

## CWPFG Celebration

Celebration of Children and Widows Protection and Fellowship Group with Odongo Kenas, Eric Andre, his mother Natalie Andre (below) and Vivian Awuor at Othora Village, Migori County, Kenya December 14-15, 2024



Also attending: Mentor Sophy Collins, Counselor Dominic Okongo, Kenas' sister Mary Evaline, five of Kenas' brothers Edwin Omuto, Robert Onyango, Hillary Ouma, Kepher Otieno, and Kevin Ochieng, Kenas' stepmothers Risper Auma and Isdora Ogallo, local headteacher Dan Iweto, primary school teacher Dan Ochally, high school teacher Vincent Panga, primary school teacher George Odoyo, and about 250 girls and 200 women, plus young children

## **CWPFG INTERNATIONAL, INC. MISSION STATEMENT**

CWPFG International's mission is to empower girls and women through transformative education, entrepreneurship and reproductive health. Its community-based approach helps women and girls overcome or avoid poverty, illiteracy, HIV, and gender-based oppression. Its goal is to reach women and girls in remote areas of Kenya, enabling them to survive and flourish in their own communities.

### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF CWPFG INTERNATIONAL, INC.:**

- Empower girls through financial support of their education
- Empower women through entrepreneurship support
- Support holistic reproductive health through sanitary supplies, contraceptives, and sexual education.

### **PROGRAMS SUPPORTING THESE OBJECTIVES:**

#### **The Deborah Ullian Kashdan Scholarship Program**

- Education is power for women through reduction of poverty.
- Unequal access to education is the silent architect of gender disparity.

#### **The F. W. Reproductive Health and Sexual Education Program**

- Every woman deserves the right to quality reproductive healthcare, regardless of where they live or their socioeconomic status. Access to quality reproductive health is not optional; it is among the most neglected of human rights.
- Investing in adolescent reproductive health education is a fundamental way to prevent teen pregnancies with its negative impact on mothers and their children.

#### **The Natalie Andre Women Entrepreneurship Program**

- Empowering women is the foundation of achieving gender equality and economic vitality.
- To break poverty cycles in society, women must be empowered financially.

**Future programs contemplated: water access through cisterns and wells**





Muhuru cave, near Lake Victoria, is one of the tourist sites in Migori County. It is believed that it was once used as a protective ground and hiding place during WWI and WWII. Nowadays it is used as a shrine for prayers since locals believe that there is divine power in that area.

Standing here are Kenas, a local woman, Natalie, Eric, Vivian and the local official guide to the caves.





Outside Muhuru caves, with Lake Victoria in the background.

Eric in Muhuru cave with local woman; notice the sun shining in on them from above.



Eric, Natalie and Vivian outside the caves.







Two girls giggling as Eric sings Hakuna Matata. Their names are Tet Noela and IvyJabes.

Eric and our guide, Celestine, hamming it up



Eric play-scaring children; always the comedian!







Girls in the audience on the first day, waiting for festivities to begin and to receive sanitary supplies

Below, everyone showing enthusiasm after program was completed







Counselor Dominic Okongo, Vivian, Mentor Sophy Collins, Natalie, Eric and Kenas, under tent. Eric and Natalie wearing Masaai blankets given to them.



Boxes of sanitary napkins to be distributed





Eric with the CWPCFG shirt given to him  
Dec. 14, 2024

Kenas and Vivian wearing Florida National  
Organization for Women tee shirts, their  
gift from Natalie



Sophy is giving  
Natalie the  
CWPCFG shirt.  
Kenas is  
describing this  
via the  
microphone,  
while Vivian  
sorts through  
other items.





Beef, chicken and fish were provided in the community center next door to the festivities. Natalie loved the fish, straight from Lake Victoria!







Two teams who played against each other. This was held after the program where sanitary supplies were distributed and recipients and volunteers were introduced to Eric and Natalie.







Business women with an enthusiastic Eric, second day; equally enthusiastic women in second photo







On the way to and from Othora Village, Eric asked to stop and observe local sporting events. This photo gives a good idea of how the area looks, as well as the inhabitants' devotion to competitive sports.



Kenas' sister, sitting, is Evaline Adhiambo, the one next to her is Doris Dock, and the fourth one with a blue hat is Nelly Osumo.





From right, Kenas' mother Mary Auma, Vivian Odete, Violet Edwin, Evaline Adhiambo, Natalie, Geff Franklin, Eric, Kenas, Dominic, Edwin



Natalie with Kenas' mother, Mary Auma



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Debbie Ullian Kashdan and Susan Atieno, friends for 30 years



**CWPF'G** FROM: SATURDAY TO SUNDAY

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**WELCOME YOU TO KENYA**

**NATALIE ANDRE**

10am-3pm

**Venue @ OTHORA VILLAGE**

**ERICK ANDRE**

The banner features a purple and green color scheme. It includes photos of Natalie Andre on the left and Erick Andre on the right. The central text "WELCOME YOU TO KENYA" is in large, bold, purple and blue letters. A clock icon indicates the time "10am-3pm".

Welcoming banner





# CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

This is to Certify that

*Natalie Pullman Andre*

For being Executive Director of CWPFG

ON THIS DAY 14TH DECEMBER 2024

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