



The Mityana Charity



Registered charity no. [1064825](#)

**A small Christian charity working with the people of
Mityana Diocese in Uganda, East Africa.**



“We aim to give hope to the people of Mityana, so that their lives will improve through our education sponsorship scheme, building and self-help projects, health care initiatives and the training of clergy in the Mityana Diocese”

**AGM on Thursday, 19th May 2011
Annual Report 2010/2011**

Mityana Charity Committee Members

UK Committee Members 2010-2011

<u>Name</u>	<u>Role</u>
Jean Ajin	Chair / Sponsorship
Sarah Birch	Secretary
Janice Knox	Treasurer
Jo Riddaway	Sponsorship
Ann Potts	New Life Projects / Mission
Nigel Birch	Publicity
Colin Rouse	St Sebastian's school link to Mityana Orphanage
Roger Holdsworth	St Sebastian's Rep
Debbie Harris	St Sebastian's Youth Rep
Helen Thompson	Youth support/Fundraising
Helen Chang	Fundraising
Rev. Derek Burden	Patron

Ugandan Committee Members 2010-2011

<u>Name</u>	<u>Role</u>
Canon John Musaasizi	Director & Chair
Mrs Grace Musaasizi	Sponsorship Secretary
Canon Benon Ssemmambo	Chaplain of ACU & Director
Mrs Kassalina Kibuuka	Treasurer
Canon Jethro Sebuline	Minute Secretary/Nabukenya School
Mr Stephen Bagunywa	Committee member
Rev Moses Ssemugooma	Health and Visits
Mr Herbert Katende	Farm Manager
Mr Peter Balukaake	Orphanage
Canon Michael Lubowa	Costing and Accounting assistant, New Life Projects
Mr John Ssessanga	Committee member
Mr Godfrey Kasule	Committee member
Ann Potts	Director & UK representative

Charity Objectives (revised May 2010)

The aims of the Mityana Charity are:

- 1) advancement of education
- 2) relief of poverty
- 3) relief of sickness
- 4) advancement of the Christian religion
- 5) promotion of sustainable development in the area of Mityana (Kibogo and Mubende) Uganda

[Sustainable development means “development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”]

Chair's Report

Each year passes with our projects growing and new ones developing. Little did I realise, back in 1996 when I started the sponsorship scheme, with 6 children being sponsored, how this would all develop and touch so many lives in Mityana.

Ann Potts visited Mityana for 6 weeks, at the beginning of this year, and monitored the projects whilst she was there. We have also found that we needed a paid project coordinator in Mityana, and after having over 200 applicants, Ann and the directors appointed Sam Muhumuza. He is from Fort Portal on the west side of Uganda. He has a wealth of experience in managing projects and we are sure that we will be able to progress at a quicker pace now.

The three Directors of the Mityana (Uganda) Charity Ltd are appointed by the U.K. Charity and these are John Musaasizi, Benon Semmambo and Ann Potts. Ann attended the 2nd AGM of the Mityana (Uganda) Charity in February. Peter Balukaake, who had previously only attended meetings to represent the Orphanage, has now been elected as a full member of the Ugandan Committee, and two new members, Godfrey Kasule and John Ssessamga, were also elected. We welcome them to our charity.

We also restructured our committee, here in UK, and now have a steering group to develop a business plan and budget for the future. I would like to thank Roger Holdsworth for chairing this committee and all his hard work. Janice Knox, our treasurer, as decided to resign this year and I would like to thank her for all her dedication in meticulously keeping our accounts so accurate.

The president of Uganda sent a text message, to all mobile phone users, stating that the country was suffering from a severe water shortage. If the rains don't come the people don't eat as they are mainly self sufficient. Thank you to all those people who responded to our appeal.

The portable solar panel system was well received in Mityana, and several sponsors kindly donated one for their children at Christmas, so they could do their homework at night.

We have managed to dig 2 boreholes near the farm and are planning another one in one of the driest regions in Mityana Diocese. Mark and Mary Hall and their farm manager Daniel van der Veen, also visited Mityana this year, and have now decided produce coffee.

As a small charity, run by a dedicated team, we appreciate greatly the many little tasks done by a variety of people that help to make the ever increasing work load easier to bear. We still require help with publicity and fundraising. We would appreciate it if you could promote our charity amongst your friends and groups, or if you know of anyone who could participate in a sponsored event then they can create their own fundraising page on <http://www.mycharitypage.com/mityanacharity> .

If you are thinking about writing your will, after consultation with your family, you could leave Mityana Charity a legacy.

We thank you for your continued support in our charity.
Very best wishes

Jean Ajin

Mityana (Uganda) Charity Ltd

U.K. Director's Report

In addition to being a Trustee of the Mityana UK Committee, I am also a Director of Mityana (Uganda) Charity Ltd. Three Directors are appointed by the Mityana UK Charity for a period of three years, and these are Canon John Musaasizi, Canon Benon Ssemambo and myself. John is of course the Chair of the Ugandan Committee, and Benon was recommended by the Ugandan members.

First of all I would like to express my appreciation and thanks to the Chair and my fellow-members on the Ugandan Committee for all the hard work and dedication that they voluntarily put into the work of the Committee.

Mityana (Uganda) Charity Ltd., has had a successful year, and has just held its second A.G.M. under the guidance of Canon John Musaasizi. This was a time to review the good work that had been done with Sponsorship, Lwankuba Farm, Nabukenya Primary School and the other undertakings of the Charity. .

Revd Paulo Mususi did not stand for re-election this year, and I took the opportunity of thanking him publicly for all the work he has done during his time on the Committee. In particular it was Paulo who was responsible for starting cultivation of the Farm at Lwankuba, and also for the construction of the buildings at Nabukenya Primary School. This was a tremendous task to undertake and we will always remember all he has done.

Two new members were elected to the Committee: Mr. Godfrey Kasule, (Head teacher of St Annie's School), and Mr. John Sessanga, (Town Engineer). We hope that their time on the Committee will be rewarding and blessed.

A very comprehensive audit had been undertaken by Lawrie Prophet & Co., and the auditor presented his results to the A.G.M. This report is being reviewed with the intention of making any necessary changes to improve the procedures of the Ugandan Committee.

Another milestone has been reached in the story of the Ugandan Committee by the appointment of an employed Project Coordinator, Mr. Sam Muhumuza. There were 200 applicants for this job, and we interviewed a lot of people before Sam was selected. We wish him every success and happiness in his time with Mityana (Uganda) Charity. Already he is proving to be a great asset in our work.

Ann Potts - Director, Mityana (Uganda) Charity Ltd.

Treasurer's Report [Year ended 28th February 2011]

1. Finance – Mityana Charity Accounts

Once again I am pleased to report that the activities of the Charity have increased during the year. The growth of the Charity can clearly be seen in the expenditure figures for recent years:

2006-07,	£78,315
2007-08	£83,907
2008-09	£103,260
2009-10	£109,512
2010-11	£155,807

You will see that expenditure has almost doubled over these years, and virtually all of the money raised has, as usual, been sent out for projects and expenses in Mityana. The expenditure incurred for administering the Charity in the U.K. only amounted to £604 for the year.

The major financial activities during the year again related to educational sponsorship, and to the "New Life" Project at Lwankuba, which includes Nabukenya Primary School and the Farm.

The balances in hand at the end of this financial year include sponsorship income, and money that is accumulating towards the next phase of the building programmes at Nabukenya Primary School and Lwankuba Farm.

In order to keep down Bank Charges, funds are only transferred to Uganda once a month. Ugandan shillings are purchased in the U.K. by our bank and then transferred to Mityana.

I would like to mention with thanks the very considerable financial support that was again given during the year by Hall Hunter Partnership, and by both Blucher and Orange Boarding Houses from Wellington College. We are also extremely grateful to Frindsbury with Upnor Parish Church, St. John the Baptist Church, Windlesham, St. Mary & St. John's Parish Church, California, St. John the Baptist church, Rowlands Castle, St. Sebastian's Church, the Society of St. Francis, Wokingham Rotary Club and our other friends from different churches and corporate organisations. In addition Trusthouse Charitable Foundation gave us a substantial grant for solar lighting at the school and farm and CISCO International for funding for the Teacher's accommodation at the Orphanage. Hundreds of individuals have contributed in different ways, for example, Rory O'Conner ran the Dublin Marathon to raise money for a borehole, and David Riley raised money on-line to help us to provide hundreds of mosquito nets to an area where many children were dying of malaria.

In spite of the difficult financial times, sponsorship and donations continue to grow, and the Charity is always grateful for all individual donations and for the great support that it receives.

This will be my last report as Treasurer, as I have decided that it is now time for me to stand down. I have enjoyed undertaking this task, and thank all the Committee members for their co-operation and friendship. I wish the Mityana Charity continued success in the future. May you go from strength to strength!

Janice Knox - Treasurer

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2011

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2011	TOTAL FUNDS 2010
Note	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Donations		8,944	8,944	11,438
Pupil Sponsorship		44,323	44,323	35,708
Lwankuba Farm Project		22,522	22,522	19,477
Nabukenya Primary School		50,801	50,801	23,032
Lwankuba Animal & Gift Schemes		15,662	15,662	17,468
"A Child Unheard"		2,397	2,397	5,822
Health Clinics		6,280	6,280	2,385
Orphanage & other projects		11,728	11,728	630
Gift-Aid Refund receivable	2.2	14,105	14,105	13,988
Bank & other interest received		361	361	696
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		176,762	177,123	130,644
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Donations		5,154	5,154	9,132
Pupil Sponsorship		43,629	43,629	39,341
Lwankuba Farm Project		26,521	26,521	6,597
Lwankuba Primary School		37,014	37,014	26,401
Lwankuba Animal & Gift Schemes		13,491	13,491	13,837
"A Child Unheard"		7,812	7,812	5,830
Health Clinics		6,075	6,075	1,676
Orphanage & other projects		11,050	11,050	2,930
Administrative expenses		4,529	4,529	4,335
Bank charges		532	532	433
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		150,746	155,807	110,512
NET INCOMING RESOURCES	-	4,700	21,316	20,132
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		5,634 -	5,634 -	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		934	21,316	20,132
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		1,156	68,731	49,755
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD AT 28 FEBRUARY 2011 (2010)		2,090	89,113	69,887

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BALANCE SHEET as at 28 FEBRUARY 2011

	Note	2011 £	2010 £
FIXED ASSETS			
None		0	0
 CURRENT ASSETS			
Gift-Aid Refunds receivable	2.2	33,500	32,500
Bank balances		57,703	37,387
		91,203	69,887
 LIABILITIES : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR - None		0	0
 NET CURRENT ASSETS		91,203	69,887
		91,203	69,887
 LIABILITIES : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR			
None		0	0
 NET ASSETS		91,203	69,887
<i>representing :</i>			
GENERAL UNRESTRICTED FUND		2,090	1,144
RESTRICTED FUNDS		89,113	68,743
		91,203	69,887

Approved by the Trustees on 3 MAY 2011 and signed on their behalf by :

_____ **JEAN AJIN** Jean Ajin, Chairman

_____ **JANICE KNOX** Janice Knox, Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2011

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

1.1 Overall basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost in accordance with :

** Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005)

** applicable accounting standards and the Charities Act 1993

1.2 Specific basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Accruals [matching of income and expenditure] basis in respect of Funds that are Unrestricted. The Receipts and Payments basis has been used for both years in respect of the projects contained in the Restricted Funds caption, with the exception of the accruals basis for Gift-Aid refunds receivable.

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Funds

The General Fund represents the funds of the Charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use. The balance on Restricted Funds represents donations and funds received which have not yet been applied to the intended projects in Uganda. The payments shown in these accounts relate to the transfers made to the local trustees in Uganda.

2.2 Incoming Resources

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when they have been received.

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure, the resources and expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to those resources

Gift-Aid Refunds receivable

The amounts shown in the SOFA is an estimate of the Receivable in respect of the donations for the year augmented by the difference in amounts received compared with accruals in earlier years.

Volunteer help

The value of the voluntary help received is not included in these accounts, but is described in the trustees' report

2.3 Resources Expended

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised in these accounts as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources. The balance on the Restricted Funds represents amounts donated and collected awaiting disbursement.

3 STAFF COSTS & EXPENSES

United Kingdom

The Charity did not have any employees in 2010 and 2011 for its functions in the United Kingdom. Some reimbursement of petty cash expenditure was made to those trustees who incurred such expenses.

Overseas

Teachers' salaries, sponsorship coordinator's remuneration and farm workers' wages are included in some payments and contributions have been made towards the increasing administrative burden.

4 GRANTS

The grants made by the charity to causes in Uganda are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities

MITYANA CHARITY

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES
ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2011**

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 [the Act] as amended by section 28 of the Charities Act 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to :

- ** examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act, as amended)
- ** to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission [under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended)
- ** to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts set out on Pages 1 to 3

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - ** proper accounting records are kept in accordance with section 41 of the Charities Act 1993
 - ** accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act
- (2) and to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Signed : **R H NELSON**

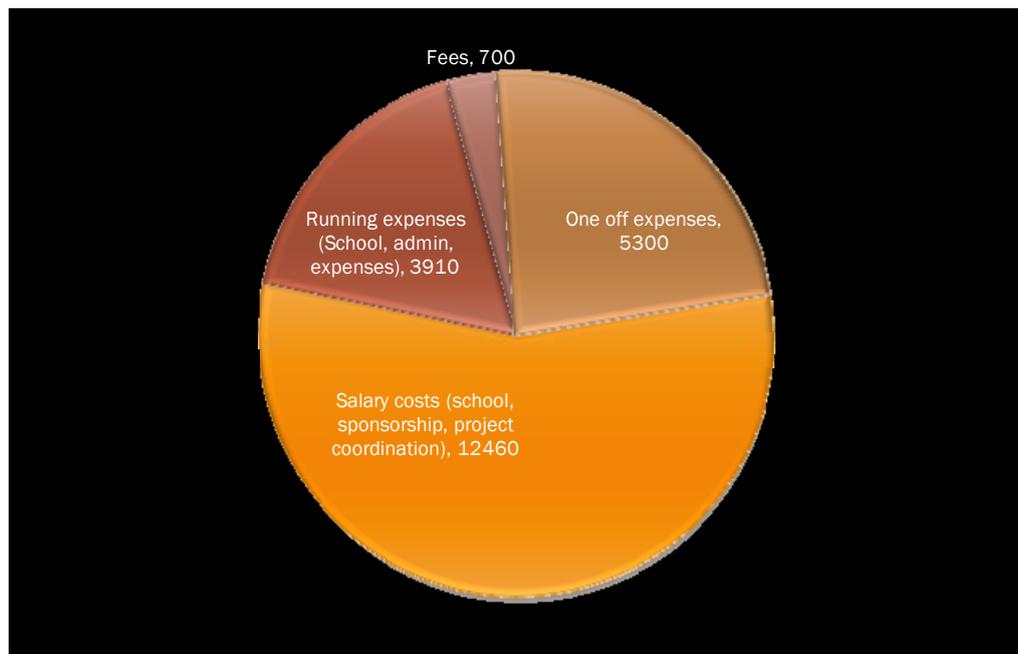
Date : **3 MAY 2011**

Robert H Nelson
Independent Examiner
Chartered Accountant
Wokingham

2. Finance – Funding for Overheads

Like any other organisation, the Mityana charity incurs overhead costs (by which I mean the day to day running costs which keep the charity operating). These include items like the payment of the project coordinator in Uganda, accountancy and auditing fees in Uganda and one-off costs for capital items. We also pay running expenses relating to projects (for example teachers' salaries) in the interim before the projects become self-funding; this is the aim for most of our projects.

The total estimated running costs for the next year amount to £22,400, broken down as follows (compared to an unaudited figure for income in the past year of around £200,000):



It is worth pointing out here that well over 90% of these costs are incurred in Uganda.

We have identified various sources of funds to cover these costs, as follows:

- Recovery of past Gift Aid (as previously agreed)
- General (i.e. non-project specific) donations
- Existing funds
- Sponsored marathon

But this leaves an estimated gap of £5000.

To bridge that gap we propose that 5% of all donations should be taken into a fund to cover costs. 10% overhead charge is often regarded as a reasonable figure – we aim to do better than that and will work to limit the effect on those who benefit from the Charity's funds by optimizing the use of Gift Aid. However we believe that ensuring that there are adequate funds to run the charity properly will, in the end ensure that the maximum amount of money goes where it is truly needed.

Roger Holdsworth – Health Project Coordinator

Sponsorship Report

The sponsorship program is growing and thriving with very generous support for 93 primary children and 78 students in secondary or tertiary education and the hard work and care of Grace Musaasizi in Mityana. As ever we are able to supply the children with uniform, shoes, lunch, bags, books and stationary, as well as their school fees. Many sponsors generously provide the older students with very varying help, from buying practical equipment to paying for board and lodgings in Kampala. Several of our students have finished motor mechanics or tailoring apprenticeships this year and are now employed whilst others are finishing university degrees and teaching diplomas this term, whilst three have done so well at "A" level that they may be able to get rare government grants for university tuition.

At Christmas time we hopefully suggested that some sponsors might like to buy solar panels and lights for their children to help them study at night. We hoped that perhaps a couple of dozen people might respond but were quite overwhelmed when enough money was sent in for 118 sets of equipment. We hope that these may have a big effect on the ability of our children to study and also improve the quality of life for their entire family.

Other sponsors bought mosquito nets for 21 children and we have been able to provide medical advice, anti-malarial drugs and antibiotics for typhoid, both of which diseases drain the resources of many of our children each year. The money for the medicines comes just from individuals who realise their importance. We are always very grateful for any extra!

Jo Riddaway – Sponsorship Co-ordinator

“New Life Projects” & Mission Report 2010/11

Since the last Annual General Meeting I have spent seven weeks in Uganda. It is my “home from home” and it’s quite hard to leave some of my very close friends behind when I return. As usual the work I have been doing falls mainly under two headings “New Life” Projects and “Mission”.

1. “NEW LIFE” PROJECTS

The aim of the “New Life” ventures is to help to bring new life in all its forms to Mityana through projects incorporating mission, education, training, farming, self-help etc. In this connection 20 people are now employed by the Charity.

(a) “New Life” at Lwankuba Farm

(Lwankuba Farm is a 500-acre site about 18 miles from Mityana town for which the Charity has a 20-year Lease. Although this is a big farm, there are unfortunately many squatters on the site. In spite of this, the aim is that it will become self-sustaining, support the school, provide a clinic, and help both the local community and the Diocese.)

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Mark and Mary Hall, from Hall Hunter Partnership, who are now undertaking the general management, funding and development of the Farm. Daniel van de Veen is presenting a report to the A.G.M. on behalf of H.H.P. From their point of view the last year has been an eventful one at the farm, marked with many ups and downs. They have been faced with challenges in harvesting some of the crops, livestock pirates and difficult weather conditions. However, having shipped out a tractor and other farming implements on a container, it is good to see the land now being well prepared, with all the termite hills being levelled and thorn boundary hedging planted.

The Charity has itself just placed an order to modify and adapt an existing building with the intention of providing improved accommodation for the workers on the farm. At present some of the men are living in very poor conditions.

Last year I reported that a borehole had just been drilled on the farm site, but we were still waiting to find out if the water supply was good and adequate. The borehole was intended mainly for the farm and the school, but the community from miles around now uses it night and day. Water is in very short supply, and this last season has been particularly dry, so pathways have been trodden through the farmland by people needing water. The supply is fair, although in the afternoons it runs low, and people have to wait a while for it to refill. While this was not the use we intended, it is obviously a great blessing to the community.

The needs of farm, school and community were obviously so great that I subsequently decided to drill a second borehole at a site some distance from the first. We knew from previous tests that this was a good site, and it has now proved to have a plentiful supply of water. Mark Hall is now considering a plan to use this second borehole to provide water for the school and farm, and for an irrigation system. We hope to bring you good news about this in next year’s report! Rory O-Conner raised much of the money for Borehole 2 by running the Dublin Marathon and more was also raised by the church of St. Mary & St. John at California. Our grateful thanks go to all who donated, and in particular to Hugh Wakeling who acts as Engineering Adviser for the Charity and supervised the borehole contracts from the U.K. (We have since received more funding from Westminster Under School for a third borehole at another site.)

Mark & Mary Hall and Daniel van de Veen have made several trips to Uganda in order to investigate thoroughly potential crops and marketing strategy. They have decided to specialise in a wilt-free strain of coffee, and this is currently being planted. It is good to see their plans for the farm developing, and again we wish to give them a big vote of thanks for the great work that they are undertaking.

(b) Nabukenya Primary School

(Nabukenya Primary School is situated at Lwankuba Farm and was given the name "Nabukenya" because that is the name I am known by in Uganda. It provides free education for the local children and is completely funded by Mityana Charity. The aim is that it will eventually be supported by the farm profits.)

- **The School.** There are now approximately 280 children on the roll, divided between seven classes. This means that the school is now full, and the P7 class have started studying hard for their Primary School leaving examinations. I am pleased to be able to repeat again this year that the school is still thriving thanks to the wonderful work of the Head Teacher, Canon Jethro Ssebulime, and his teachers. It has been a sad year personally for Jethro and his family, but his work at the school has been tireless. As the school has grown year by year, Jethro has faced up to all the challenges of leading a new venture and developing a high standard of education. Mark Boobbyer and Linda Raabe-Marjot and their Boarding Houses from Wellington College have been responsible for the construction of most of the buildings at the school, and yet again our gratitude goes out to them for the tremendous work that they have done. .
- **Classroom Blocks.** Since the last A.G.M. Waterloo Block has been finished, and this now completes our complement of classrooms.
- **Teachers' accommodation.** Last year I reported on the urgent need for teachers' accommodation on the site. I am pleased to report that Linda Raabe-Marjot and the girls of Orange House, Wellington College, raised the money for this important project, and construction of two blocks of housing accommodation has now been completed. This is a great asset for all the teachers employed at the school.
- **New Development.** Mark Boobbyer and I originally stood with a pencil and an old envelop and planned a school that would be built on four sides of a quadrangle. Three sides have been built, and I am delighted to report that Mark and Linda have now raised funds to construct a multi-purpose Assembly Hall/Church on the one remaining side, and this work will commence shortly. (It would also be good if we could raise additional funds to level the compound, and provide a simple kitchen to provide food for the children.)
- **Power and Water.** There is no power or light at the farm or at the school, and until recently the only water we had was from roof harvesting and a muddy water hole on one of our boundaries. As mentioned earlier, two boreholes have now been drilled at the Lwankuba site. The second borehole will hopefully provide water for the school and for irrigation at the farm. Solar panels have been installed at the school from the donation received from Trusthouse Charitable Foundation. This is making a great difference to the quality of life of all the teachers resident there.
- **Visitors.** Quite a few visitors come to see the school, and it is always a great joy to be received by the children dancing and singing to welcome us. This is something that I will never forget.
- **Thanks.** In addition to the thanks due to Blucher House and Orange House Wellington College, we also wish to thank all the people who have contributed towards teachers' salaries, school books, furniture, etc., during the year. (If anybody else would like to assist us it would be a great help if they could sponsor a teacher.)

The Future of the children from Nabukenya Primary School

At the moment the children in the top class of Nabukenya Primary School are working hard with the aim of obtaining good results in the Primary Leaving Examinations. The big challenge for us is to consider what their future will be. Should we embark on renovations to a dormitory so that the bright ones can attend Namutamba Secondary School, consider enlarging the sponsorship scheme for them, or start thinking of developing vocational education at Nabukenya Primary School? Please pray for us as we consider the way forward and seek funding.

(c) New Life Gift Scheme

The Gift Scheme has continued to be very successful. Purchasing items varying from a cow or hen, to mattresses and fruit trees, can help the people of Mityana.

On my return to the U.K. a year ago I reported the sad news that over 500 children in one area had died from malaria over quite a short period. In response to our appeal in this connection I am pleased to say that over £3000 was received to provide treated mosquito nets for children, health clinics and schools in this area. (This is additional to all the nets that sponsors have purchased for their sponsored children.)

I have recently visited several areas where our animal schemes have proved very successful.

When you buy a gift we can provide a presentation Certificate that can be given as a present to a friend or relative. We also sell greetings cards, which also raise funds for this scheme. I can confirm that the Gift Scheme has indeed made a very real difference to the lives of recipients in Mityana, and again our thanks go to Eileen Rhodes for her hard work in this connection. If you want to give a gift that's different and at the same time help somebody in Mityana please contact Eileen. eileen.rhodes@btinternet.com

(d) Various other projects

Once again many other donations have been sent to Mityana to provide help to individuals and groups for items such as desks, water filters and medical kits for schools, regular upkeep for impoverished widows, pig, goat, and hen schemes etc. Water filtration systems are being supplied to 21 schools in the Diocese to ensure that the water the children drink is free from contamination. A number of small schools are regularly supported by visitors from U.K. and by the Charity through the Gift Scheme etc.

2. MISSION IN MITYANA DIOCESE

(On the first day of my first visit to Mityana the former Bishop asked me if I would help him in the Diocese, and this involvement started even before my activities with the Charity and its subsequent development.)

a) Mission

During my last visit the actual mission programme was somewhat curtailed. It was not possible for me to go on the mission to Karamojong, and as it happened food scarcity in the region made it rather unstable, and women missionaries have been requested not to go. Together with Phil Green I had three days training planned for clergy in Mubende, but the programme had to be changed, and we finished up only teaching for one day. Phil works with Youth Leaders, and as we were recommended to stay in the

hotel on the Presidential Election Day, we arranged for a number of the Youth Leaders from Mityana to meet Phil there. He will be following up this work with them later in the year. I also spent time during my visit preaching and visiting sick parishioners in rural parishes.

b) Bicycles and Bibles

A number of people again donated money towards the purchase of bicycles for Lay Readers in Mityana Diocese. These make a great difference to Lay Readers who are often working alone in huge rural parishes and usually have to cover many miles on foot to undertake their ministry.

I also distributed some bibles, particularly to people who gave their lives to Christ when we visited their churches. The demand for Bibles is enormous.

c) Prison Ministry

The bad conditions in Ugandan prisons can make visiting them quite a distressing experience. One visitor who came with me to Mwera Prison this year described it as "the black hole of Calcutta". I gave out packets of bread rolls to the prisoners whose food generally consists of one meal of posho every day, with beans if they are available. The prisoners were so grateful and so touched that we had visited them and talked with them, that it reduced the visitors to tears. We also left bread rolls for the prisoners at Mityana Prison, but were not permitted to go into the prison on this occasion because of the imminent election. It is not always easy to raise money for this work, but the need for very basic provision for these prisoners is enormous.

d) Legal Aid Clinic

An important new venture is the recent opening of a Legal Aid Clinic in Mityana. A Ugandan lawyer, James Muliira, is helping me with this. We have rented two rooms on the first floor of a unit in one of the main streets in Mityana, and hope that we will soon be open to supply legal advice to many people in need, e.g. those who have problems with landlords and land tenure, and prisoners who are imprisoned without trial.

e) Clergy Training

Mityana Charity has continued sponsoring the training of Revd. Moses Sserangooma, who will graduate this year. Our thanks again go to St. Sebastian's Church which has sponsored Revd. Wilberforce Sseguya throughout his training. The church has now started supporting another ordinand Emmanuel Lukabwe. Emmanuel is shortly leading the mission to Karamojo, which is a very remote area of Northern Uganda, and St. Sebastian's Church has also contributed towards the expenses of the Mission. Our prayers are with Emmanuel and the team on this endeavour.

Once again we give thanks for another successful year, and a huge "thank you" goes to all the wonderful donors who have made all these activities possible.

**Ann Potts (New Life Projects and Mission)
March 2011**

Health Projects

The major achievement during the past year has been the provision of medical equipment for the clinic at Buwaata. This allowed the full inauguration of the clinic, which serves a local population of some 60,000, by the Bishop of Mityana at the end of March this year. In addition, the Buwaata facility was presented with a new motorcycle by the Bishop. The status of the clinic is now such that the Ugandan Government is funding two additional staff and the installation of solar panels in the next few weeks will complete the process, started in 2008, of building and equipping an important new centre. The midwife at the clinic reported that within a few days of her arrival she had conducted 10 deliveries and attended 96 ante- and post-natal cases.

A number of priorities exist for the coming year. Kyato Health Centre has a number of issues including the need for provision of a similar range of equipment to that supplied to Buwaata where approximately £5,000 was invested. In addition there is an ongoing need for the provision of mosquito nets in Kyato.

A high demand for eye and dental treatment has been identified at Maama Norah, there is a need for wheelchairs and spectacles throughout the area and in terms of preventative medicine provision of further water filtration systems at schools would make a positive contribution.

It's clear that there are a number of lines to pursue in this area and in the coming year we will be looking particularly at funding sources which specifically serve the healthcare area.

Roger Holdsworth (Health Project Co-ordinator)

Fundraising

We have been at a few events throughout the year selling various items such as bric-a-brac at Bracknell Bandstand, jewellery and cards at St Sebastian's Summer and Christmas Fayres, which included a toy-tombola and other various games. A couple of garage sales have even been held. Money was raised with the Sponsored Walk around Virginia Water last Spring. One of our fundraisers, Pat, organised a Hobby-horse Race night which was enjoyed by all who came as well as raising some more, much needed funds.

On **Friday 27th May** we will be at **Bracknell Bandstand** again selling bric-a-brac and books, it would be lovely to see some new faces those who'd like to help, even if only for half an hour or so. We're hoping to have a sponsored swim sometime in the next few months date TBA.

So watch this space for future events, or come and join the Fundraising team if you have any other fantastic ideas for how to raise funds. Thanks to all who have been supporting us.

Helen Chang - Fundraising



Mityana Orphanage Primary and Vocational School Report 2010-11

This last year has been one of uncertainty following the death of Margaret, the founder and patron of the orphanage and school. Despite our best efforts there has, following Margaret's death, been an irretrievable breakdown between the orphanage and school and Esubi trust that had been supporting them. This has meant that the need to find alternative sponsors has become immediate and urgent.

Currently food is being provided on a short term basis although there have been some shortages due to current economic situation in Uganda, and the children remain in school or the orphanage. This is leading to hardship among the staff, however, as there is still uncertainty over salaries. Much hard work is on-going in trying to find major sponsors who will make a longer-term commitment to support the orphanage and school.

However, there have also been some successes this year. A new playground has recently been completed following fundraising from a remarkable university student who undertook a sponsored "climbathon" and the water bills continue to be paid, allowing the children, and staff, access to clean water on site.

A new dormitory and nursery block are nearly complete but, with Esubi's withdrawal, are not quite finished. Also, following a very generous donation from Cisco Systems, a teachers' house is under construction. Some teachers travel up to six miles twice a day to support the orphans so it will be a great help to be able to live on-site. This also provides a level of security for those living in the orphanage at night and at weekends. So, in conclusion, it has been a difficult year for the orphanage and school, with continued hardship until more sponsors can be found, but the courage and hope of the children shines brightly which should serve as an inspiration to all those seeking to help in any way.

Please contact me if you have any ideas or suggestions about future sponsorship or fund-raising ideas.

Colin Rouse

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Visits 2010-11

Staff at St Sebastian's school April 2010
Ann Potts and group Oct/Nov 10
Wellington College group Oct 10
Ann Potts Jan/Feb 11
Mark and Mary Hall Feb 11

Communications Notes

Mityana Charity Web Site

[Web Site address: www.mityanacharity.org]

Jean Ajin has recently updated the Web Site and improved the layout. She has updated the site with some new articles and added some updates on some pages. Project co-ordinators / Committee members are encouraged to keep respective information on their projects up to date and add new material as required. This is done through Jean. The aim is to keep the wider public informed of the activities and achievements of the charity which are documented in newsletters and annual reports.

We welcome articles on visits or your views on future activities or ideas! Contact us by e mail enquiry@mityanacharity.org

Newsletters

We were concerned that producing a main newsletter plus several small broadsheets during the year was too time-consuming and information was often out of date by the time it was produced. We decided to stop producing the annual newsletter and concentrate on 3 – 4 news broadsheets / year with relevant information included. This seems easier to manage – you should find these on the Web site. To minimise printing and postage costs we send these out to all members and donors via e mail unless requested to supply by post.

As mentioned previously we do need contributions from others “out there” that have an interest in the work of the Charity. We particularly welcome “Good News2 stories about your sponsored children for newsletters. I urge you to contact Jean or myself if you wish to make your voice heard.

You can contact us on enquiry@mityanacharity.org

Publicity material

We have Charity publicity material such as leaflets, flyers, various posters, Power Points and display boards to use at presentations and other occasions. Just contact us if you need anything to help us advertise the Charity.

Artistic help is always needed!

Nigel Birch (Publicity Officer)

Just a thought as we think of our friends in Uganda and how we can support them.

Father. I am seeking. I am hesitant and uncertain, but will you, O God, watch over each step of mine and guide me.
(St. Augustine)



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