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Hello Friend



Putting Christ into the Crisis of Uganda

Fall, 2011

Another Mission, Abundant Blessings!

This summer's trip was incredible - Wow! What an amazing team of co-laborers from Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church in Lakewood. I was blown away with their unending faithfulness and willingness to serve.

The container that we sent back in February arrived in time for us to distribute the majority of it's contents. The backpacks and school bags were a Huge blessing to hundreds of local schoolchildren. All of our Ahadi kids and grandmas received one. It was heartwarming to see the towns and villages swarming with kids and their packs. We distributed books and Bibles to a local prison library, and set up a computer lab at ChristAid Primary School with the donated computer equipment.

God brought such a great variety of talents in the individuals on our team. They served in prison outreach, arranged a luncheon and nutrition seminar for our Grandmas, organized a ChristAid Primary School craft and field day, got dirty doing painting projects, made home visits, lead a pastor's seminar on servant leadership, put on an AIDS prevention lecture at Mountains of the Moon University, the list goes on! We now even have an official science lab with microscopes and other supplies at our school, which is really unheard of for a Primary School - especially in such a rural area.

God always has a way of orchestrating things in His perfect timing, and one of the beautiful stories that transpired on this trip was about a little girl named Margaret.

Her mother and grandmother had died a while back leaving her with an elderly grandfather and a difficult and abusive father when she was about eight years old.

Margaret was so bright that even at such a young age, she was chosen to be the official interpreter at our Primary

School when English speaking guests would visit.

She was desperately poor though and among other awful things, she would get kicked out of the house on occasion by her father in one of his rages and forced to sleep outside amidst the mosquitoes, predators and thieves.

I met her about a year prior, and prayed and prayed for her! God brought her a sponsor on this team. Her life changed drastically within 48 hours. What an answer to prayer!



Our team visited Margaret's dysfunctional home on a Saturday. With all the blessings received, her father ended up coming to church the next day and repented in front of the congregation. Margaret moved into a safer environment - a good boarding school.

There she was reunited with another lovely orphan girl (older than she) who was originally from Margaret's same village. Her friend immediately welcomed Margaret and made her feel comfortable at her new school.

She does not have to sleep outside any more, and she can now get a good education and have time to study.

This is just another miracle story of what our Ahadi Kids program can accomplish by God's grace, and how God uses us here, 8,000 miles away to make an enormous difference in one person's life.

May God continue to use you in mighty ways. Hope to see you at our annual fundraising event in November!

Anne Dean
Executive Director, USA



A Family Urgently Needs Your Help

Recent tragic events in Kampala have left thousands of families homeless and many children are in immediate need of sponsorship. If you have ever considered sponsoring a child, now is the time!

In an area known as Naguru and Nakawa, where low income housing developments were established by the government in the 1950's, private developers obtained government approval to take away the land and housing for all residents with just over a week's notice with no compensation.

According to one resident whose house was destroyed in the exercise: "I was devastated, disturbed and quite confused as Kampala City Council personnel with bulldozers, backed up



by riot police, started razing our houses early in the morning on July

3rd. We tried desperately to save our belongings, messing up some, losing some to looters amidst dust, debris and tear gas randomly fired by riot police."

This all happened midway through school's second term. Many nursery school children and primary and secondary students have dropped out of school.

We are seeking sponsors for many of those children affected as well as one time donations of \$300 to help a family get back on their feet by providing transitional needs and three month's rent. Of course, any amount is appreciated.

Please mail in a 'Prayer and Financial Support' card, notating your donation toward: Ahadi Kids/Naguru-Nakawa Eviction Project. Please also note if you are interested in sponsoring a child or giving a one time donation.

You can also give online at www.christaidinc.org. Click the 'donate online' button on the right side of the home page.

We cannot do this without your help and we are grateful for anything you can do. May God bless you abundantly and replenish your resources all for His glory!

An Evening With ChristAid, Inc.



Dr. Tererai Trent

We are honored to have

Oprah Winfrey's "All-Time Favorite Guest"

as keynote speaker for our fundraising event this year!

Dr. Tererai Trent, PhD, is a senior consultant with more than eighteen years of international experience in professional program and policy evaluation.

Dr. Trent hopes to improve life for others through her inspiring work, which has taken her to five continents.

Come and hear about her life experiences growing up as a desperately poor child in Zimbabwe and her amazing story of hope and perseverance.

Dr. Trent's gentle eloquence and rich authenticity will leave you with a lasting impression of what it means to overcome the humble beginnings and to never give up on your goals.

Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear her speak. Father to the Fatherless music ministry will also be there to bless us with some great African music and delicious hors d'oeuvres will be provided as well. Hope to see you there!

An Evening With ChristAid A Celebration of Compassion

Saturday, November 12, 6:00 p.m.

Business Casual Attire

\$25 per person / \$75 per family

R.S.V.P. by November 5th to www.christaidinc.org
or call our office at: 303-463-2932

This is our only fundraiser for the year!
Ticket price covers food and entertainment.
A love offering will be taken for our ministry work in 2012.

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