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Meet Brenda Bisatu

We wanted to share more about the ACT schools with you, our valued sponsors and faithful supporters, so we interviewed one of the teachers at the High School ... and here is what we learned.



Brenda Bisatu grew up in eastern Uganda, and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, Chemistry and Mathematics from Kyambogo University. Currently, Brenda is teaching Mathematics and Chemistry to 212 students a day at the ACT High School in Rakai. She is one of 25 teachers (11 Support Staff) at the High School, and there are another 47 teachers (20 Support Staff) at the ACT Junior (elementary) School.

Brenda is honored and excited to be teaching STEM classes (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) at the ACT high School. When asked why it's important to emphasize STEM courses, she said "STEM subjects give children the opportunity to acquire practical skills which are crucial in today's life. Students are able to quickly think and come up with possible solutions to solve day-to-day problems."



One of Brenda's favorite parts of teaching at the ACT High School is that her classes have as many girls as boys, and actually some classes have more girls than boys. Specifically regarding the STEM classes, Brenda said, "There are more girls doing STEM subjects at ACT High School than in any high school I know of." She related that in her high school a few years ago, only 7 of the 45 children did STEM subjects.

And she enthusiastically added, "The focus on STEM subjects at ACT High School will give both girls and boys the same career opportunities. I have no doubt Rakai and Uganda will have more female doctors and engineers. ACT High School is promoting gender equality in professions related to STEM subjects, which is something new in

Another favorite part of teaching for Brenda is the "character development" of students. She sincerely shared, "I love the focus of the entire team on both academic excellence and character values, which make our students hardworking and disciplined. I think we have the most well-behaved teens in the entire world!"



Meet Joshua



Meet Joshua. He is 5 years old and living with his six siblings and their elderly grandmother. Both of Joshua's parents died from HIV/AIDs. Grandmother is not in good health and struggles to meet the basic needs of the children. Sponsorship would mean Joshua could go to school and would give hope to the entire family.

Please share your sponsorship story with others! And in doing so, if you come across someone who might be interested in sponsoring a child, let us know. Remember 100% of every dollar donated goes to the benefit of the child. We withhold no overhead or administrative costs. We can change the future of Rakai, one child at a time.

Join us on a trip to Rakai

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to meet your sponsored child? Or try your hand at weaving a basket with the Hope Again Women? Then consider joining us on a trip to Uganda and Kenya from October 23 to November 3, 2023. We will spend 5 days visiting the ACT schools and businesses, as well as families whose lives have been changed by ACT and those who are living in extreme poverty. Then we will fly to Nairobi and go on a three-day safari in the Masai Mara area of Kenya, flying home on November 2. The total cost will be somewhere around \$4,800 per person. Send an email to ann@africanchildrentoday.org for more information.



Thank you for your generosity

Thank you for your generosity! The year-end matching challenge was met and we raised enough funds to build 4 new dormitories: 2 at the ACT Junior School and 2 at the ACT High School. Currently, the existing dormitories are near capacity. Your support will mean that 400 children will now be able to join the ACT schools.

We are raising funds to equip the schools for the additional students. A donation of \$300 will provide a student with a bed and bedding, mosquito net, a desk, chair and needed textbooks. Your donation will continue to give into the future as new students enter the schools.

