



Dear Friends,

We have exciting news for you!

Besides our visit to Uganda and activities with our sponsored children in Kenya, we have finalized our research and launched an income generating project with our community.

We appreciate your ongoing support. Asante sana!



Mzee Wanyama Community Development

After visiting every household of our community in Mzee Wanyama, we have identified the main challenge and our future project: Access to water is not only vital for farming but important for health and sanitation. After a minor cholera outbreak earlier this year and without a borehole, all of our members lack access to clean water.

Together with the community, we have established a tank project that will eventually supply each member with a water tank. The tanks will be filled regularly through rain water harvesting on which they will receive training.

SPOTLIGHT



Meet Santa Maria Muiru

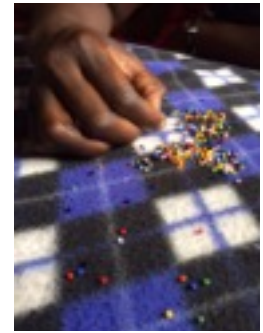
Santa Maria is our community eldest. Her innovative and encouraging personality and her hospitality have made the beading workshops possible. She and her daughter have been making jewelry out of paper even before the project started and host our group every week.

Email us to get one of these pins for HIV awareness for only \$1 and support both Santa Maria and our water tank project.



Generating Income with a new Beading Project

Rather than completely relying on donations, we have launched our first income generating project. Our ladies are currently learning to make traditional Maasai jewelry. We have weekly workshops and a teacher from the local Maasai Market.



Starting off with earrings, we are planning to set up an online shop with all of our merchandise. The ladies will receive income with each item they make and have agreed to contribute half of the profit to the tank project. All of the profit therefore goes 100% back to the community.

Stay tuned for our shop and make sure to get some jewelry to support our ladies! They make great gifts as well!





Lemolo Project

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I was asked to evaluate a project funded by an organization I used to work for. Lemolo is a resettlement of people from the IDP camps that were displaced some years back. They have a wonderful agriculture project with sunflowers, a pre-school and a water project. Lots to learn for our community project!

New Sponsor: Esther starts Roots Academy next term

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Trip to Kigio Wildlife Conservancy

Our children are on holidays for the month of August and we are spending as much time as possible with them. Especially since we have a new sponsor enabling Esther Wanjiku to attend Roots Academy starting next term, we want the children to get to know each other better. We took Quinter, Grace and Esther to Kigio Wildlife Conservancy to learn about conservation and animals found in Kenya. Kigio Wildlife Conservancy is found between Gilgil and Naivasha, about one hour away from Nakuru.

A friend working for the conservancy drove us around and taught us about the three types of giraffes found in Kenya. We also observed warthogs, zebras, buffalos and different types of antelopes. We even managed to briefly observe hippos.

We had a great and informative day and enjoyed bonding time with our children! Thank you Kigio!





Mbabazi Sarah

After meeting Sarah in Uganda in 2013 and taking her to the hospital for a problem with her spine, we mainly focused on her diagnosis and treatment coming back to Uganda. We took her to Kampala to the hospital and she was diagnosed with spinal tuberculosis. Her case is very serious as she has suffered from TB without receiving treatment for about 5 years. Four of her vertebrae are partly or fully destroyed and after a year of TB treatment, she will need major spinal surgery. As the surgery and rehabilitation is impossible at her orphanage, we have started raising funds to facilitate her treatment.

Donate to Mbabazi Sarah's medical funds on our website.

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Sponsorships in Uganda

Celia travelled to Uganda at the beginning of the month to see the children at House of Hope in Kyazanga. The school has a lot of new children, some of the boarders are only three years old. House of Hope Project has increased to almost twice the number of children staying at the orphanage full time. There are new teachers and the school has performed incredibly well in the Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE). With so many new children, House of Hope is struggling to supply them with shoes. We are trying to bring shoes when going back in a few weeks.

Our nine sponsored children are doing well, two of them are excelling in their classes. All of them are healthy and happy and we took them to the next town to buy slippers. We are thankful for their sponsors and encourage all of them to send letters to their child. We will be returning to Uganda soon.

