## THE IMPORTANCE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TODAY.

I am Sr. Angeline Khati Sakwa from the institute of the Assumption Sisters of Nairobi (ASN). I am privileged to be among the sisters who secured a scholarship from African Sisters Education Collaborative (ASEC) for the year 2021. ASEC educates sisters improving their ability to serve in different communities thus creating hope for a bright future for me and for more others in the Catholic Church.

It is a blessing to me as an individual and also to my congregation too. I am overwhelmed with joy because I have been looking for an opportunity to pursue my studies to higher levels since I had only attained a Form Four certificate a decade ago. God is so gracious to me for many of the religious women had applied for this scholarship course study but they did not get a chance. I will praise Him always for I am among the chosen ones. I have always desired to become a teacher in my entire life for I have passion in teaching.

Through ASEC I now own a laptop. I have never dreamt of owning a laptop at this particular moment of my life. This will actually ease my learning for I will use it for zoom meeting classes. I will be in a position to do my assignments, do my research works and do some online submissions. This is pretty good for me. I had little knowledge on how to operate the computer however through the IT person who was brought on board by ASEC did proper orientation on how to use programs on the laptop and how to use internet to browse and also on how to use Microsoft Word and Excel. It was a great orientation I must say for I really benefited. It is a plus for me.

This scholarship that I have received to pursue my Education in Arts will make me to be a strong role model for other young sisters or women who may have lost hope and interest in pursuing in their Education. I will use this golden opportunity to improve on my study habits in order to acquire more knowledge that I need while learning; to do and submit all of my assignments on time. If it means to do it

at breaks of my works, I will sacrifice for that, lastly to prepare well for all my examinations. If I have hope and faith in God that all shall go well until I finish my course, this will help me to shape thousands of lives in the near future for I feel my skills will improve substantially by imparting knowledge to those in need.

It is my prayer that ASEC will continue offering scholarships to sisters because this will help me and others to become better citizens and better religious women in the society. This education will help me demonstrate the importance of hard work and at the same time, it will help me to grow and develop in different ways thus being able to shape a better society by giving back to the society the knowledge that I am yet to receive.

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