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VISIT TO UK BY COUNTRY COORDINATOR

On Saturday 2nd May I arrived at Heathrow Airport where Jean Ajin and Jo Riddaway, were waiting for me. My visit gave a remarkable experience of physically interacting with all the charity UK committee members and our esteemed different donors.

The immeasurable hospitality that I received from the UK people was really overwhelming and made me wonder whether it is comparable to that we give them when they come to Uganda. It was from this hospitality that I came to admit that there is a big family for Mityana Charity globally.

My three weeks in the UK were very fruitful because I was able to discuss the future of Mityana Charity in relation to its community support programs in Uganda.

My visit to the Hall Hunter partnership was indeed another eye opener to me. A splendid world class farming enterprise is what I call it. Thank you Mark and Marry for supporting our Ugandan youths whom after sharing with them, I am sure benefit a lot from this program. Indeed, life has never been the same for all those that have been at your farm.



Geoffrey and Daniel from HHP with young Ugandans at Groves Farm

My visit included Wellington College, St. Sebastian Church, St. James church, Medicor Foundation, Woodenhill Primary School and many more individual donors.



Geoffrey presents a certificate of thanks to Orange House for their support of Nabukenya Primary School to Sir Anthony Seldon, Master of Wellington College



Geoffrey with the Orange tutor team at Wellington College, discussing how they will support the legal aid project to start children's rights clubs

Besides my busy business schedule, I had an opportunity to visit various amazing places like Stamford Bridge, Windsor Castle, London, Royal Ascot, where as was taken by Mouse, Peter and Alexis, Jean and Pat respectively.

Words are very few to express what my heart feels for all those who supported me for the time I was in the UK, and more so for supporting my visit. My sincere appreciation to the entire UK Committee and our different sponsors.

Thank you once again
Geoffrey Kinaalwa Ssemakula

CONGRATULATIONS

To Geoffrey & Brenda on the birth of their baby boy Theon



WATER PROJECTS

More Clean Drinking Water!!

So far this year we have installed two water tanks, one at the girl's dormitory at Nabukenya Primary School,



and one at Affinet, a vocational centre.



We are now in the process of doing two more, one at the nursery unit at Nabukenya Primary School, and the other, thanks to money raised by Mouse and friends, at Trio Primary School. We hope, as money becomes available, to be able to do one or two more before the end of the year, one at Kasoolo Secondary School and one at St Mary's School for the Deaf.

Workshop

A workshop was provided in March for representatives from 15 schools in and around Mityana to learn how to use the latest sort of drinking water filter. Each school that attended the workshop was then presented with a drinking water filter. These filters clean up contaminated water and make it safe for drinking.

Update on Borehole at Kasoolo

I am sad to report that the bore hole supplied last year by the Uganda Government at Kasoolo Secondary.

School has stopped working owing to the use of poor piping materials. However a group of UK Franciscans has raised £500 to repair it and we hope this will happen very soon. We are still hoping to put in another bore hole ourselves at the school, and we plan to provide one at Mpirigwa Primary School, when we have enough money to do so.

Hugh Wakeling
Water Projects Coordinator

NABUKENYA PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are very grateful for all the help, from many individuals and groups, who have helped us to fund the furnishing of the new kitchen and nursery school.



The children were excited to receive the new toys

The latest addition to the nursery school is a proper sandpit, as you can see in the photograph. We had already managed to send out buckets and spades and plastic cups and plates so the children were able to start playing immediately! After Geoffrey's visit to a school here in the UK, he understood about children learning through play in a sandpit and had one constructed.



Thanks to many generous donations we have managed to fund the construction of four Eco-Stoves which have been constructed in the new kitchen. These can be compared roughly to an Aga cooker built from bricks. Two of them can be seen in the photograph above.



These two will be used for cooking large quantities of maize porridge and beans and the smaller ones for cooking sauces and perhaps more adventurous things. They require 70% less fuel than the open fire and can hopefully be fuelled by sustainably made charcoal rather than local wood which the children were bringing to school the huge detriment of the locality. Just as important each stove has its own chimney vented to the outside so the cooks will be protected from carbon monoxide poisoning and smoke inhalation. Now all we need is a table and shelves!

Jo Riddaway
NPS Coordinator

SPONSORSHIP



Children receiving their school supplies for the new term

A Reminder
Sponsorship renewal is always due early November. Don't forget to increase your standing orders if your child is transferring to secondary school (after p7) in 2017

Primary £125 and secondary £250

We would like to have new sponsors. Could you possibly spread the word so that more children can be given the opportunity?

How you can help us

Are you a tax payer? If so please complete a gift aid form.
http://mityanacharity.org/form_ga.doc

INTERESTED IN VISTING MITYANA?

Hugh is going in Oct
Jean & Pat 2-15 March 2016

COUNTRY COORDINATOR MEETS UGANDAN PRIME MINISTER

Geoffrey amazingly managed to get an appointment with the Ugandan Prime Minister, The Rt. Hon. Dr. Ruhakana Rugunda. He said "My major point of meeting him was to seek government support towards electricity connection to Lwankuba Farm & NPS, further support for NPS and support towards acquisition of a wet-mill for coffee production."



LWANKUBA FARM OPEN DAY



Mark and Mary Hall visited the Coffee Farm Open Day in February.

LEGAL AID AND PRISON WORK

This year Hilden Charitable Fund has enabled the Legal Aid and Prison work to continue giving information and guidance to the vulnerable. We are hoping that we may get funding for next year, to continue this valuable work, especially in the development of children's rights.

A plea from our treasurer

CAF donations

Please email us if you donate in this way, include:

Your name

The amount

The project for which it is intended

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