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Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

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mir-a-cle

- a highly improbable or extraordinary event, development, or accomplishment that brings very welcome consequences.
- an amazing product or achievement, or an outstanding example of something. (Webster's Dictionary)

When I think of a miracle, the first thing that comes to mind is the separating of the Red Sea in Exodus 14. The sea opened up and allowed the Israelite's (God's people) to walk right through onto safety. However, another miracle is when a friend calls me up on the phone and shares praises of God's goodness in her life. She asks God to give her contentment and joy from a life of depression, and the next thing she knows, she is laughing and smiling and singing songs to the Lord.

When I sat down to write this newsletter, the word "Miracle" would not leave my thoughts. In 2017, the first year of Form 6 students (equivalent of community college) graduated from Hebron Secondary School, before going on to study at the university level (Three years). At this time, Hebron was given a national award for one of the most improved schools in the nation. The government sent out 3 supervisors to oversee this process of national testing. We found out that all the students passed the exam with high marks. Out of 146 high schools that tested, we became 21st in the nation of Tanzania!!

Last year, in 2018, the government sent out 5 supervisors, and two of them were armed guards. The guards were to ensure that no foul play was happening in the way of bribery. An observer to the school, sent by the Ministry of Education, was one of these five supervisors. All our Hebron students passed again, and were assigned to top universities.



Form 5 & 6 Class of 2019

Exam Levels

Division I:5
Division II:25
Division III:23
Division IV:8
Failures:0

This year, May 2019, the government sent 4 supervisors and 3 armed guards. This is not cause for alarm, rather, it is a testament to the student's and teachers' abilities. Our school provided these seven administrators with clean rooms, a friendly work environment, meals, and an office to conduct business for two weeks. On test day,

the exams were driven up to Sakila that morning, because they did not trust the lock boxes that were provided. The national board of examinations, which is under the Minister of Education, requested schools to send a teacher to supervise the correction committee after testing. Very few schools get

this request, and ours is one of them! The exams were taken to a secure location and corrected by hand. For the third year in a row, all our students passed their exams! **All 61 students.** [See orange box for students who passed each level.]

The benefits of these results, year after year, will be young adults wanting to come from all over the nation and beyond, to receive this education. Not only will they receive an education to further their career, but one that teaches about God. Your prayers and support have made this all possible. Your love for children and a desire to bless others, as we have been blessed, is overwhelming. I believe that what we are seeing and hearing is the definition of a miracle. This school is an extraordinary event, was highly improbable, an accomplishment that brings welcome consequences, and an amazing achievement.

Jennifer K.

Godwin just came back from Tanzania and he says that the rains have completely stopped. There is an entire crop failure! We will need to buy 500 bags of corn at \$42 per bag, and 150 bags of beans at \$76 per bag. We need prayer! And, we need a miracle! If you are able to give, we would appreciate any donations. Thank you so much.

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