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Teaching Kilimambogo Immaculate Heart Hospital HIV/AIDS Women Groups

Kilimambogo Immaculate Heart of Mary is a hospital situated about 15km from the G-BIACK centre and offers a wide range of services to the communities including health and nutrition. It is sponsored by the Catholic Church and well wishers. The hospital admits patients of all kinds including those with HIV/AIDS.

In 2010, the hospital and G-BIACK collaborated to initiate an agricultural project that would provide nutritional support to the HIV/AIDS emaciated patients. This project targets 9 organized women groups from Kilimambogo region, totaling more than 900 women who are either infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. Out of the 9 groups, 4 are HIV/AIDS support groups, meaning that they are all infected by the disease. Their husbands have died and they have been left with their children.

G-BIACK has established a GROW BIOINTENSIVE garden at the hospital which produces vegetables and other nutritional food crops for the patients. The garden is used as a satellite training centre by G-BIACK which enables us to reach communities that live around Kilimambogo and other parts of Eastern Province. This project is aimed at empowering the communities to grow and feed themselves a nourishing diet through low cost sustainable GROW BIOINTENSIVE agriculture techniques.

Please visit us! We are located 10km east of Thika town along the Thika – Garissa Rd (highway A3)

Or visit our web site: www.g-biack.org

Donations of any amount help us to reach out to more vulnerable families. Checks payable to Kilili Self Help Project and designated for G-BIACK may be mailed to 260 Marion Avenue, Mill Valley CA 94941 USA. Donations are tax deductible and 100% of the donated amount will be sent to G-BIACK for our programmes.

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