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## Our Mothers Need You!

World Cancer Day is February 4, 2022

**HEART** is launching a breast cancer campaign for 389 **WEEP** Mothers to have a **Mammogram** screening by **October 21st, 2022, 'National Mammography Day'!**

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You may remember the Kibera Bowman WEEP Center Coordinator **Rhoda Maviala**. Rhoda came into our program in 2011 very sick with HIV, three small children and no real source of income. With sheer determination, the desire to raise her children herself, and support from HEART (you), she has been the Center Coordinator at the Kibera Bowman Center for seven years since 2015.

Unfortunately, Rhoda was diagnosed with breast cancer stage II in her right breast in October 2021. She immediately began chemotherapy treatment to shrink the tumor and has successfully completed four sessions.

She was advised to go for a mammogram test last week, after a swelling was identified on the left breast. We pray that the test turns out negative, so she can start to prepare for surgery to remove the mass.

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Screening our 389 WEEP mothers for breast cancer will allow us to detect cancer early and reduce the health and economic burden arising from delayed treatment.

In addition, when mothers are healthy, they work to earn a living and support their households.

**The total cost is only \$13,615 for all these mothers!!!**



## **Teri Paz Retired Missionary to Kenya**

In October of 2021, I was diagnosed with breast cancer according to the results of my annual mammogram. I was very fortunate the cancer was discovered early. It was Stage '0', non-invasive cancer. My doctor called it the, 'best bad news' you could receive. Towards the end of November, I went in for surgery and a lumpectomy. After a month to heal, I started 15 treatments of radiation. I have finished radiation. I still have numerous follow-up doctor appointments, and eventually another mammogram. I am cancer-free, and I owe 'cancer free' to the grace of God and early detection.



These past weeks I have been contacting every woman I know and telling her to 'get your annual mammograms!!!!' I am all for doing self-examinations, but if I had depended solely on a self-exam, I would may have had a more serious diagnosis. Because of the early detection by a mammogram, the cancer was contained within the mammary duck and had not spread to lymph nodes.

**I want this same result for the  
WEEP Moms in Kenya that I know  
and love!**

**Beto and Teri Paz gave \$1,000 for  
Mammograms for our WEEP Moms!**

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mammogram or  
any amount will help!**

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