

“The Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project”



NEW LIFE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

- Philippians 4:6-7 -

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with joy and thanksgiving we can present to you some wonderful pictures from the Good Samaritan Christmas party from December 14, 2009. All festive occasions in Uganda are celebrated with a cake and this party was no exception as Pastor Sam's wife Zoe made a beautiful one. So here are some of the Good Samaritan students receiving their Christmas gifts.



**Patrick Nyakojo, Sam, Zoe,
Tadeo, Nuuru**



Tadeo Katuramu



Charles Mugume



Christine Namara

Pastor Sam also had some remarks to make to the attendees of the party: “The guest of honor chairman L.C. III, Busoro, the vice chairperson L.C. III, the church leaders present, the advisory committee members of the project, guardians, our esteemed sponsored children, invited guests, ladies and gentlemen. May I warmly welcome you all to this function where we celebrate the birth of our redeemer who came to seek and to save the lost. We also celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project. We also are so humbled at what God has done and continue to do in and through this project, a ministry of mercy and compassion. Many children, guardians and others have been blessed as God's love, mercy, provision, and abundant grace has continued to flow in and through the sponsors to our Ugandan children. Glory and honor be to God. As we close the year, 102 children have been fully sponsored with uniforms, tuition fees, stationery, lunch, medical, shoes and most importantly God's love in various institutions, schools and grades. Six have been in the University and one girl Joselyn Kirungi will be graduating in January 2010 with a degree in urban planning. Two boys sat for their S-6 exams in Nyakarura High School, doing sciences while six sat for S-4 exams. We pray that they will all do well.

Appreciation go first to our loving and faithful God who has continued touching people's hearts to love and graciously provide in the past 15 years of our service, despite the credit crunch world wide, God has faithfully continued to provide. We are highly indebted to our U.S. co-coordinators for their hearts of advocacy and faithfulness. We are so thankful to the sponsors and to Harvest International through which the money is channeled. We thank God for our money always comes in time and is paid in some cases a week before the term opens. The project has earned a good name unlike some others in the same field where money either comes in late or never at all. Thank you Jesus, thank you our sponsors and all the stake holders. We are so thankful to the advisory committee members for the voluntary spirit, guidance, counseling, etc. We thank the guardians for keeping the children, the schools where they go as well as the government, especially the local leadership here for the conducive environment, support and encouragement. Your presence today despite a tight program is evidence of your love. Thank you so much. We also thank the sponsored children for your cooperation, the songs and all the presentations you made. It is one thing to take a horse to a river and another for it to reach out and take the water.

The credit crunch has affected as some of the sponsors have pulled out and some children were removed from the project. The high costs of materials have also affected us, like transport, food prices etc. Some few children have not faithfully attended Bible studies and Sunday services as required. We have met with them and their guardians and hope for a positive change. One boy was indefinitely suspended from school due to discipline problems. The advisory committee recommended for his removal from the project as he had appeared three times before the committee cautioned and warned without taking heed. We are however thankful to God despite the challenges mentioned above, we are able to close the year with no debts at all. All school fees, etc. were cleared. Today each child besides the gigantic cake before us, the delicious meal, will go home with an umbrella and a school bag back pack. We are thankful to our sponsors for providing all these on top of the other school requirements. Allow me to thank the ladies of the church led by Zoe and all who have helped in preparing what we will eat and drink. Let us each celebrate Christmas and be filled with the joy and peace for those who know Him as the Lord and Savior and invite Him to be born in your heart and live. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all."



Daniel Ngonzi



Medruth Neema



Nuuru Manyireki

**In His Arms,
Pastor Sam & Zoe Kasule Dick and Barb Johnson**

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