDATION
MISSIONARY NEWSLETTER

September 2020 – Amber Nichole Jackson

Dear Support team,

Accept

Every year I meditate and pray for a one-word goal for the new year. The Lord placed on my heart the word accept and to stop running from the person He has equipped and called me to be because of fear, anxiety, or what it would mean if I accepted the role He called me to. Every day the Lord demands more of me, to give more of myself for His glory, to accept my circumstances, governing authorities, shortcomings, gift, talents, and more.



Mary and me, a Rafiki graduate

I must first apologize that I have not sent an update since pre-COVID. This has been a season of constant change, stretching, and growth.

Personal updates: The Lord continues to show me my great need for Him and His faithful love towards me. In April, I was officially named Headmaster of the Rafiki Secondary School here in Kenya. It took me about two months to trust the

Lord and prayerfully accept the position. I'm glad I did, because it has challenged me to grow beyond what I thought possible.

We have been studying Exodus in the Rafiki Bible Study with the resident children here. The Lord repeatedly promises to make Himself known to His people. He reminds us of who He is, demonstrates His power, and His faithful perfect provisions for us. That who He is, has never and will never be dependent on who we are. I love that. God's character has not changed and will remain the same forever. It's been such a blessing to rehearse these truths with the children every morning.

Village updates: School is still out. There is speculation about school resuming in January. We will see what the Lord does. In the meantime, we have had different opportunities to attend a classical education conference online and provide teachers with further training in classical education. We implemented project-based learning activities for our resident students which gave our teachers the opportunity to enhance their teaching craft by providing the children with enriching educational opportunities. Some of these opportunities include business etiquette, Kiswahili debate, Kenya culture, entrepreneurship, leadership, magazine writing, experiments, life skills, sewing, and more. Organizing and structuring learning opportunities for 55 students has kept me busy. However, the students and teachers are growing, learning, and thriving which is so good to see.

We have been blessed to be able to do church here at the Village together, Sunday school, worship led by the students, and live-streamed sermons. And on Monday evenings I lead a young ladies prayer group with senior high school and graduate girls.



Cultural Dance Performance



Kenyan Birthday Bath



Bible Study Discussion Groups



Students reenact Passover



Lung Dissection



Birthday Dinner with friends

Prayer requests:

- *Discernment and peace as I make decisions and lead the secondary school.*
- *Wisdom from the Lord to train teachers according to the Lord's will and mission of Rafiki.*
- *Continued growth in the Word for me, the students, and teachers.*
- *Discipline to continue reading, learning, and stretching my education in classical Christian education.*

Join my support team: I currently need support team members who will commit to:

- Prayer
- Monthly giving
- Annual giving

Donation link: <https://www.rafikifoundation.org/missionary/nichole-jackson-245>

Due to security reasons, my name on Rafiki's website is Nichole Jackson. My picture will not be posted on their website. If you have any questions, please contact me.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Amber Nichole Jackson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Amber" being more prominent and the last name "Jackson" following in a similar style.

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