



**FOCUS**  
 ECONOMIC, SOCIAL  
 & SPIRITUAL

**LOCATION**  
 NAIROBI, KENYA

**LEADER**  
 GABRIEL & GRACE  
 ABANG'A

**OUR MINIMUM  
 ANNUAL TARGET**  
 £2500

This church based Entrepreneurship Development scheme is situated in the Lucky Summer Slum about 6km from Nairobi city centre. The project was initiated by the pastor and his wife to help improve the living status of the members of the church who are mostly very poor. The main objective is to help church members better their lives and provide them with an improved family/household livelihood so that they can be able to take care of the basic daily needs of themselves and their families. This micro loan programme involves around 60 people and is based round groups of five people who are responsible to each other for the repayment of their loans. One of the groups operates in Nyanza. Those who qualify to become members of the co-operative will be lent a sum of money to enable them to engage in some profit earning activity. They will require to have their plan agreed by those who are managing the project before qualifying to receive a loan. This loan will be paid back over an agreed period. One lady in the scheme who was a school teacher but very artistic moved to making products full time and has exported some of her creations to four different countries. It is remarkable how even a little can become a lot with vision and hard work.

The leaders of the project are Gabriel and Grace Abang'a. Gabriel is a university lecturer as well as the pastor of the church in which this project is based. Grace worked for many years with an NGO in Nairobi, operating in the Mathare slum and is therefore very experienced in this whole area. As well as their ministry in Nairobi, Gabriel and Grace retain a strong interest in their home area within the Nyanza province.

