# Turning Hard Work into Hope Every Day: Margaret’s Story | 100-word version

Margaret and her children live in challenging conditions in Nyeri, Kenya. Margaret struggled to meet her family’s basic needs before she received a micro-loan from a lending program called Jamii Imara (pronounced *Jam-ee EE-mara*), which your Mission & Service gifts support.

Margaret applied for a loan and purchased a home to rent out. With the rental income, she paid back the loan and then applied for others. She now owns two rental homes and is a proud landlord. The income is helping Margaret feed and educate her family. “I have progressed a lot. I am no longer the way I was before,” she says.

Supporting women like Margaret who are determined to change their lives is just one of the ways you are helping to turn hard work into hope every day. Make your Mission & Service gift today to help transform lives.