

### **Educational Operating Grants and Scholarships:**

\*Operation Bootstrap Africa's largest program is the MaaSAE Girls Secondary School (MGLSS) in Monduli, Tanzania. Student sponsorships provide funding for the education of 223 students at this residential school. In its 26<sup>th</sup> year, the school continues to provide an opportunity for pastoralist and semi-nomadic girls to be educated in a safe and nurturing environment. A monthly grant to the school supports teacher and staff salaries, food, textbooks, utilities, and other necessary expenses.

\*Additional scholarship funds were provided for 4 students attending Moringe Sokoine Secondary School in Monduli, Tanzania, 1 student at Mother Teresa of Calcuta Secondary School in Same Town, Tanzania, 1 student at Nazarene University, 2 students at Kitambolu Secondary School in Arusha, Tanzania, 1 student attending the Bassodawish schools in the Karatu region of Tanzania, 1 student at Umambwe Secondary School, 1 student at Michaud Secondary school, and 3 students attending schools in the Ketumbeine region of Tanzania.

\*In Madagascar a grant was provided to pay teacher salaries at five primary schools in the rural South. These teachers taught more than 800 students in one of the most impoverished areas of the country.

### **Leadership Development:**

\*The OBA post-secondary program provides scholarships for graduates of the MaaSAE Girls School through sponsor support. This year, 79 MGLSS graduates pursued degrees at colleges, universities, and vocational schools in Tanzania with scholarships through Operation Bootstrap Africa. Five graduates of other secondary schools also received post-secondary scholarships.

\*Twelve students at the Arusha Lutheran Medical Center School of Nursing each received a scholarship of \$1,000 - \$1,500 to help defray the high cost of nursing training.

### **Construction and Special Projects at Schools in Tanzania:**

\*Funding was provided for the following items at MGLSS—COVID supplies, Dorm Construction, and Mattresses.

\*Funding was provided for numerous primary and secondary school projects, including: furniture, building construction, and well construction at the ALMC School of Nursing, supplies for a monthly Lunch Program at Olchoki Primary School, teacher salaries at Babati, new textbooks and bookshelves for Bassodawish, a new roof in the kitchen of Gracious School, and a new separate classroom for children with sensory issues at Ilboru Special Needs Unit.

\*OBA gave COVID-19 aid to a day care/nursing home in Njombe, MGLSS, Bassadowish School, ALMC School of Nursing, five schools in Madagascar, the Ilboru Special Needs Unit, Olarush School, Moringe Sokoine Secondary, Emburis School, and Best School Academy,

**Healthcare and Health Education:**

\*Grants were provided to the Arusha Lutheran Medical Centre School of Nursing to subsidize the high cost of nursing education. Additional grants provided funding for the construction of a new cafeteria and dormitories at the school.

**Cultural Education and Exchange:**

\*Eight guests joined the Executive Director in January on a tour of our projects in Northern Tanzania in order to gain a better understanding of the work and foster connections with the communities with whom we partner. This program ensures that participants develop a greater interest in and ability to help students become educated and communities to receive health care.