

William B. Budd Scholarship Fund - Supporting Education in Kenya

2005 Annual Report



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Highlights in 2005

- *Thirty-three students received financial support—a record number*
- *First funding for post-secondary education was provided to six students*
- *Five Year Report produced*
- *Website launched: www.buddscholarship.org*
- *E-giving initiated through the website*
- *First Budd Scholars won admission to universities in the US and South Africa*
- *Full Board visited Kenya and met 25 Budd Scholars*
- *Contributions exceeded US\$15,000 for the first time*
- *Budd Scholar Albert Keya addressed Board Meeting in US*
- *Budd Junior Academy started in Western Province by Budd Scholar John Kiboi*

INTRODUCTION

The William Budd Scholarship Fund entered its sixth year of operation in 2005. This Annual Report highlights the significant growth and impact of the Fund in the past year.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

In 2005, a total of 33 students received financial support from the Budd Fund.

- (a) **New students:** Ten new students were selected to receive scholarships for secondary school beginning in January 2005:

| Student | District |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Ezekiel Cheronu | Baringo |
| Dissent Ingati | |
| Brian Wamathai Kamara | Nyeri |
| Victor Muthuri Kinyua | Meru |
| Ruth Otieno Lavinder | Nyanza |
| Dorothy Makena | |
| Rita Wanjiku Mungai | Thika |
| Lilian Chepcurgat Naibei | Trans Nzoia |
| Joseph w. Wakunghu | |
| Stephen Wandwasi | Trans Nzoia |

A brief biography of each new student is provided in Attachment 1.

(b) Continuing students: Seventeen students continued to receive support for their studies in Form III and Form IV.

(c) Graduating students: Six students completed Form IV in 2005 and had commendable results on their school leaving exams:

| Student | School | KCPE Grade |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Caroline Wanjiru Kiunga | Alliance High School | B |
| Lilian Manjuki | Pangani Girls Secondary | A- |
| Francis Mutunga Mutiso | Ititu Secondary | B |
| Caroline Naliaka | Nakami Secondary | B |
| Gideon Mnjaa Ngure | Lenana High School | A- |
| Beatrice A. Opondo | Ngiya Girl's High School | C+ |

(d) Post-secondary studies: In 2004 the Board authorized the use of scholarship funds to support selected students to continue their schooling after completing Form Four since few graduates were finding employment. In 2005, six students received support for their continued studies:

| Student | Course Being Pursued | College |
|---------------------|------------------------|--|
| Wakesho J. Chege | Accounting | Mombasa Polytechnic |
| Harun Ileri | Bachelor of Commerce | University of Nairobi |
| Muchui Julius | Medical lab imaging | Kenya Med. Training Ctr. |
| Emaculate K. Mutuku | Information Technology | |
| Beatrice Mutio | Anthropology | Queen Elizabeth Univ., South Africa |
| Margaret Ndiema | Accounting | Eldoret Polytechnic |

In addition, Albert Sachita Keya is pursuing a degree in aeronautical engineering at Wichita State University in the USA, but is not being funded by the Budd Scholarship Fund.

The full list of students supported in 2005 is attached as Attachment 2.

EXPENDITURES

Total expenditure by the NCKK for Budd scholarships in 2005 was K shs. 814,344, or about US\$11,373. The breakdown per group was as follows:

| Cohort | No. Students | Kenya Shillings | US Dollar Equivalent |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 2001/2 Intake | 1 | 8,550 | 119 |
| 2003 Intake | 6 | 196,429 | 2743 |
| 2004 Intake | 10 | 345,622 | 4827 |
| 2005 Intake | 10 | 71, 070 | 993 |

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|----------------|---|----------------|----------------|
| Post-Secondary | 6 | 192,673 | 2691 |
| TOTAL | | 814,344 | 11, 373 |

The average cost per student for the full year:

| Level | Kenya Shillings | US Dollar Equivalent |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Secondary | 33,878 | 473 |
| Post-secondary | 32,112 | 449 |

The Board authorized the use of some funds to support incidental expenses of students with special needs for clothes, transportation and school materials. These expenditures are accounted for separately by the NCKK. The Fund finances no other administrative expenditures apart from a small administrative fee charged for processing website contributions (see below).

FUND TRANSFERS

The William Budd Scholarship Fund maintains its US-based account with the World Bank-IMF Staff Federal Credit Union. During 2005, transfers of US\$ 9,000 were made to the National Council of Churches of Kenya to fund scholarships. On December 31, 2005, there was a balance in the Budd Fund account in the Bank-Fund Staff Federal Credit Union of US\$ 7,750. The Budd Fund 2005 Cash Flow is provided in Attachment 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The Budd Scholarship Fund achieved its Business Plan goal of contributions in 2005 of \$15,200. Contributions came from a dozen individuals and the World Bank Dollars for Doers program. The list of contributors is found in Attachment 4. For the first time, contributions were received from former Peace Corps volunteers in the Kenya 1 and Kenya 2 cohorts, and one former volunteer visited schools and students in June 2005 (and contributed \$1000 directly to two schools).

ADMINISTRATION

Grace Muthungu, Scholarships Program Officer of the NCKK, continued to administer the Budd Scholarship Program in 2005. The Board has authorized NCKK to cover its administrative fees from the Budd Fund contribution. In 2005, shs.54, 000 were available for administration (but unused).

The full Board—Daniel Ritchie, President, Nancy Budd Vice-President and Michael McCarthy, Treasurer—plus Billy Budd, Alicia Ritchie and Kay McCarthy, visited Kenya in January 2005 and met about 25 current and former Budd Scholars in Nairobi and Kitale.

The Board had its Second Annual Meeting in Two Harbors, Minnesota on August 9, 2005. Several contributors participated in the discussion and a former Budd Scholar,

Albert Sachita Keya, expressed his appreciation for the opportunity he had been given, and his desire to contribute to the success of the Budd Fund.

COMMUNICATIONS

In 2005, the Budd Fund produced a Report on its first Five Years of operation, with stories of each of the first 30 students receiving scholarships from 2000 to 2004.

A website was created by Billy Budd, William B. Budd's grandson. The site: www.buddscholarship.org, contains the stories of the first thirty students. It also has a link with the Network for Good that allows for contributions to be made electronically for a nominal fee of 2%.

IMPACT

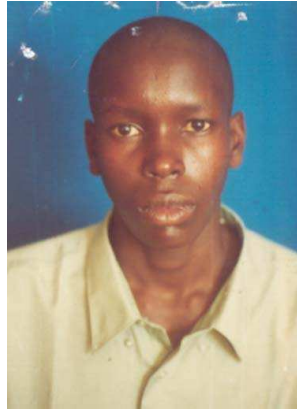
Most Budd Scholars are still in school. However, some secondary school graduates have begun working and pursuing higher education.

Albert Sachita Keya won admission to Wichita State University in the United States and is pursuing aeronautical engineering.

Beatrice Mutio won admission to Queen Elizabeth University in South Africa and is studying anthropology. The Budd Scholarship Fund contributed to the cost of her transport to and from South Africa, but does not fund tuition outside Kenya.

John Kiboi, in the first group of Budd Scholars in 2001, has started a private primary school in Western Kenya for underprivileged students. The school is named the Budd Junior Academy. It currently has nursery, kindergarten and Standard 1 classes, but is adding one class each year.

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R. O. LAVINDER – WD01/05

R. is a third born in a family of six children, three of who are in secondary schools. She was born on 6th March 1989, at Kochieng' Location, Nyanza Region. Their father is separated with the family due to alcoholism. This condition made him be sacked from his employment. The mother is a tutor at Kaimosi Technical College. With the only income the family has, she educates the kids, feeds them and takes full care of their other needs. This has made some of the children unable to continue with their education. R. is very bright girl, who managed 441 marks in KCPE. We can bank on her for good results. Given the assistance she requires, she could help the rest make something out of their lives through education. She is in Form Three currently at Alliance Girls High School

E. CHERONO – WD02/05

Born on 8th March, 1989 in Kipkata Location in Baringo District. He is in Form Three at Sacho High School, in Kabarinet. E. comes from a poor peasant family. His rural home is in the semi-arid land of Baring District. He is the sixth born out of nine children in his family. There are three children in secondary at the same time, which makes the parents unable to cater for them and the others. The family relies on well wishers mostly for their livelihood. To keep E. and his siblings in school it is recommended that he be assisted. He was recommended to us by the Regional Coordinator, North Rift and Anglican Church of Kenya – Kabarinet Parish.

D. MAKENA – WD03/05

D. Makena was born on 31st August, 1990 to a single-parent (mother). She is bright having scored 437 marks out of 500 in KCPE. She is in Form 3 at Limuru Girls High School. Her mother is a primary school teacher in Kajiado Township and lives in a rented house. She has lots of relatives relying on her since she is the only member of an extended family that is employed. D. has missed classes several times due to non-payment of fees. Being bright enough, she is recommended for assistance.



V. MUTHURI KINYUA – WD04/05

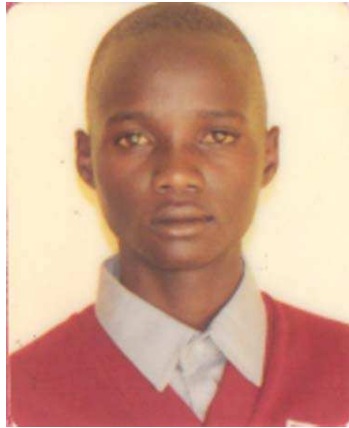
V. was born in 1986 in Nchaure-Kanyakine in Meru District. His parents abandoned him and his brother to the care of their maternal grandparents. He is a bright student who attained 450 marks in Kenya Certificate of Primary Education. He is in Form 3 at Lenana School, but he is sent home almost every term due to non-payment of school fees. His mother is alive but does not come home to see or assist them or to assist in anyway. V. sounds depressed due to endless problems but with assistance can settle down to meeting his goal in life.

BRIAN WAMATHAI KAMARA –WD05/05

B. was born on 2nd December 1989 in Nyeri. He is a very bright boy, who attained 462 marks in Kenya Certificate of Primary Education. He is at Starehe Boys Centre in Form 3. His single mother works as a primary school teacher. She has another kid to take care of. She has been paying B.'s fees with a lot of problems, hence the request from the school for assistance. B. is the school librarian and a special student with a promising future if assisted.

RITA WANJIKU MUNGAI – WD06/05

R. was born in Kiumbuini – Thika. She is a total orphan, having lost the mother through a road accident and the father being shot by unknown killers. She is now under the care of her maternal grandparents, who are unemployed. They do peasantry farming for livelihood. R. is a bright girl who attained 424 marks in Kenya Certificate of Primary Education, aspires a bright future if given a chance to continue with her education. She is now in Form 3 in Bahati Secondary School, Nakuru. She has remained in school through well-wishers. It is recommended that assistance be given to enable her meet her goal. She will be of help to her sibling and the grand parents.



S. WANDWASI - WD07/05

S. was born on 24th March 1989 at Kissawai in Trans Nzoia. His father was a polygamist, married to four wives and 29 children. Out of this number, 10 belong to S.'s mother. His father was shot dead by thugs when Stephen had just joined Lenana School. He dropped out for a term due to lack of fees. The senior teacher in charge of Academic Affairs has tried to fundraise for him with little success. Stephen is a bright student, who with support can go a long way in building a future for himself and his siblings. He is highly recommended for assistance.

J. W. WAKUNGHU - WD08/05

J. born in 1986 and has only one parent. His father died in 1999 with recurring ailment. Due to financial constraints facing the family, he is the only one in school. He is above average student who attained 389 marks in Kenya Primary Certificate of Education. He is currently in Form 3 in Sikusi Secondary School. Recommended by his Headmaster and the Salvation Army Church for assistance to enable him realize his dreams.

L. N. CHEPKURGAT – WD09/05

L. was born on 6th October 1989 in Kinyoro, Trans Nzoia District. She is currently in form 3 in Nakami Secondary School in Kitale. She is from a marginalized family background. Her father is a peasant while the mother is a housewife. They are eleven siblings in the family, with four of them in secondary schools. It is very difficult for the parents to meet the expenses involved in the children's school fees and livelihood. The family has relied on well wishers and church community at large for assistance. From the traditional expectations, L. is supposed to quit school and get married, hence bringing income in way of dowry, to the family instead of making them suffer. It is recommended that since she is firm in her education, assistance be given to enable her meet her goal in life.



D. INGATI – WD10/05

D. is a Form 3 student at Nairobi School. His father died after an attack of meningitis then mental sickness. The mother deserted the family, leaving them to the mercy of extended paternal family and well wishers. He is an above average student with great hopes in life if only he gets financial assistance to enable him realize the same. He expects to be of assistance to his siblings once he completes his studies. He is highly recommended by the Head of Department of Guidance and Counselling, Nairobi School for assistance.