

ARISE RWANDA MINISTRIES USA

Annual Report 2024



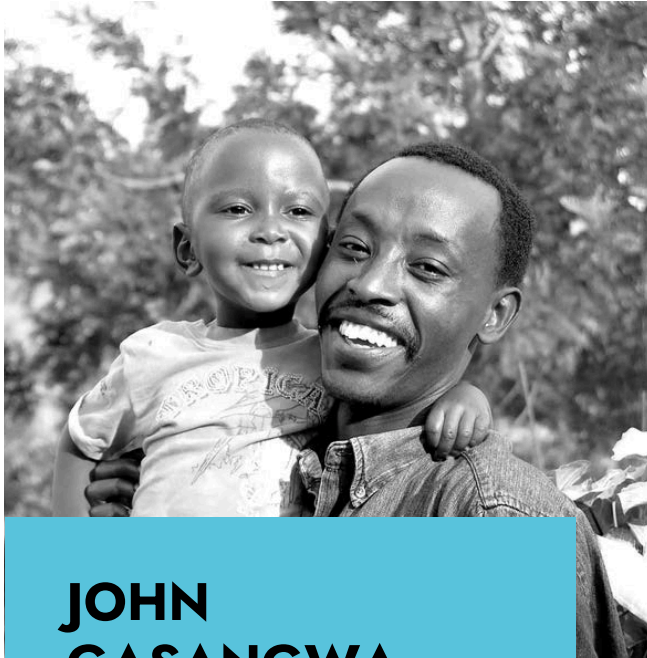
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Letter from the Founder



**JOHN
GASANGWA**
Founder and President

On behalf of Arise Rwanda Ministries and the people of Boneza, I would like to pause for a moment and reflect on the incredible achievements and successes that happened in 2024. This year was filled with such tremendous growth and milestones through Arise Rwanda Ministries as we continued to serve the community of Boneza in Rwanda through all our programs. As we wind down 2024, I would like to deeply express my heartfelt appreciations to each one of you. Your dedication, prayer, financial support and believing in the vision of Arise Rwanda Ministries has immensely helped us to achieve significant impact, transformation, and growth throughout Boneza.

As you will read in the pages of this report, lives are being transformed and changed in Boneza, Rwanda through all our ministries and services: providing education to over 600 students in our six pre-school programs and Kivu Hills Academy, serving over 50,000 meals to our students and children in our programs, feeding hungry families, building houses for widows and poor families, empowering women through small businesses in our micro-finance programs, training local pastors and community leaders and providing healthcare to over 1000 people through our medical missions. And you, our friends and partners, are an important part of all this!

As we look forward into 2025, there is our Medical Center to be completed, equipped, staffed and opened to start providing both quality and affordable healthcare services to the people of Boneza, meals to serve, pastors and local leaders to equip, more students to be sponsored and new opportunities to pursue so we can continue to expand and reach more families with compassion and transformation. I am confident that with God's guidance, grace, and generosity, all this will come about—and much more! Friends, be encouraged. Our God is on the move, and His plans for us are worthy of hope and joy! I invite you friends and ministry partners to come and experience what God has and continues to accomplish in the community of Boneza, Rwanda. As I look back on all that God achieved in 2024, I can't help but be excited for what more God has planned in the weeks and months ahead as we partner with Him to serve those in great need through Arise Rwanda Ministries.

By His Grace,
John Gasangwa

Letter from the Board Chairman



**GREG
YANCEY**

Board Chairman

On behalf of the Arise Rwanda Ministry Board, we are thankful for all that God accomplished in 2024. By His grace and the generosity of His people, the community of Boneza continues to be transformed out of extreme poverty creating hope, health and sustainability.

The Arise Rwanda team served and loved the families of Boneza through daily care and encouragement. Some highlights last year were:

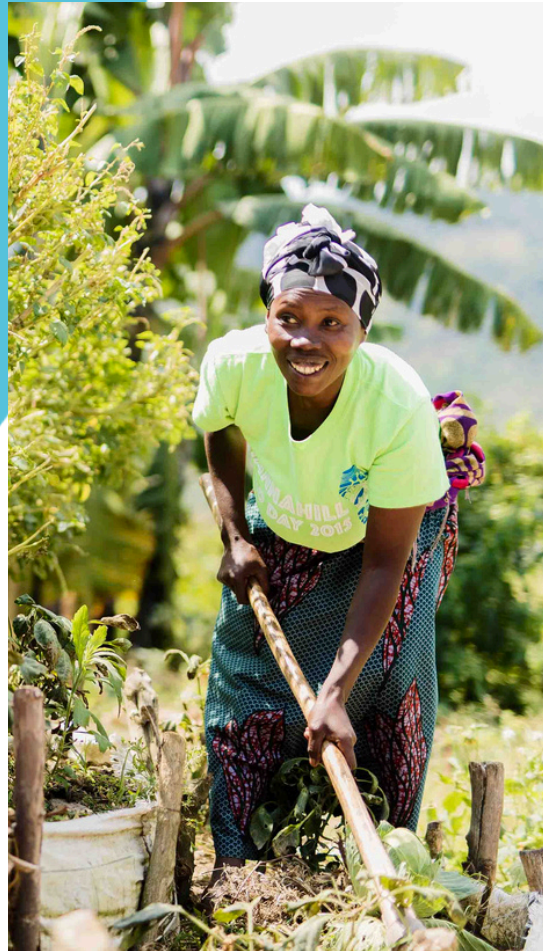
- Record number of students attended Kivu Hills Academy, educating 340 high school girls and boys through academics, trades and small businesses
- Over 4,000 women were served through ARM's economic development program by providing small loans, saving accounts and business training
- 50 Pastors were equipped and trained in God's Word
- Close to 1,200 people were provided basic healthcare through a medical mission outreach

Through God's provision and faithfulness, Kivu Hills Medical Center made great strides in building construction, nearing completion. We project to be fully completed by early 2025, planning to open Q1 2025. We have hired a Medical Director and Medical Administrator, both charged with staffing KHMC and managing the acquiring of all the medical equipment and supplies. KHMC will be a game changer for healthcare for the entire region offering much needed medical services that families do not currently have access to today.

Our passion is to continue to share the life, love and light of Jesus to those in physical and spiritual hardship. We are grateful for your partnership as God continues to grow His Kingdom in Boneza, Rwanda.

By His Grace,
Greg Yancey

About Arise Rwanda Ministries USA



Boneza, Rwanda

We are dedicated to the Boneza, Rwanda community. In Rwanda, we believe that the most effective way to build sustainability and prosperity is to focus holistically on individual communities through education, clean water, healthcare, Pastoral care, and community development.

Since 2011, we've focused our efforts and resources on the community of Boneza in the Western Province of Rwanda. Located on the shores of Lake Kivu, the local population is approximately 30,000. Boneza's villagers are primarily agrarian, tending their personal gardens for their family food as well as larger plots of tea, coffee, bananas, and potatoes for trade.

This beautiful region is rich in human resources but underdeveloped in the areas of education, clean water, economic development, and essential infrastructure. We work with community leaders in identifying priorities to build hope, health, and sustainable progress for the people of Boneza.



Organization Overview

VISION

A thriving Boneza, Rwanda with Christ-centered, educated leaders and residents creating hope, health, and sustainability for all people.

MISSION

To positively transform the community of Boneza out of extreme poverty by focusing on education, clean water, healthcare, Pastoral care, and economic development.

MOTIVATION

We answer the call of Jesus Christ to love, equip, and serve the people of Boneza by joining them on their journey out of poverty.

Education Program Overview



2024 Achievements:

- KHA emerged as the best modeled Technical School in Rwanda
- KHA graduated 131 students that have joined universities in Rwanda and others pursuing careers in different fields. This brings the total number of KHA alumni to 387 students.
- Start short course program in masonry for the youth that dropped out of school. We trained 174 students in masonry who are now employed all over Rwanda.
- We instituted Foundations for Farming at KHA farms and are producing about 50% of the food needed for the school. Our pig farm continued to grow with 15 pigs
- We provided 92,311 meals to both our High School students and Pre-school students.
- Our preschools continued to serve 300 children in Boneza.



2025 Goals:

- Keep KHA as the best modeled Technical High School in Rwanda in all three trades
- Growing the KHA students' number to 350
- Growing preschool students to 325
- Growing KHA revenues through creating more small school businesses in masonry, welding, hair styling and culinary
- Continuing to make KHA self-sustainable
- Fostering partnerships to support our education program
- Starting English and computer classes to all preschool teachers
- Introduce new curriculum and better teaching methodologies
- Partnering and engaging more with pre-school students' parents and their families
- Building learning materials

Community Development Program Overview

2024 Achievements:

- Served 4,000 women in our micro-finance program with small loans to start their businesses
- These 4,000 women were able to buy medical insurance and pay for the education of their children
- 31% of the women have life insurance through government insurance program Ejo Heza.
- Built 15 homes for widows and poor families in Boneza
- Donated 12 cows from our Have a Cow program. The total number of cows donated in Boneza is 700 to poor families. These cows provide manure, milk and income to the families



2025 Goals:

- Training 5,000 women in Boneza in micro-finance, starting small businesses and savings accounts
- Increasing Trust Group savings from a half a dollar to \$ 1 per week
- Encouraging 60% of the women in our Microfinance program to be saving for their retirement
- Help 500 women start new businesses through our micro-finance program
- Create three new sewing and baskets weaving women groups
- Women Conference reaching out to 13,000 women in Boneza.
- Donate 10 cows to poor families
- Build 10 homes for poor families

Healthcare Program Overview

2024 Achievements:

- 90% completed construction of the state-of-the-art Kivu Hills Medical Center
- Conducted the largest medical missions with a medical team from NYC and treated over 1,200 people
- Partnered with the government of Rwanda to pave the road to Kivu Hills Medical C, along with bringing stable grid electricity
- Provided over 1,000 jobs to the community of Boneza during construction of KHMC
- Received a container of medical equipment from Project Cure in the USA for
- Hired KHMC Medical Director
- Created a KHMC advisory Board of Directors



2025 Goals:

- Completion of the construction of Kivu Hills Medical Center by the end of February 2025
- Equip KHMC with all medical equipment and hire staff to start as a Day Clinic
- Open KHMC by March
- Continue partnerships with both local and international partners in healthcare for KHMC

Pastoral Care and Outreach Program Overview

2024 Achievements:

- Organized three community “Boneza for Jesus” crusades and training for pastors bringing local church leaders together and strengthening unity among them
- Introduced new ways of worship. With God’s help, this brought growth in the spiritual and moral lives of students and staff, helping the school become more Christ-centered. We recruited and trained over 50 students for the KHA Worship Team, teaching them singing and playing instruments. We hope to see them reach a national level in gospel music soon
- Introduced Bible classes and devotions at KHA every morning, led chapel services, and supported students and staff emotionally and spiritually, aiming to help them grow in faith and character
- Greater unity among Pastors by sharing messages, conducting pastor training and Bible Studies
- Helping spiritual growth at KHA by guiding students and staff in their faith
- Hired Prince Mutabazi as the Leader of Pastoral Care and Outreach program



2025 Goals:

- Supporting Churches by teaching the Bible and offering leadership training, hoping to develop young leaders who can make a positive impact in their communities
- Organizing Pastor and local leader’s conferences
- Lead three pastoral and local leaders training and equipping
- Create a network of Boneza pastors prayer breakfast three times a year where pastors and local leaders will meet, learn, encourage and challenge each other in the Word of God
- Conduct the first women conference

“Arise, shine, for your light
has come, and the glory of
the LORD rises upon you.”

Isaiah 60:1



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