

**e - News 15/9/13 GROW BIOINTENSIVE AGRICULTURE CENTRE, Kenya
(G-BIACK)**

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PASSING ON THE AGRICULTURAL MANTLE TO THE YOUNGER GENERATION



G-BIACK teaches organic agriculture to children in schools.

Kenyan children grow up believing that agriculture is only for the elders or for people who fail to acquire "real" jobs and are impoverished. They think that agricultural jobs are not to be respected. In Kenyan schools if a child makes mistakes, they are given agricultural activity to work on as a punishment and therefore children grow up hating agriculture.

Agriculture is thought of as commercial, for the purpose of cash profit only. Organic farming is not used nor taught. Children therefore grow up to believe that chemical agriculture is the only practice that can produce food.

The GROW BIOINTENSIVE Agriculture Centre of Kenya (G-BIACK) has taken on a mission to change these perceptions and teach the youth, starting with children in primary schools, then high schools and later among the youths that have either dropped out of school or have graduated from higher school levels, i.e. high school, tertiary colleges and universities. G-BIACK offers the GROW BIOINTENSIVE mini farming techniques as an alternative to chemical farming that has been used in the country for such a long time that the youth have never seen anything different. We are working with clubs in schools, e.g. 4k clubs, environmental clubs and scout clubs, and assist them to create gardens and tree nurseries so that the students have a place to practice the methods that we teach them.

If you would like to help this programme with any amount of support, please see the information below

Please visit us! We are located 10km east of Thika town along the Thika – Garissa Rd (highway A3)

Or visit our web site: www.g-biack.org

Donations of any amount help us to reach out to vulnerable families. Checks payable to Kilili Self Help Project and designated for G-BIACK may be mailed to 260 Marion Avenue, Mill Valley CA 94941 USA. Donations are tax deductible and 100% of the donated amount will be sent to G-BIACK for our programmes.

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