



The Mityana Charity

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NEWSLETTER May 2011

Ann's visit to Mityana

Ann had a very successful six week visit to Mityana. She came back happy, but very tired.

We warmly welcome Sam Muhumuza who has been employed as Project Coordinator in Mityana. Already he has proved to be a great help in facilitating our work in Uganda.



Ann attended the A,G,M, of the Ugandan Charity when she was in Uganda. Peter Balukaake who previously only represented the Orphanage, has now been elected as a full member of the Ugandan Committee, and two new members, Godfrey Kasule, (Head Teacher of St. Annie's School) and John Ssessamga, (Town Engineer) were also elected. We welcome them to the Ugandan Committee. Canon John Musaasizi (Chairman) reported on the successful year enjoyed by the Ugandan Committee.

A butcher's shop in Mityana!

What would health and safety officers here think about the hygiene!



Can you help to buy half a water tank?

A friend of ours started work as Head Teacher at a school in the bush at Kyankwanzi. When the children arrived desperate with thirst, there was no water there for him to give them.

We have collected half the money for a roof rain-water harvesting scheme and a tank. Can you help us raise £500 more for them please?

How potty is Potty?

When Ann's son waited for hours at Heathrow to pick his mother up after her trip to Uganda, he eventually texted her and said, "Where are you?" Her reply was "Banana Village, why?" She then realised that she had misread her departure time and had missed her plane! She is not going to be allowed to forget it!



TRIP IN OCTOBER 2011

Ann is planning a trip on 23rd October this year. If you would like to join her do please get in touch. (ann.potts@virgin.net)

Reduce your inheritance tax

The government have said that you can reduce your inheritance tax by 10% if you give 10% to a charity.

Why not donate to Mityana Charity and reduce your inheritance tax. More details on our website.

Another borehole

A big thank you go to the children at Westminster Under School for raising over £6,500 through a sponsored Readathon towards another borehole.

The first borehole is so successful that it is in constant use.



The second borehole has been constructed and we are waiting for a pumping system to enable water to be pumped to the farm.



Here is the water being tested.

Fundraising

We held a very successful and enjoyable fundraising Hobby horse evening. Many thanks to Pat Barton and her family for arranging this. We are hoping to have a sponsored swim in the near future. Please contact Helen chthompson@btinternet.com for more details.

Nabukenya Primary School

Many thanks to Orange House at Wellington College who have provided the money to build teachers' accommodation at Nabukenya Primary School.



The teachers have moved into Block 1, but at the moment two people are sharing one unit.



Some P7 boys are also using half a unit, as they are virtually boarding because of the intensive studies needed for the leaving examinations next year. The P7 girls are sleeping on the Head Teacher's floor and being looked after by his wife.

We would like to build 2 rooms for these children to board for future years. These exams are very important as the children are not able to proceed to secondary school without passing them. Any contributions welcome.



Block 2 teachers accommodation is also approaching completion now.



This is St. Mary's School. It is made out of wattle and mud. You can see the poor conditions that the children work under. Our thanks go to Eileen Rhodes and the College at Basingstoke for the help that they are providing for this underprivileged school.



Testing the bow and arrow which are used by the night watchman at our Farm at Lwankuba. (He comes from Karamoja in the remote north east of Uganda.)



Food shortages in Uganda

Many of you kindly responded to our appeal for money for food in response to the following text from the Prime Minister of Uganda "A long dry season has been predicted. Expect shortages of food, water and pasture. Store food and water to avoid hunger" Although the rains eventually came the people still have to wait for the plants to grow.

Mission work

Ann visited many schools, parishes and poor people in Mityana. She spent three days working with Phil Green in Mubende.



Prisoners from Mwere Prison coming to meet Ann. They had a very moving and positive time together.



Letter from Uganda

Hello my dear friends,

Thanks be to God for your lives. I hope everything is OK over there. Well I'm also carrying on with my studies, thank you for letting me be there.

I'm happy to tell you that I was voted the speaker Makerere University Entrepreneurship Students Association (MUESA). I thank you for lifting me to these great heights and I pray to God to help me take Entrepreneurship to another level.

We have started getting some rainfall in most parts of the country, glory be to God. Next weekend I will be travelling to the village to plant my cassava, thank you for being so supportive of whatever I do, you are great friends to me, whatever you do in Uganda gives people a reason and hope to live, you are true preachers of love, may the good lord bless you.
David Katende
(sponsored student)

Appreciation

We try to show how we appreciate the people who work for us in Uganda:



Teachers receiving mosquito nets.



Providing and sharing a meal with workers from our farm.



Giving rice, salt and sugar to our workers

May the joy of Easter fill your heart today, and for the whole year ahead!

Thank you

Many thanks to Louise Jackett and Sarah Owen for providing the funds for the Orphanage children to have play equipment. It is only now that Ugandan children are having the experience of play.



The building shows the new nursery classrooms. Just like in UK, nursery children are now having to have their own buildings. The building requires funds to be completed and nursery equipment needs to be purchased. Any contributions will be very welcome

Former Prisoner



This former prisoner was unable to work and resorted to stealing because of the enormous hernia that he had. Ann arranged for him to have surgery, and now he is happily working on a local tea estate, and delighted to be able to support his family

Help our Treasurer

Please can we ask that when you make a direct transfer to our account you please put a reference on it e.g Sponsorship, Ann Potts, orphanage, Nabukenya Primary School (NPS), water, bibles, bikes etc.

As cheques are being phased out can we please urge you to make bank transfers or standing orders

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Learn more about us!

PLEASE COME TO OUR AGM.

Thursday 19th May at 7.30 at St Sebastian's Parish Centre, Wokingham. Do come along and learn about the exciting things that are happening with the Charity. We need your support.

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HAPPY EASTER FROM THE MITYANA CHARITY