



The Mityana Charity

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We wish you all a very happy and healthy New Year

Water Projects

During my visit to Mityana in October/November 2012 it rained almost every day – it was the rainy season – and this confirmed to me the value of collecting rainwater from the roofs of buildings before it gets polluted by touching the ground. So we are going ahead with a number of schemes to harvest rainwater from the roofs of schools, clinics and a few prisons.

We have also just awarded a contract for constructing a new borehole at Mpirigwa Primary School, which is one of the two areas where the Bishop of Mityana has told us that children have to walk a very long way to collect drinking water for their families. This should become operational during February. This will be Mityana Charity Bore Hole No 4! I attach a picture of the Principal Canon Rehoboam and some of the staff and pupils who go to Mpirigwa Primary School. Thank you to all who have contributed money to water projects over the last year or so. This is where much of it is being spent.



A large donation given to the charity in October has enabled us to provide Mityana Prison with a new water tank, as the bottom had come off their existing tank. About 150 men and 10 women and one baby were in the prison when I visited it, and they were very short of water. Also from this money we are providing a new toilet block for the new Kasoolo Secondary School. At the moment they only have four actual toilets for their 150 pupils and 20 staff, and they are likely to get

100 more pupils in February!

Looking to the future we hope to provide a Bore Hole for Mitooma Primary School which is in a very dry area some miles north of Mpirigwa Primary School. We hope too to provide rain harvesting equipment at Township Secondary School, where their only existing water tank leaks badly. See the picture of me inspecting the existing water tank.



There are also five medical clinics which need help with clean water and we are in the process of negotiating funding for those clinics. *Hugh Wakeling.*

Nabukennya Primary School

We wish to send our thanks to Canon Jethro Ssebulime, who retired after 7 years of being headmaster at Nabukennya Primary School. He developed the school over those years. We wish him and his wife Lois a very happy retirement. We welcome Mr Emmanuel Musaaazi, who has been appointed as the new headmaster.



At the end of last term new latrines were completed for the teaching staff at NPS. This was a more difficult process than first anticipated because the diggers hit rock which extended to quite a depth. However now that they have been completed the teachers are pleased to have their own facilities separate from those provided for the children.

The children in P7 completed their Primary Leaving Examinations and we are awaiting the results of their hard work this month. In order for the children to receive the teaching help they need and to do revision in the evenings, the children board at the school for this final year. As the result of some generous donations we have been able to provide bunk beds for all the children in P7 which means they no longer have to sleep on the floor.

After a great deal of preparation and thorough ground work, the school now has a level football pitch! The children are very keen football fans and the school received a donation specifically for the development of a football pitch and we are delighted that it is now ready for use.

Debbie Harris

Sponsorship

We are still looking for sponsors for new children we have on our list. Please ask your friends.

Farm

We are delighted to hear that some of the coffee berries have started to ripen and are now being picked.



Mityana Charity- Shaping the Future One Day at a Time

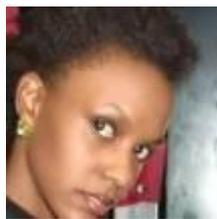
Children are in a way easy to impress, you'll give them a toy, sweets, cake anything small and they will almost adore you, you can shower them with love and affection yes that is important too, but the greatest gift you will ever give a child is the gift of knowledge to build him/her. Especially an orphan with all their dreams shattered by the loss of their parents.

I came to learn about Mityana Charity last year (2012) and wow!!!!!! It's amazing what they are doing for the children in Mityana District, trying to provide the affection the orphans in the area will never again receive from their parents as well as provide an opportunity for these orphans to have a good education. What has amused me most about Mityana Charity is that they also reach out to those children whose parents cannot afford them just so they can make it in this competitive world lest they are doomed to poverty worse still death in so many horrible ways.

Am sure none of us can imagine how it feels to go a day with no food or clean water right? Well it does happen to people in Mityana, all over Uganda and Africa at large, to make matters worse it happens to little children, and I know every parent out there reading this can almost feel that sting of pain at the mere thought of your own child having to go through this. So lets get together people out there, lets form teams, join arms with Mityana Charity and put some funds together, show these children some love, give them a chance to live a good life, they are the future.

On a happier note, Mityana Charity is indeed an amazing organization for it reaches out to all Ugandans and seeks to improve their lives, I am proud to say that I am a product of their great generosity. Thanks to Mityana Charity, in April last year (2012) 11 other young Ugandans and I were given a working experience in the UK from which we returned with our lives completely changed. I had an opportunity to meet some of the founders of the Charity, very loving and wonderful people. But what am thankful for the most is the agricultural experience I got as well as the wake up call. It was during these nine months in the UK that I finally realised I am meant to be a farmer; I therefore got a direction in life. Thank you Jean, Jo, Bob and all the other

people in the UK and Uganda who are working so hard to improve the lives of many, you are highly appreciated.



Rose Ngozi

Our Ugandan Friends in England

Our Ugandan friends returned to Uganda earlier this month. They were disappointed not to have experienced snow! Maybe next time!

The group came to visit some of our homes for a weekend and then some went to London with us.



They have got good ideas to start their own small farms and have gained experience through working with Hall Hunter Partnership. Thank you.

New Life Gifts

Thank you to Penny Borgen for administrating our New Life Gifts. Please remember that this runs all year and could be especially useful for special birthdays and anniversaries
pennyborgen@btinternet.com

Website

Andrew Spiers, a photographer, is kindly helping us to revamp our website. Thank you.
www.andrewspiers.co.uk

Legal Aid

Our legal aid officer, Irene Mugeni, married in December. We wish her and her husband a happy life together.



Irene has been working with Susan Nantale, our advocate, to gain fair justice for those who have been imprisoned without any trial and to support those on trial, where there is injustice. Other work has been visiting prisons and listening to their concerns. Some as very basic as someone letting their families know where they are.

Fundraising

As Google is currently unpopular for not paying Capital Gains tax we wondered if you might like to use Everyclick instead which also gains money for the charity. We have raised over £90 so far. You just make <http://www.everyclick.com/mityana> as your home page under Tools and Options in your web browser.

Did you have a new mobile for Christmas? We would be grateful for them for use in contacting people in Mityana.

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Have you received any unwanted gifts which we could raffle or sell on our stalls?

We are also looking for any jewellery for a jewellery stall. Please contact pat.barton2@gmail.com

From the Treasurer

If you kindly donate through CAF and send your cheque direct to CAF would you kindly please inform our treasurer as we have had several payments and don't know who they are from or what project they are for. CAF will not give us the details!
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