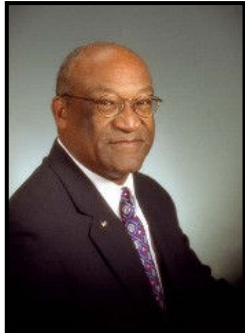




*"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything but I can do something, and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something that I can." - Helen Keller*

## *THE Pacific Northwest District KIWANIS / AFRICAN PARTNERSHIP*



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A Kiwanian sent me this quote when I was a candidate for International Trustee in 2005. It touched my heart so much that I used it on my campaign materials, in my speech, and on my e-mail signature. When taken with our International marketing theme of "One Can Make A Difference", it is not surprising why so many PNW Kiwanians stand up to make a difference. This is especially true in our International programs that so many of our clubs participate in.

The challenges for the clubs in Africa are much like our own clubs. However, they have no Lt. Governor, District Office, or even a Governor to call when they have a problem or need help. Since the International Global Staff was recently reorganized and priorities for growth were placed in other areas, there is no staff or support for the dozen or so clubs in Africa. But they have us -- concerned Kiwanians and clubs in the PNW.

When I heard from one of the Kiwanians in Kisumu, Kenya, whose group endured a 13-hour bus trip to the Mombasa, Kenya for a new club charter, it inspired me. Without very much help, in the spirit of it all these Kiwanians are responding to the needs of

their communities. As a result of their efforts, the spirit of service has spread to new communities and three new clubs have been built since 2005. We have two clubs seeking partners and your response has been great. I would like to see us maybe adopt the Division approach that Division 18 has done with Rachele's Club in Kyushu.

No, we cannot cure all the ills of the world. No, we cannot even address most of them. But, I am proud to be associated with an organization and a group of people who say, "I will not refuse to do something that I can."

Some people look at a big problem and become so overwhelmed that they refuse to do anything. Fortunately, Kiwanians are not like that. Thanks PNW Kiwanians.



**Kiwanis Club of Mombasa celebrate their charter.**

*This is the third club to be chartered in Kenya. Both Kiwanis Kisumu and Kiwanis Nairobi sent representatives to the function*