

**Arafat from Kenya**

## Arafat's Future - Kenyan Medical Mission

Darkness enveloped me as I entered Arafat's home in Nakuru, Kenya at 3:30 pm in the afternoon. The sun was shining brightly, however Arafat's family home was completely dark. The family lives in the one-room structure with no windows. I strained to see one bed covered with dirty clothes and a small area that appeared like a kitchen. Arafat lives in this house, with his parents and 5 siblings. The room was so stifling that I had to rush outside for fresh air.

I saw hope light up the eyes of Arafat's mom, Howah, as we explained to her that Love Without Reason is coming to Nakuru, Kenya. She could not believe that someone would come and help her and her child. She kept looking at me with wonder, as if I was just an illusion, a mirage. Being a Muslim, it is not proper for her to shake hands with a stranger, but she came up to me with tears in her eyes and shook my hands and told me in Swahili, "God Bless You!"



Dear friends, NO, this is NOT an illusion or a mirage! Love Without Reason is going to Kenya to help children with cleft surgeries. In fact, we will be going to Tanzania, Rwanda, Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe and many other nations in the coming years to wipe away the tears of thousands of parents and children who face oppression due to a facial deformity.

A team of 30 volunteers from the United States, India, Vietnam and Zimbabwe, including surgeons, anesthesiologists, pediatricians and missionaries will leave for Nakuru, Kenya on July 20, 2018, to conduct a two-week mission. Screening camp will be on July 29, followed by 5 days of surgery, with a goal to do more than 50 surgeries.

Your partnership makes it possible for LWR to do these surgeries for the poor. I invite you to join us for future missions as we impact the lives of these children.

## CASTING THE VISION

Love Without Reason is on a mission to complete 1,000 surgeries in one year starting with the Kenyan project. As we embark on this project, we are looking to raise \$1,000,000 (One Million Dollars), to help fund these 1,000 surgeries and build up the core infrastructure of LWR operations in the US, India and Africa.

Since the month of May, I spent 45 days traveling through India and Africa seeing the immense need for the Love that we can bring to the people that we serve. Love Without Reason has over 200 volunteers, and 10 full-time staff in the USA, India and Africa who help us with various aspects of the organization's operation. LWR is growing aggressively and we believe we should push forward "Until the World is Cleft-Free."

We are looking for philanthropists to invest in the next phase of Love Without Reason's mission into Africa. Donate online at [www.lovewithoutreason.org](http://www.lovewithoutreason.org). Checks can be made out to LWR and sent to P.O. Box 21009, Chattanooga, TN 37424.

Because Every Child Matters!

*Santhosh Mathews*



**Santhosh with Arafat in Kenya**



**Praying for Kenya, Africa**

## Save the DATE 5KRun4LOVE!

September is Craniofacial Acceptance Month! For the 4th year, Love Without Reason will be holding its annual 5KRun4LOVE on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at the Tennessee Riverpark! We are thankful to Coca-Cola and Pediatric Dentistry of Chattanooga for sponsoring this event.

For more information on available sponsorships, visit [www.5krun4love.com](http://www.5krun4love.com), or email [info@lovewithoutreason.org](mailto:info@lovewithoutreason.org). Online registration for 5KRun4Love will begin on July 15, 2018.



**Love Without Reason**

## Experiencing Unconditional Love

Philip is the Catalyst for LWR. I often remind him "Philip, you are the Reason for Love Without Reason." We thank God for allowing us to be a part of this great ministry of Love and Compassion. We had the privilege to join LWR in medical camps in Kerala, India and in Zimbabwe, Africa.

Last June in Zimbabwe, we were hosted by Believe and Vimbai and their two children. Their daughter, Kaka, would chase after us and call out, "KJ, KJ!" We loved being with the children. During the time of the medical camp, we saw so many people from babies to young adults born with cleft lip and cleft palate. LWR gave these children a beautiful smile, and their faces were filled with happiness, hope and a bright future. To keep their futures bright, we

must educate everyone about human trafficking.

Even these children are sometimes sold into human trafficking networks. But if the parents and other authorities know more about this crime, then we can protect these children even more.

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- **KJ Ponnachen**

Ernest, who was sixteen years old. He traveled from over 150 miles away by the bus transport. He had to come alone, because his parents could only afford one ticket fare. So, he came and had his cleft lip repair, and then went back home all by himself. LWR had completely covered the cost of his surgery. He has a new life!

Now, Ann and I are looking forward to going to Kenya! We got our yellow fever vaccine, and along with Jason (our son), we plan to work hard and serve the people of Kenya. Maybe you are not able to go on a mission this year, but you can still give to help a child get a life-changing surgery. You will be showing them love!

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**KJ and Ann Ponnachen (Mom and Dad)**





## Xiaomi, India sponsors 100 Cleft Surgeries in India

On June 25, Xiaomi India and its Mi Preferred Partners held a campaign in Bangalore, India, and generated funds to provide 100 cost-free surgeries for patients with clefts. Love Without Reason would like to thank Mr. Manu Kumar Jain, Mr. Sunil Baby, all the Mi Preferred Partners and the management of Xiaomi, India for their kindness and generosity.

Love Without Reason's new initiative of providing 1,000 cleft surgeries has taken off to a great start with this incredible gesture from Xiaomi. We looking forward to a long and lasting relationship with Xiaomi, India. Thank you for believing in the vision of LWR.



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Do you want to raise funds to help children with facial deformities? Use the link below to start your own fundraising campaign. All funds raised are tax deductible and benefit Love Without Reason.

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