

WAGAKI ESTHER MBUGUA TRANSFORMATIONAL JOURNEY

AFTER LEAVING VGGGS

After leaving Vanessa Grant Girls School in 2012, I qualified for Bachelor of Commerce in Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology in Kakamega County. I studied the course for four years together with CPA (Certified Public Accountant) which is a professional course for accountants in Kenya. I did CPA to completion and last year I registered as an Associate Member of ICPAK which is a professional body that regulates the accounting profession in Kenya. Upon completion of 3 years working as an accountant, I will acquire full membership into the body.

JOINING VGGGS FINANCE OFFICE

After successful completion of Bachelor of Commerce- Finance and CPA(K), I graduated in 2017 and joined VGGGS as an intern in the same year. I did my internship which went so well and successful as guided by my colleagues in VGGGS Finance office and was formally employed in 2018. Working in VGGGS has been fulfilling as I am proud of my achievements since I joined VGGGS for the first time as the first student to be admitted in the school in 2010. I have been reflecting on the journey and all I can do is to thank God and those who have supported me financially, morally and academically. Were it not for them I could not be the person I am today. I am a happy Alumni as VGGGS produces the best out of the girls who join the school. I am also taking part in mentoring the girls to help them believe in themselves and work towards being the best of the best in what they want to be.

ACHIEVEMENTS

The proceeds from VGGGS have been helpful to me and my family. I have been able to make some of my siblings smile by getting them to good schools.

I have supported my sister called Teresiah who has been studying Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology at the Kenya Medical Training College for three years and will be graduating in December this year.

I have helped my 22 year old brother called John get trained on how to repair Motor bikes by paying a garage owner to train him since that is what his wish has been since he finished class 8. He did not join secondary school due to lack of school fees. He is currently doing personal development projects at home and his life is way much better as he gets income from the skill he acquired.

I also assisted my 20 year old sister called Mary join a boarding school in Form 2. She was in a day school and saw it better for her to be in a better school for better performance. She is currently in form 4 awaiting her exams at the end of this academic calendar.

I have also assisted my other 2 brothers Kevin and Isaac through primary school. Their performance was wanting and I had to get private schools for them. Kevin did his KCPE last year and did very well where he got himself 363 marks and joined Upper Hill School –Nairobi. Due to financial constraints, I had to look for a scholarship for Kevin. Fortunately he was awarded an EFAC Scholarship and this made the burden lighter for me.

Isaac is in class 7 and is performing way much better. I have dedicated myself to help my siblings get quality education to bring the best out of them. My parent's income is low and cannot cater for all these needs. We have worked hand in hand with them to make my siblings comfortable to give good results and bring out the best out of these young boys and girls. They will be great men and women in the future who will appreciate where they have come from and help others cross the bridge.

FAMILY

I have been staying with my siblings during holidays and this has strengthened our bond as brothers and sisters. My parents live in Uasin Gishu County where they do subsistence farming.

I have a fiancé with whom we were blessed with a baby boy on 19th September 2019 called Carson. He is a happy young star who is a source of joy to my young family. My fiancé is called Peter whom we schooled together back in the university where he was studying Bachelors of Science in Biotechnology. He is currently employed as An Applications Specialist in a private company in Nairobi.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

VGGS offers a conducive working environment that allows further studies. I am planning to utilize this opportunity by enrolling for Masters in Finance in 2021 at Kenyatta University Nakuru campus. This will sharpen my finance skills and knowledge towards being a more productive employee for the school.

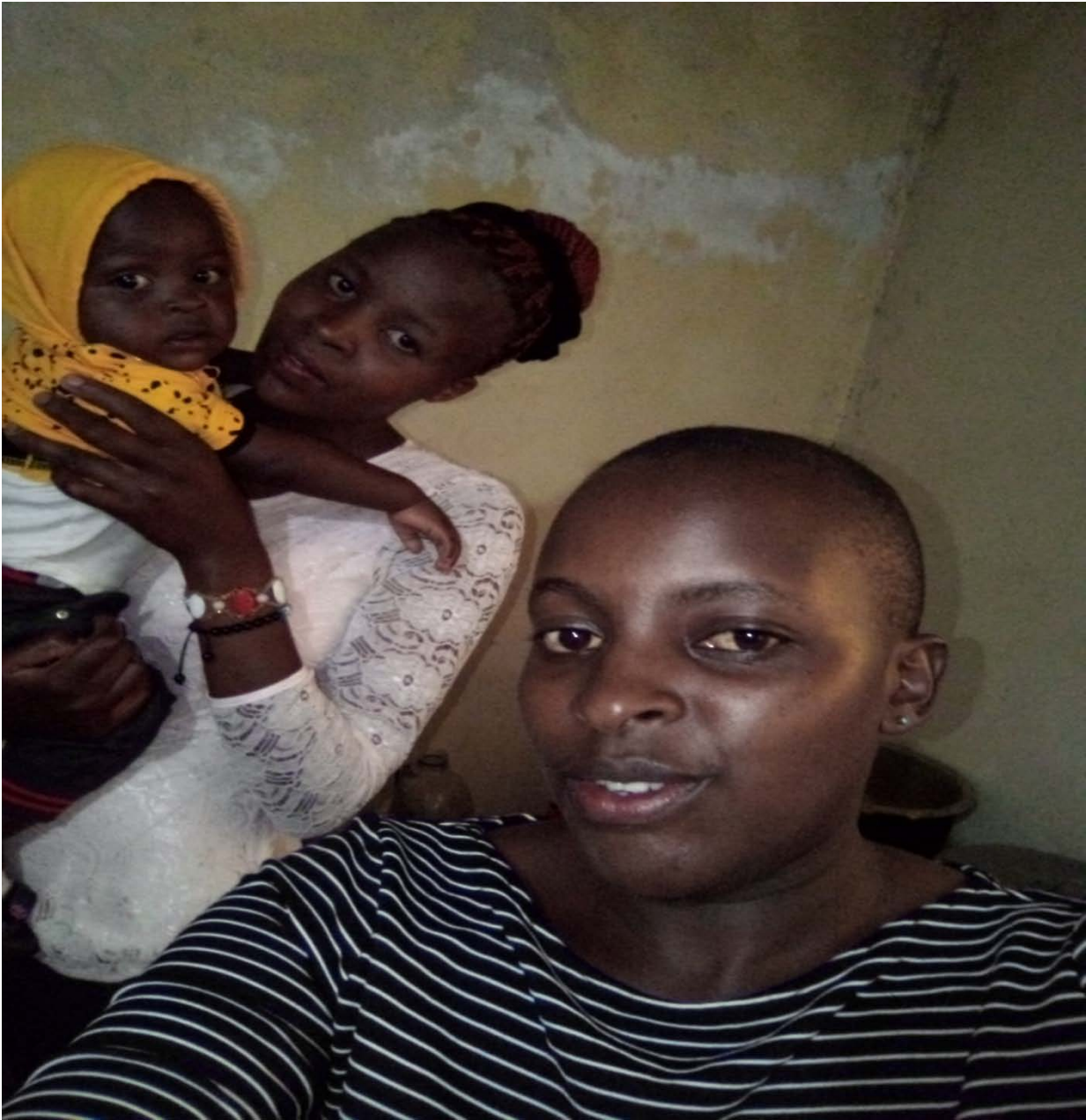
PHOTOS

Here are some photos of us:

With Peter



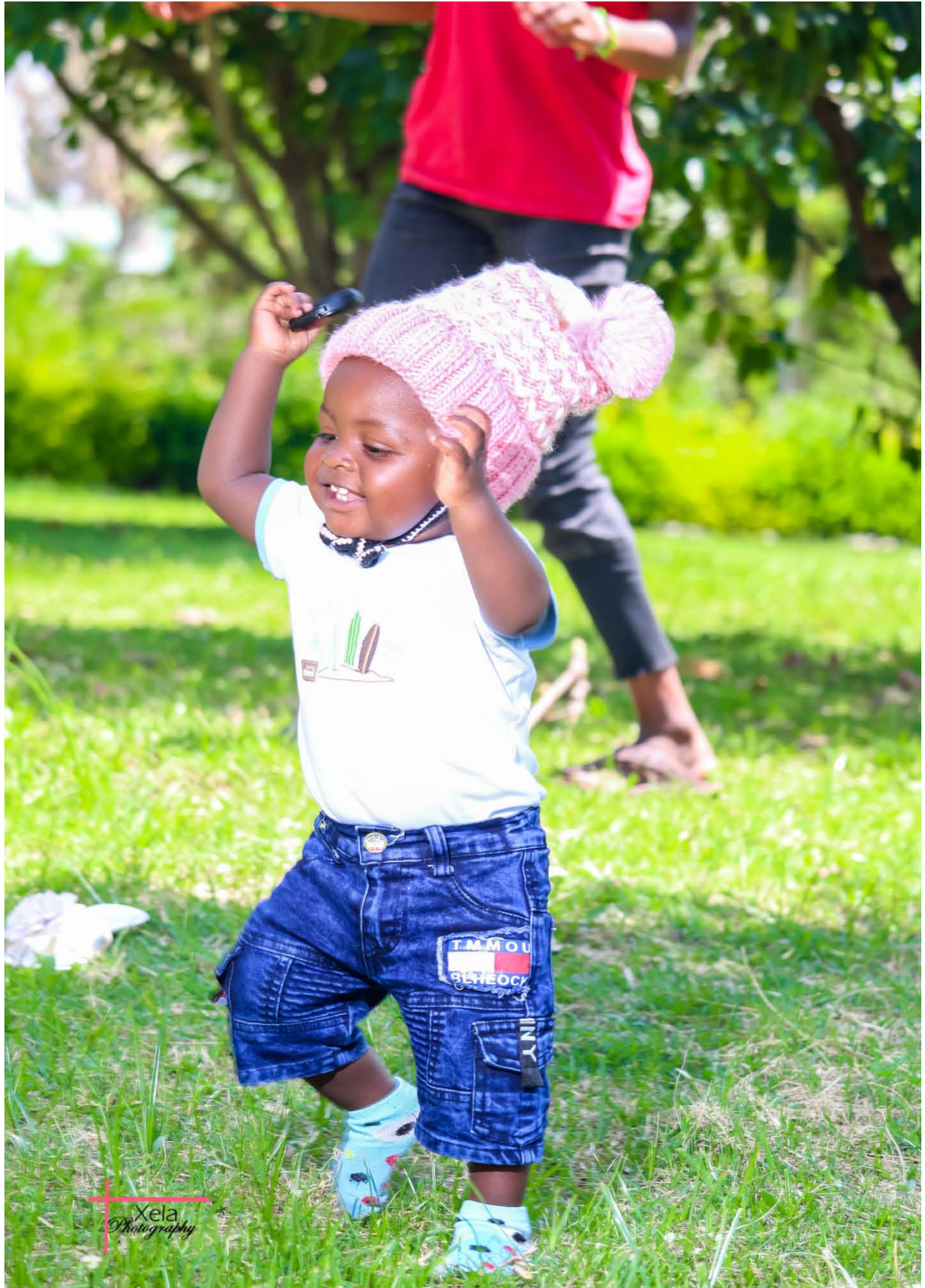
With My sister Mary and my son Carson



With my son Carson



The next page is a photo of my son.



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With Peter my Fiancé



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