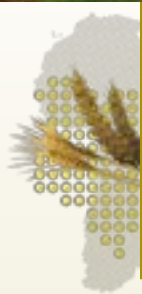


prayer  focus

the persecuted



The Karanja family of six lived peacefully in their Kenyan village—that is, until the night of December 30, 2007.

That night, neighbours in the village where they'd lived for 18 years burned their home to the ground. Finding refuge in a nearby church, the Karanja were joined by about 100 other men, women, and children who were also chased away from their properties. This trauma led to much bitterness in the hearts of the victims.

The Peace, Healing, Reconciliation Program gave the Karanjias

- ▶ help in dealing with their anger and bitterness towards their neighbours
- ▶ a forum to discuss peaceful responses to negative situations
- ▶ mediated interaction with those from the tribe of their persecutors
- ▶ encouragement for them to return to their home

Program mediators accompanied the Karanja family on their return to their village. Beautifully, they were able to talk with their neighbours, pray with them, and forgive them. Like the Karanjias, many Kenyan families are still living in tents and rebuilding their lives.

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family devotions - HEBREWS 13:1-8

Remembering is a result of love. Meditate especially on verse 3. How can you love those you have not seen? Consider the words, “as if you were in prison.” In what ways have you followed this command? How can you?

PRAY FOR

- ✎ Pastors and Christian facilitators who lead the peace and reconciliation workshops.
- ✎ The work of the Spirit in bringing healing and peace for all involved.
- ✎ Effective accompaniment of mediators who help families return to their homes.
- ✎ Peace and resolution for deep-rooted tribal issues in Kenya.