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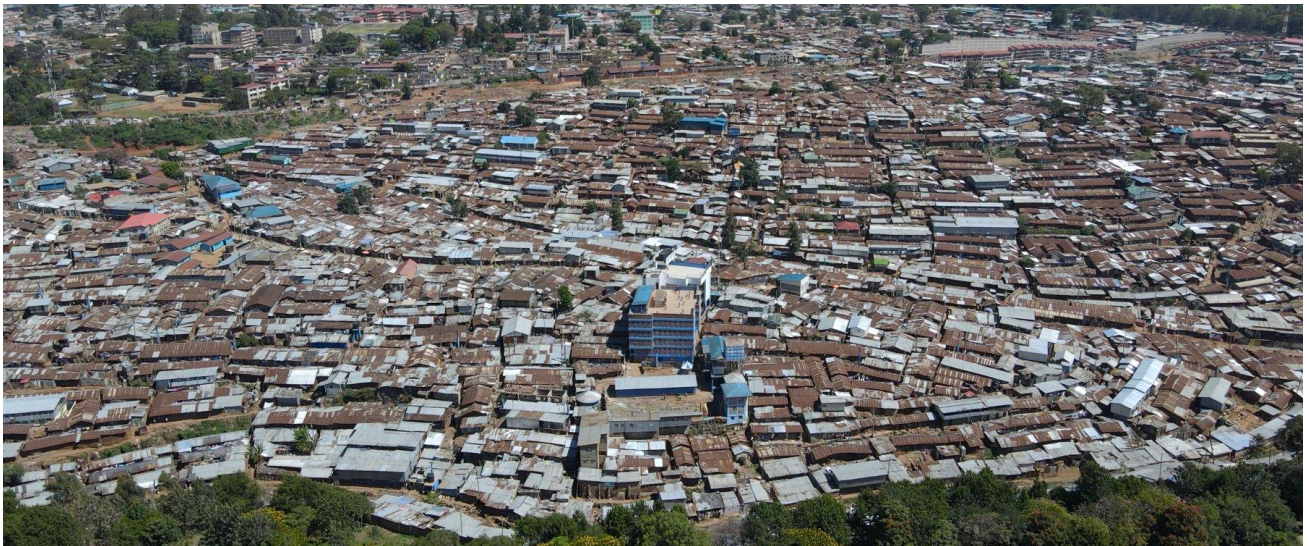
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FROM SURVIVAL TO SERVING GOD

How a boy from Kibera became Rev. Clyde Otieno — and went back to preach hope in the very place he once struggled to survive.



KIBERA, NAIROBI *Where Clyde's story began — one of Africa's largest informal settlements.*

WHEN THE RAINS CAME TO KIBERA, Clyde's family knew what to do. He, his mother, and his three siblings would gather in one corner of their small mud house and wait for the leaking roof to stop dripping. On some nights, they went to sleep without food.

It is a long way from that corner to the pulpit of Africa Inland Church—Neema, where Clyde now serves as Senior Pastor — and where, on **16 August 2026**, he was ordained a Reverend. This is the story of what happens when a child who is struggling simply to survive is given the chance to discover who God created him to be.

◆ A CHILDHOOD ON THE EDGE

Clyde grew up in a **single-parent family**. His mother, raising four children alone, worked as a casual labourer. When he was only three months old, she left him with his grandparents and went to Nairobi in search of work. When he reached Grade Five, she brought him to live with her in **Kibera, one of Africa's largest informal settlements**, hoping that together they could build a better life.

Instead, every day was a struggle — for food, for water, for shelter, for school fees. And poverty was only part of it. Clyde grew up surrounded by **drugs, crime, insecurity and violence**. In the turmoil that followed the disputed 2007/2008 elections, he was drawn into the demonstrations and saw people shot and killed. Some of the young people around him lost their lives.

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“God preserved my life.”

— Rev. Clyde Otieno



Rev. Clyde Otieno at the center and his wife Mary on the day of his ordination, 16 August 2026.

Back then, Clyde’s dream had nothing to do with the pulpit. He wanted to be a **politician** — to keep studying and one day read political science or law. But when he finished primary school in 2008, his mother could not afford secondary school fees. His options were closing in: life on the streets, or informal training in carpentry or welding just to survive.

◆ THEN GOD OPENED A DOOR

That same year, MCF’s social work department rescued ten children from Kibera. Clyde was one of them — and the direction of his life changed.

At MCF, he found far more than a place in school.

He found a family.

For a boy who had never been sure of food, shelter, schooling, or safety, there were three meals a day, a safe home, an education, and caring teachers. Above all, there was the love of **Daddy Mulli and Mama Esther**. Through their love, and through MCF’s spiritual programmes, Clyde began to experience the love of God in a way that transformed his heart and strengthened his faith.

Slowly, the dream changed. Through daily devotions, worship and prayer, the would-be politician began to sense that **God was calling him to serve as a pastor**. With the encouragement and support of Daddy Mulli and MCF, he went to Bible College to study Bible and Theology, and later served as youth pastor at MCF Ndalani.

◆ BACK TO KIBERA

Then God placed another burden on his heart: **Kibera**. The very place where Clyde had once struggled to survive was now the place God was sending him with the message of salvation and hope.

With Daddy Mulli’s support, he returned to serve in Missions and Evangelism with Africa Inland Church—Kibera — not as a victim of his circumstances, but as a messenger of Jesus Christ.

Today, as Senior Pastor of AIC—Neema, he is seeing real fruit. A church of about 50–60 members when he arrived has grown to **more than 150**. Through preaching, door-to-door evangelism, hospital ministry, and prayer, people are coming to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and experiencing the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. Alongside his ministry, Clyde is pursuing a **Bachelor’s degree in Bible and Theology**.



ORDINATION DAY Fellow ministers robe Clyde as a Reverend on his ordination; the day would not have ended with a little dance of celebration with the MCF Mission Choir on 16 August 2026.

♦ CLYDE’S JOURNEY AT A GLANCE

Infancy	Left in his grandparents’ care at three months old
Grade Five	Moves to Kibera with his mother and three siblings
2007/2008	Lives through the post-election violence
2008	Completes primary school; rescued by MCF
At MCF	Bible College; youth pastor at MCF Ndalani
Return	Missions & Evangelism, Africa Inland Church—Kibera
Today	Senior Pastor, AIC—Neema — from 50–60 to 150+ members
16 Aug 2026	Ordained a Reverend

♦ ONE CHILD. ONE FUTURE. ONE CALLING.

Clyde’s story is one of **more than 37,000 lives transformed** through Mully Children’s Family over the past 37 years. Behind that number are real people — children who came to MCF with different stories, different struggles, and different dreams.

Paul Boge's book, *Mully Children's Family Transformations*, tells seven of those stories. These seven young people, Paul explains, represent the thousands rescued through MCF. Their journeys differ, but they share one story: they were given hope, love, and the opportunity of a better future. Paul reminds us of three powerful truths:

Every child has a future.

Every person has a calling.

Everyone is within reach of transformation.

Clyde's life is a living testimony to these truths. The boy who once lived from hand to mouth in Kibera, surrounded by poverty, crime and violence, now preaches the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

This is what it means to save a child. It is not simply food today, school tomorrow, or a safe place to sleep. It is the chance to live, to heal, to learn, to encounter Christ, to discover a God-given calling — and, ultimately, to become a blessing to others.

Clyde was rescued from an environment where his future could easily have looked very different. Today, God has sent him back into communities like the one he came from, carrying the very message that changed his own life: the Good News of Jesus Christ.

✦ **SCRIPTURE FOR REFLECTION**

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."

— **Ephesians 2:10 (NKJV)**

. . .

"He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; that He may seat him with princes — with the princes of His people."

— **Psalms 113:7–8 (NKJV)**

. . .

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

— **Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)**

◆ PLEASE PRAY WITH US

Please pray with us for:

- ▶ **Rev. Clyde and his family** — that God will continue to give him wisdom, grace, strength, and courage as he serves and preaches the Gospel. Pray also for God's provision for his family, including school fees for Clyde and his two sons, and for their good health and well-being.
- ▶ **His ministry and the communities he serves** — that God will continue to use Clyde's testimony and ministry to bring hope to young people and families facing poverty, violence, drugs, and hopelessness, and that many will come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- ▶ **The children entrusted to MCF** — that each child will experience the love and protection of Christ, have the opportunity to grow, discover their God-given calling, and become all that God has prepared them to be. May Clyde's story remind us that one rescued child can become a blessing to many others.

One child. One life. One calling. One transformed future.



PRAYER POINT TWO

EXAM SEASON: PRAYING FOR OUR CANDIDATES

Wisdom, peace, health and grace for every child and young person sitting national examinations this term.



EXAM SEASON *Heads down, pencils ready — MCF learners at work in the classroom.*

EXAM SEASON HAS ARRIVED. Over the next three months, many of the children and young people at Mully Children's Family will sit their national examinations — learners in Grade 3, Grade 6, Grade 10 and Grade 12, as well as youths from Mully College.

1,315
CANDIDATES

684
GIRLS

631
BOYS

Grade 3 · Grade 6 · Grade 10 · Grade 12 · Mully College

Behind every number is a child or young person who has worked hard, faced challenges, grown in confidence, and now stands at an important step in their educational journey. We thank God for each one, and for the opportunity they have been given to learn, develop their gifts and prepare for their future.



Steady hands, sharp minds: a chemistry practical in the MCF science lab.

◆ FOCUS FOR THE FINAL STRETCH

As the examinations draw near, we invite you to pray that each candidate will approach their studies with **discipline, commitment and confidence**.

May God help them recall what they have learned, understand each question clearly, manage their time wisely, and remain calm and focused in every paper.

◆ STRENGTH FOR BODY AND MIND

We pray for **divine health and strength** for every candidate throughout the examination period. May God protect them from illness, fatigue and anything that could interfere with their preparation or their ability to sit their papers. May they remain strong — physically, emotionally and mentally — from the first examination to the last.

◆ FOR THOSE WHO STAND BEHIND THEM

No candidate arrives at this moment alone. We pray for the MCF **teachers, caretakers, and mentors** who have invested so much in preparing them.

May God renew their strength, give them wisdom, and help them keep encouraging and supporting every beneficiary through this important season.



Behind every candidate stands a teacher who believes in them.

◆ MORE THAN A GRADE

Above all, we pray that each candidate will walk into the examination room with **peace, confidence, and a sound mind**, trusting God for wisdom and understanding. May the Lord guide them through every paper and give them favour as they do their very best.

And may they hold on to this: **their examination results do not define who they are or determine the fullness of their future.**



More than a grade: room to play, to laugh, and simply to be a child.

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*“Their identity and worth come
from God.”*

**The result is a moment. A child is a lifetime of
God’s purpose.**

May our children and youth do their part faithfully, while trusting Him with the outcome — and with the path He has prepared for each of their lives.

◆ SCRIPTURE FOR REFLECTION

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.”

— 2 Timothy 1:7 (NKJV)

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“For the LORD gives [skillful and godly] wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding.”

— Proverbs 2:6 (AMP)

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“Beloved friend, I pray that everything about you prospers and that you continually enjoy good health, just as your soul prospers.”

— 3 John 1:2 (TPT)

✦ PLEASE PRAY WITH US

Please pray with us for:

- ▶ **Every candidate** — that God will give them discipline and focus as they revise, help them remember what they have learned, and give them wisdom, peace, confidence, divine health and strength throughout the examination period.
- ▶ **Teachers, caretakers and mentors** — that God will strengthen and encourage those who have prepared our candidates, giving them wisdom, patience and grace as they continue to support them through this important season.
- ▶ **The future of every child and young person** — that no examination result will define their identity or limit their future. May they trust God with their results and continue to discover and walk in the gifts, purpose and calling He has placed within each of their lives.

Thank you for standing with us in prayer.

Mully Children's Family