

Abundant Life Living Hope International Missions



CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 2016



"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men, with whom He is pleased. (Luke 2: 13-14)

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Some of our Trustees were fortunate to visit Uganda in July and, below, are some of their recollections of the visit ...

Children at **MOTHER JANET** were happy and healthy and it was good to witness some of the improvements which had been made. New ovens had been fitted to help cope with the volume of food which needs to be prepared for the increased number of orphans.

In addition, storage cupboards had been fitted in the classrooms and new play equipment provided for the children.

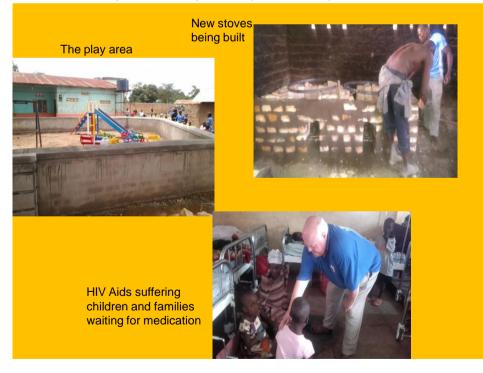
During their visit the Trustees were again so blessed to witness the work at **ACYP**.

Many children have been able to return to school as a result of funding provided by you. This is having a positive impact on the children themselves and on their families.

Many children and families were sent to Micheal's office, particularly resulting from the poor weather conditions which meant the crops had dried and they had very little – or often no – food to eat. ACYP were able to help in some very small way as funds were insufficient to help the large numbers in need. The need is so great and your support, both financially and prayerfully, is always much

appreciated.

Children suffering from HIV/AIDS are many. They, often together with family members also suffering from HIV/AIDS, flocked to the clinic (some needing to be transported by ACYP as they were too weak to walk the many miles to attend). Once there, they regularly have to wait many hours in extreme heat,



to gain the treatment they need. The Ugandan government provides medication free of charge but those suffering need food (or a glass of milk) to help them digest the medication and give them strength to cope with the strong drugs.

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Micheal has written with the following information: "We have had a longer, dry season than normal from May to September, making it hard for families to get food. We thank God that we have not lost any person due to starvation. We were able to give seeds to about 49 families. Food aid has continued to be given out to needy families. We lost a girl to HIV/AIDS - Nakanwagi Kevin (8 years). We continue to pray for nutritious food supplements.

During the summer months Pastor David Barlow and his group, Michael, Rev Bernard and Mr Steven & Mrs Elizabeth Mole from the UK visited and were able to witness the work we do at Mother Janet and ACYP".

Many of you will have received letters from your sponsored child/ren and we thank you for your continued support, which is much appreciated by the charity and by those who are benefitting from your generosity.

If you did not receive a letter this time, it may have been as a result of your sponsored child not being in the area at the time of the visit (letters were brought back in the summer by the Trustees who visited).

We have requested those in Uganda to ensure that letters are sent as soon as possible to those who missed the last post.

Many of these letters are written with the assistance of staff at the school as English is the second language for most of these children. Although conversation in English is good, written English takes a while to develop.

Last year, the ALLHIM charity once again received an amazing response to the appeal made for a plate of food at Christmas. Several hundred people were again able to receive a nutritious Christmas meal.

This year, we are again requesting your contributions towards a plate of food to make the orphans' Christmas special.

There is also a need within the village of



Mukoko and it is hoped that your generosity will again provide sufficient funds to enable food to be provided to the villagers. We are requesting £4.00 per plate

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of food. Your donations would be hugely appreciated and should be received by no later than Saturday, 5th November.

For sponsors who would like their sponsored child/ren to receive a Christmas gift, please write cheques to ALLHIM and send them to the Charity address by no later than 5th November, indicating the name of your sponsored child. As in previous years, the charity will liaise with the head teacher on the most suitable gift to the value of your donation.

Apologies for the early request for donations but, as mentioned in the last newsletter, those involved in the processing of gifts received – both here and in Uganda – all work in excess of fulltime hours and schedules get much too tight closer to Christmas. Also, the pupils at Mother Janet leave school at the end of November for their home villages, as school finishes then until they restart in February. Early receipt of gifts will ensure they are received in time for the recipients to take their gifts home when they leave. Thank you.

PRAISE AND PRAYER

We praise God for:

- His continued protection and guidance;
- Donations received towards food supply for needy families;
- Successful charity fundraising concerts and events.

Please pray for:

- P7 pupils as they complete their PLEs (primary leaving exams) in November;
- The work of Micheal and his volunteers in the villages surrounding Mother Janet School;
- Pupils and staff at Mother Janet school;
- God's continued protection on all who do His work in Uganda.



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EARLY CHRISTMAS WISHES TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS FROM ALL AT ALLHIM CHARITY

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