



# WORD FROM THE FOUNDER

THE OLD HAS GONE, THE NEW IS HERE! 2 COR. 5:17

*What a wonderful day! Several hundred Kenyans gathered in October for the 20th anniversary of ELI Kenya. One after another, people shared about how their lives have been made new.*



*Perris, a brewer, shouted, "I'm changed! I was once one of the killers in my village, brewing and selling illegal alcohol, but because of the Empowering Lives training that led me to Christ, I have totally changed. People in my village now call me 'New Perris'."*

*Ruth, an outlaw in her community, was directly impacted by Perris and left brewing last year. With the help of God, Ruth has stood strong in her new business of selling vegetables and soap, and was recently appointed as an Elder in her village. From criminal to village leader. The old has gone, the new is here!*

*Joyce, an orphan, grew up in the ELI Children's Home. Once without hope, she is now a young adult moving toward a degree in nursing and a pathway to helping others. The new is here!*

*Our combined influence and the life-giving Spirit of God reaches deeper and further than we can see or imagine. Your prayers and investments help fuel the new life you read about. Real lives, real change, and new hope for sustainable futures among the poor.*

*Thank you again for your part in empowering lives. May this season of giving inspire you to reach others in caring ways that honor God. Have a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

*Empowering lives together,*

Don Rogers  
Founder / International Director

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