

TRAIN(Kenya)

Famine Appeal 2026

Dear Friends & Supporters

Whilst this has yet to hit the international news in any significant way (the BBC has yet to report on it) there is a very real problem facing our brothers and sisters in Christ in Kenya and particularly in the Pokot region: quite simply **this years crop has failed**.

Many of those we support are reliant on their own crops to feed their families, some of the villages are remote, getting to markets to purchase food can be challenging, and the price of maize is already spiralling – in the early part of the year a 90kg bag cost around KES 3,500 (apx £20), in recent days the local markets are selling the same at KES 5,400 (apx £31) and the price is likely to continue to rise.



Maize is currently coming into the region from Uganda so there is an opportunity to purchase and store this is the locality to assist our friends over the coming months as their own reserves are depleted, and whilst the Kenyan government are looking into the situation, it may be some time before any governmental support reaches the remote areas of Pokot.

At the end of Acts 11, we read that the church in Antioch were made aware of ‘a great famine throughout all the world’ which prompted the response that **‘each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea**. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.’

As believers we have an opportunity to assist our Pokot brethren, but it makes sense to act early while food prices are lower, so that they can store food locally (much like Joseph did in Egypt) and be sustained over the coming months. At present we estimate the cost of purchasing and transporting each 90kg sack of maize to the churches we support to be apx £42/sack, utilising local transport that can accommodate up to 120 sacks (almost 11 metric tonnes), so the cost of a truck load would be circa £5,000. Responsibility for organising the purchase and transport will be done by our contacts in the churches in the Pokot who are best placed to do this.

Please pray for the brethren in the Pokot over the coming months that the Lord would not just meet their needs, but that they would have increased opportunity to preach the gospel and demonstrate the love of our Saviour in their trust and reliance on Him.

If you have the ability please consider helping us to send relief to them and if possible also let us know via email trainkenya@outlook.com so that we can ascertain more rapidly what we are able to do.

Newsletter written by Alan Wigley on behalf of all the trustees. <https://www.trainkenya.com/>

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