

March 2024

Hi friends!

Warm greetings from Uganda.

We are super excited that we can have the Sanctuary Fellowship bringing a small team over in May of this year, it's coming soon. Pastor Joe himself is finally coming with a small team of four on this trip. Isn't that amazing??!!!!

It will be great to have a team come over after many years. We hope we can have a great in person interaction like it was when all the other teams used to come. It always made the work here more lively and enriched our relationships, plus it got many practical projects going that are still in place even now. The team will do a wide number of projects that include painting, making desks, do a one day medical outreach, do sponsorship films and interviews and also get to share the gospel.

As for my family; Emman has now completed part of his graphics training. He's home for a few months as we plan to get him to do the second part so he can be ready to hit the enterprise world. Tinah is doing her secondary final year before she can join university. She hopes she can do something with medicine or caring for people.

Leasa is in her third year in secondary. She's been struggling with her health. She's been in and out of school. Recently she was put on some treatment to treat what doctors saw as minor juvenile arthritis.

Dorcas is still on treatment for Hyperthyroidism. She still struggles with a number of conditions that include breathing, general body pains and tiredness and she still has not gained her appetite for food.

The ministry is on going. We have now 7 pastors we are leading. It's a challenge but we know that the only way to bring the gospel to communities is by planting churches. So with 8 churches now the work is growing and needing more hands and minds to keep it going the right direction. We have enrolled 6 pastors in Teleo Christian University for training. This training takes 3 years and we hope that by the end of the three years they'll have a great handle on church leadership and growth.

They'll also be credible in the communities where they serve.

The schools have continued to perform well. Our last national exams were awesome. Our kids were the best at our examining center. We had six first grades and the rest were in second grade. Praise to God.

Continue to pray for us as we pray for you. Particularly pray for God to grant us resources to buy land next to the school. The owners have now agreed to sale it to the school and so we are believing God for \$9000 to buy it. It's a little over an acre and that will really help us to plan well for games and other cocurricukar activities that include food production.

Greetings to all our family on that side of the world.

James

January 2024

Greetings from Uganda.

I am thrilled to see a new term for 2024. As a ministry we've just concluded our 21 days of prayer and fasting just in time to start off 1st term of 2024. I understand there are a few profiles that were not sent that was mainly due to the fact that some of the pupils had traveled away from the local area and would return during the school term. We hope to send in all the remaining profiles at the close of the week. We have also just had a meeting with some of the troubled pupils mainly those that were missing classes and performing poorly in class and the school together with the guardians have had some real disciplinary issues to talk through. A few of the parents and their kids did not seem to agree with our standard of operation and requirements and have been given two days to think through before they can come back to us with their decision. Some of the issues have to do with the fact that a number of pupils in this category had failed to perform to the school standards and have been asked to repeat classes to which they and their parents are opposed. We also have talked through issues of absenteeism and indiscipline.

We may come to a conclusion that some may not continue with us in the school and program if they refuse to keep the standards.

In the meantime, schools have kicked off steadily, the attendances are growing and we hope that by the end of the week all registered pupils will be in their respective classes.

We are still enjoying the blessing of rain even though this is supposed to be our dry season.

We continue to pray for our sponsors and even the plans of the team coming this spring.

Blessings,  
James

Hallo!

We have had a rainy end of year. It has rained almost every other day for the last two months. We thank God for the rain water as it helps with growing vegetables which are a major source of food nutrients and affordable in many families. The schools have now come to an end and teachers are writing their final reports before they end head to be with their families for Christmas.

Yesterday we had a meeting with guardians and parents of sponsored children evaluating the sponsorship program. It was great to hear great testimonies of how the families have been helped. Some parents shared how the support has revitalised their hopes and given them a challenge to work for a better life. Some families received Jesus Christ as their Lord and saviour through contact with the program and are now serving God.



Guadiana and parents who attended the meeting!

We have been blessed with a donation that has made it possible for us to plan a meal for the church children together with the sponsored children. It will be on Monday 18th December at our church. The children's party will have some time of worship, presentations from some children, and a movie. It will start at lunch time with a meal for all the children. We hope to have about 150 kids.

On Friday 22nd December we are going to buy a meal for each sponsored family. We'll have a brief chat with all the sponsored children and then send each one home with a meal for their family. We thank God for the provision and the generous family that has blessed us with such a great opportunity. We continue to pray for the families of sponsored children, there are some who haven't come to the true knowledge of God's word.



Some of the sponsored students

This year we've had 10 learners graduated from the sponsorship program.

1. Kigundu Ivan G4
2. Kigundu Rogers D2
3. Yiga Shadack G5
4. Kiiza Sandra A3
5. Nabirye Lynnette A15
6. Namukose Jemimah A25
7. Amelie Shalimar C 15
8. Elisha Mwesigwa A22
9. Otim Ricky E4
10. Nakiryowa Florence

We thank all sponsors who have been an encouragement and support to those who have graduated. We also continue to pray for the sponsors who are continuing or joining the program. Your support is making a real difference in the lives of the sponsored kids and their families.

I am hoping to send you some more updates this Saturday including our confirmed list of sponsored for 2024.

Thanks so much for the love and support.

Blessings,  
James