#### **KEIBARAK**



## Boaz Keibarak

KENYA

#### **LANGUAGES**

English Swahili Pokot Turkana Kalenjin

# MINISTRY PRIORITIES

Evangelism,
Discipleship,
Peace and Justice

### **BIRTHDAY**

7/8







### ABOUT

BOAZ serves in Kenya through the Kingdom of Peace and Development (KOPAD) organization, promoting ministries of evangelism, discipleship, and conflict transformation. KOPAD's foundation for this ministry is based on Ephesians 2:14: "For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews

and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us" (NLT). Boaz has been engaged in peace-building activities for over a decade. He provides conflict transformation training, mediation, and reconciliation among the rural communities throughout eastern Kenya along the border of western Uganda. Boaz serves with IM as an international associate global servant.



Boaz leads a peace-building radio broadcast.



Northwest Kenya is a region that is characterized by its severe, arid climate and its history of conflict. The conflict exists between local farmers and the herdsmen who live and roam the area: they fight over cattle and other scarce resources. In this context, cattle are an agricultural and social foundation; they represent food, status, and authority. The herdsmen follow their cattle, crossing and re-crossing international borders. In doing so, their cattle often eat and destroy local crops—leaving farmers and local communities destitute. As cattle are brokered and stolen (often times through organized crime networks) many people are injured and killed.

The Kingdom of Peace and Development ministry works to de-escalate this conflict through a radio broadcast program; we use biblical principles of conflict resolution and peace-building to help participants understand how to create nonviolent solutions to their problems. The gospel is

shared in natural ways through the radio program and its lessons. The program has been tremendously successful, far beyond that which we initially hoped! People in the communities of the North Rift Valley have the place to voice their concerns and generate solutions to the situations that trigger conflict. The interactive format (call in, question and answer, etc.) allows everyone to be heard, ask questions, and make a contribution.

Thank you for your support for my ministry that is helping to transform lives one day at a time through this radio broadcast about the Prince of Peace!

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Pray for all of KOPAD's peacebuilding activities—especially the radio broadcast and the "Training of Conflict Transformation Trainers."

Pray for reconciliation between the Marakwet and Pokot tribes.

Please pray that I can secure a new vehicle to use for ministry. I have been using a motorcycle which is all right for short distances but is more difficult on lengthy journeys (up to eight hours), especially in the rain.

Pray for protection and health as we press forward in ministry in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **SCRIPTURE**

"The highest heavens belong to the LORD, but the earth God has given to mankind."

Psalm 115:16 (NIV)

