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Abundant Life Living Hope International Missions

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**YET THEIR REDEEMER IS
STRONG;
THE LORD ALMIGHTY IS HIS
NAME
(JEREMIAH 50:34)**

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

It was a privilege again to visit Uganda this year. I am always astounded by the progress we see on each mission trip when we visit at Easter. The growth of the different projects in which the charity is involved is immense. Your dedication in prayer and giving is yielding great results.

It was humbling to witness how people's lives have been changed. The Bible says that God defends the causes of the poor. In Jeremiah 49:11 He promises to protect the orphans. "Leave your orphans, I will protect them, your widows too can trust in Me". Our God is the same yesterday, today and forever. His promises are evident today. Through your generous support, God is showing compassion to the poor in Uganda. God has a plan and a purpose for the charity. As Elisha's prayer to God for his servant Gehazi's eyes to be opened, my prayer to God for both the charity and my family is to open our eyes. To see what God sees; to see His plans and purposes for the charity; to see that nothing hinders us from achieving them, and to see God's revelation because His revelation can turn decades into days.

Yours in Christ

Roger Elver

MOTHER JANET UPDATE

This year, two orphans from Mother Janet have died. Both were suffering from HIV/AIDS and, due to their low immune systems, could not fight off illness. Tuberculosis claimed the life of Paul and malaria claimed Fahad's life. May their souls rest in eternal peace. It has been a sad time for the children and staff at the orphanage. However, despite all the sadness they may go through, there is always a radiant smile on their faces.

The charity has been able to purchase the medical kits to test for HIV/AIDS in the children we support. This enables us to provide them with the necessary diet and treatment which gives them a better quality and much longer life.

Working at Mother Janet is not just a day job. Staff have to be accommodated at the school in order to supervise the children day and night. We thank God for the provision of funds, enabling us to construct three rooms for staff accommodation. There is also a need to extend a classroom and dining room, due to the increasing number of children.



COMMUNITY WORK

ACTION FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE (UGANDA)

Since we started the partnership with Action for Children and Young People Uganda, it is astonishing to see how many lives are being changed. The work is growing and the projects in the community have increased, now including animal keeping, supply of seeds to grow crops, donation of food parcels to poor/HIV families, hygiene programme and supporting children back into schools.

We witnessed a family which had sold the mother pig and used the money to pay for their medication and other supplies. On offering them food parcels, they refused saying that there were other families who needed them more. The head start we gave them, through the pig and goat project, as well as providing them with seeds to grow food, has enabled them to be self-sufficient and earn a living from selling the surplus. Some piglets were passed on to other families. This could never have happened without your generous support. There are more families who are in need of this support.



The children below have also benefitted from your support of the work of ACYP. All of them have disabilities but are able to participate in community and educational activities which enable them to develop, not only their social skills but also their confidence and self-esteem.

The team in Uganda thank God for the work and for your continued support.



REAL LIFE STORIES

Meet PENINNA, a widow who has her hands full looking after her two disabled grandchildren who are also HIV positive. Alex, and his cousin Dennis, contracted HIV from their parents (Peninna's son and daughter) who passed away, leaving her with the two boys. Alex is blind, unable to sit or walk, and lies on a mat day and night.

When Peninna goes to the field all day to get food for the boys, she leaves Alex and Dennis in the house, with no-one to care for them. Dennis, who has learning difficulties, just wanders about. Peninna says life is very hard, especially in her old age, as she has to carry Alex to give him personal care. Peninna is very grateful for the help she receives from ACYP. ALLHIM charity, working in partnership with ACYP, reaches out to those who are destitute like Peninna, Alex and Dennis giving them hope for the future.



Pennina, Alex & Dennis

PRAISE AND PRAYER

We praise God for:

- Plans for the secondary school, which have now been drawn. We can proceed with the first phase when funds allow.
- The successful mission trip to Uganda at Easter.
- The provision of funds to further various projects.



Please pray for:

- Good health for the children and staff at Mother Janet. Many are suffering from malaria.
 - Provision of funds to begin the construction of the secondary school.
 - ALLHIM charity - to further its work in Uganda.
 - More sponsors for children at Mother Janet and within the community.
 - Micheal Mwebaza and all at ACYP for the extensive work they do.
 - A good rain season as the crops failed last year.
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