# ROCK PROJECTS UGANDA



### **COUCHING HEARTS, CHANGING LIVES**

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### P7 Candidates

It was such a joy to receive the results of our P7 candidates who had sat their national PLE exams last Nov. The results came back at the end of January and we are delighted to let you know both Kitetikka Pri School & Sunbeams Pri passed with only 1st & 2nd grade results - the best we've ever had! A huge congratulations to all our students.

### A new look!

We had the real privilege of hosting Alan Christie, a friend from Scotland who is a very talented artist! He came to spend two weeks with us in Uganda and completely changed the look of Sunbeams dormitory. From boring and dull to all things bright and beautiful! With a theme of 'Our Father's World' the children are learning all about the different seasons and animals of the world. Thank you so much Alan, and to your church Albert Gospel Hall Christian Fellowship for all their support! Please see the photo to the right.



## Where do we start!?

Sometimes it hard to put into words all that is going on in Uganda, as our ministry is so diverse and new situations arise on a daily basis! We are so grateful to God for allowing us to be a small part of making a big difference to many. Life here at times can be overwhelming as the need is so great, however we take comfort in this quote 'Do for one what you wish you could do for everyone.' Andy Stanley.

Whether it be helping a child, a sick patient or elderly grandmother we try as best as we can not to turn anyone away - however the reality is that resources and money limit us. So again, we would like to say how much we appreciate each and everyone of you who gives monthly or on a one off basis, your sacrificial giving makes this ministry more effective, and for that we are so grateful.



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#### **Meet Erin!**

It's such a delight to have people come and volunteer with us. We are excited to have Erin Povey, 19, from Kent, England. Erin has come to volunteer for 2 months, and has already been a huge blessing! Working some days in Busiika and some in Kitetikka - the kids already love Auntie Erin!

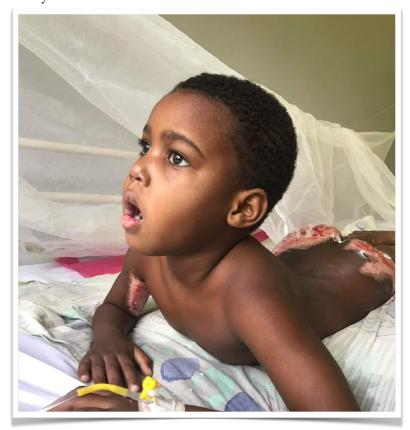
## Shinah's story

# CHILD SPONSORSHIP STORY

Shinah's life turned upside down last year when her lovely mother passed away unexpectedly. She was in P7 studying hard for her final national exams when she returned home one day and found her mum had passed away. Shinah has 3 younger siblings, and is the only one her mother had managed to support through school. Now with both her parents dead she only has her elderly grandmother there was absolutely no hope for Shinah's education to go further. However, we are so grateful to have a kind supporter who visited Uganda around the time of Shiah's mother's death and decide to sponsor Shinah to bring hope to her in this very trying situation and enable her to go to highschool. If you've been thinking about sponsorship, why not sponsor one of Shinah's siblings?

## Kibanga Heath Center

During the week of Valentines, we decided to do a church outreach to the local government hospital. We asked church members to donate soap & sugar which we took to the sick patients. It was quite an experience as we soon realised that there was absolutely no medicine, not even paracetamol or disposable gloves - and yet the patients were many. When people go to a government facility here the medical care is supposed to be free but this is far from true. With no medicine and no care from doctors and nurses the only hope for help is to pass over money. There is no justice in this as most people don't have any so they are left alone and often die when they could have been saved. During our visit we met **Monira**, a 5 year old girl who's body had been badly burnt in a charcoal stove accident. We found Monira in extremely excruciating pain - and the worst part she wasn't receiving any care at all, not even a paracetamol to control the pain! Our hearts were truly broken for her, and her single mother with a young baby told us that she had prayed every night for God to send someone to come and help Monica. It was such a privilege to bring Monira to Kibanga Medical Center where she is now receiving the treatment, care and attention that she needs. We would love to give a huge thank you to everyone who has donated towards her care.



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### Tea is served!

We are so grateful to Waypoint Mission team for sponsoring a morning snack and cup of porridge for all the high school students during this 1st term. The team also sent money for sinks to be installed into all 3 wards in the medical center. They also provided the funds for chairs for The Ark. We are so grateful to each of them for blessing us all in so many ways.

### Gospel Crusade in Kitetikka

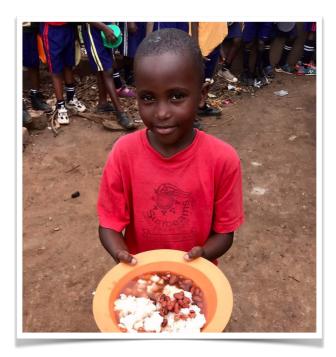
We started the year in the best way possible by having a 21 days Daniel fast and at the end of it had an open air gospel crusade for 5 days! It was wonderful and we were delighted to have Apostle Experito join us.

## Lifegroups in Busiika

Church in Busiika continues to flourish, with new comers each and every week. Life groups midweek have really been such a blessing for so many. We read the Bible, pray and support each other in smaller groups.

### A great harvest!

Well 2024 has seen the greatest harvest of food at the farm! We've had over 800 kilos of posho (maize crushed & ground), an abundance of sweet potato as well as other products. A huge thank you once again to the kind sponsor who donated a brand new tractor. With prices of food ever on the rise we are delighted to have this harvest to help us feed the children at school!



## Thank you!

While we have so much to tell you we don't want to make this newsletter too lengthy, but instead promise to be update you a little more often.

For those of you who are sponsoring children in either Kitetikka or Busiika if you have not received an update in a while please let us know by email <a href="mailto:info@rockprojectsuganda.org">info@rockprojectsuganda.org</a> or by text/call +447812975977

We'd like to remind you to follow Rock Projects Uganda on Facebook & instagram where we do regular updates.

Thank you so very much for all you do, words can't express how grateful we are.

With all our love, RPU