



JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2024



Head of Primary – Jamil



Dr Ezra



Some children with gifts donated

Dear Sponsors and Supporters

We are pleased to report that two of our staff have now passed their exams. Dr Ezra has gained a Bachelors Degree. As well as working with us, he still helps out in one of the Hospitals in Kampala, and he was chosen to be on the nursing team to receive patients from theatre after having a Kidney Transplant. We are so grateful to Dr Ezra for the time he gives to us in the village. There will not be many Doctors in Uganda who help out in such a capacity.

Our Head Teacher for the Primary School, Jamil has now received his Diploma in Primary Education and is now going on to do a Bachelors Degree. We are so blessed because our staff always want to learn more so they can give of their best to the children.

Elizabeth Lansdowne had another very busy schedule on her visit to Uganda, sometimes having to deal with very difficult circumstances with the children and their parents/guardians, she will give her report which I trust will encourage you all to continue to help us again as we go into the last half of the year. We especially need more donations of glasses to help the old Jajjas, you will read a message from one of the patients who received glasses and has made such a big difference to his life.

You will remember Mathias the boy who sadly went blind because his mother had given him some of their tribal medicines, he is doing very well and Elizabeth was pleased to visit him and see the great progress he had made learning and writing Braille.

Thank you again for your continued support and Sponsorship to our Children, but as always there are more children urgently needing your love and care, like the 4 girls that were rescued when Liz visited their village while she was checking on another one of our children who had been taken away from school.

Blessings to you all. Trustees and Staff in UK and Uganda.

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REPORT FROM AUNTIE LIZ

It was another interesting and difficult at times visit to the village. Every time I go, there is always something different to experience

As always, I was greeted by lots of happy, smiling faces which makes a great start to any visit, and of course the beautiful Ugandan sunshine.

I was soon into sorting out donations of clothes and a few shop orders I had been sent for children from their sponsors. Sadly, many children asked if I had a gift from their sponsor and it is hard to tell them no. I would please encourage you all to please think about the needs of your sponsored child/children. They rely on you for the items they need for each term and would please ask you to help them.

As a School, we are duty bound to care for all the children and would ask you as a sponsor to consider the needs of the children you support.

With Uncle Grace and Head teacher Jamil, I went to visit Mathias at his new school for the blind and he is doing so well. The Head teacher of the school brought Mathias to us in his office where Mathias demonstrated how he uses a board with holes in to write his name in braille. He also read to us from his books. It was amazing how in the short time he has been there, how well he has progressed. Mathias is very happy at this new school and has made many friends. It is a mixed school so the children with sight, help to guide the others around.

Thanks to the generosity of his sponsor, we were able to take Mathias his boarding requirements plus some extra goodies of biscuits, sweets and juice which he was so happy to receive.

We were called upon to try and bring back one of our pupils who had been taken by his Father. We had found out that the boy was not in School as he should be and was missing out on valuable education.

On arrival to his village, we first had to discuss the matter with the Village Leader as this is the way it's done in Uganda. We were taken by him to the home of the Father. The little boy when he saw us came running up and hugged us all and was so happy to see us there at his home. He was closely followed by 8 girls who were all dressed in rags and dirty. Uncle Grace spoke with them and they told us their names and ages. None of them were in school. It was heartbreaking to see the state of these dear children.

As the father arrived, there was a lot of shouting and arguing about the boy and sadly at one point it looked like it was going to get violent so we got back in the car and drove back to the Village Leaders home again. The father followed and the Leader managed to calm him down so we could sit and talk properly. After about an hour of discussions, the father finally agreed to let us take the boy back to school. Then we moved on to the matter of the girls. We were all touched by them and couldn't leave them in this state. We asked the father if we could take 4 of them to school with us to which thankfully he agreed but only if he could come with us. So we all squashed in the car and headed back to school.

As we arrived back to school, the Father couldn't believe his eyes as he wasn't expecting our school to look so good. He broke down in tears and thanked us all for what we had done for his children. He even walked to the local shop and came back with underwear and sweets for his children.

The following day, the father called Uncle Grace to thank us again for what we had done to help his children.

All of the 5 children came with just the clothes they were standing up in so I had to supply mattresses, sheets, blankets, clothes, School uniforms, shoes and all school requirements for all of them. The children were given tests to decide which class they should go in to and they all settled in very quickly and made friends with their classmates.

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I am now looking for sponsors for the 4 girls so if you are touched by their story then please contact me in the office for more details.

The Jajja George Health Centre was moving on well when I was there. They had received some patients for various problems. Sadly one of our regular Jajjas who comes had fallen and damaged her hip, but she was being treated well by our staff.

The lady who works in our school kitchen delivered a healthy baby girl and there were many still attending ante natal classes.

Our Optahamologist, Salim, was in attendance on the Tuesday. He has many patients always wanting to have their eyes tested including our staff and pupils. This has proven a very valuable asset to our Health Centre so now Salim is coming every other Tuesday.

Salim had one man from a nearby village who came for testing. He was explaining how he was struggling to see to cut his nails and to read his newspaper. He was tested and found to be near sighted so Salim was able to provide him with glasses to correct his problem. The man was so happy and thanked everyone for this opportunity to see well again.

If anyone has any glasses they do not use, then please send them to the office and they will be taken over for use in the clinic.

I would like to do one more shipment to get all the goods I have stored in my house over to Uganda. Sadly the cost has become high and we have had to stop sending this way. I take 6 cases when I go each visit and thankfully some of the sponsors help to cover costs but it is going to take me a very long time to take all these items over and would love to get them shipped.

I can get everything packed up, collected and delivered to the shippers for around £2,500.00. I am appealing for any donations and help towards this please. The goods are no use sitting here when they are needed out in Uganda so please help to make this possible.

I am happy to report that our new look website is now up and running with new items being added all the time.

Please take time to look at it and you will see photos, videos, details for sponsorship, updates and also see a complete list of shop items available to buy for your sponsored child. Please visit africawithlove.co.uk

If any sponsors/supporters who have not yet received their Newsletters via email and wish to do so, then please inform me and I can add you to the mailing list. It really does help to cut costs this way.

When I was in Uganda, I updated all the sponsor list and checked on all the children. You will find the updated information and photo of your child attached to your newsletter.

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I would like to make a donation to the following; My Sponsor Number is

SHOP ORDER FOR CHILDREN £.....

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MEDICINES FOR JAJJA GEORGE HEALTH CENTRE – £.....

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