

Arise Africa International Bukaleba Babies Home

Report for 1st January 2019 to 26th March 2019

Greetings from Arise Africa Bukaleba Children's Centre. It's my prayer that you, your families and ministries are doing well. Thank-you for your love and support over the years; may our good Lord richly bless you. 2019 has begun well at Arise Africa International and specifically the Children's Centre the Lord has continually encouraged us from His word in Psalm 46: 8-11, this year



we feel strongly that the Lord is giving us peace to allow us grow and expand again. Our goal in 2019 is to continue our commitment to see each of our children develop a personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ, excel morally, academically and become a reliable citizen who will positively contribute towards the growth of Uganda and globally. Please see below an account of what God has enabled us accomplish this far.

Gracefully God has entrusted us with a total population of seven hundred ninety six (796) children at the children's Centre. Twenty five (25) of these are in the babies' home, four hundred twenty six (426) are in the primary and nursery school while three hundred forty five (345) are in the secondary school. All our children are healthy, happy and enjoying a Christ-like environment at our Bukaleba Children's Centre.

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We are grateful to God for watching over our forty one (41) children that had gone to be with their guardians for Christmas Holidays. They all returned alive, some worn out from the harsh village conditions and others with smiling faces loaded with gifts from their guardians. Together with our social worker and our counselor we are listening to them and giving one on one counseling.

On 4th February as per the governments academic calendar we officially opened primary school and the secondary school for Term one 2019 academic calendar. We appreciate our teachers who continue to teach despite an outstanding four months of unpaid salaries all amounting to twenty thousand two hundred and five (\$20,205) dollars. We were able to pay their February salary and have made plans to ensure they are paid every end of Month. Please pray that God will provide us a lump sum of \$20,205 to enable us clear their outstanding four months arrears.



Finally we finished renovation of the Babies Home Managers' Houses , both the Manager and the Assistant Manager reside within the babies home compound strengthening our 24 hours staffs and children supervision, we are so grateful for this achievement.



We have started renovation of the Headmistress' house within the same vicinity, once complete the Headmistress with equally be able to effectively monitor supervision of the children and the staff at the primary school.

Currently she is residing at the secondary school staff quarters.

In addition to our regular spiritual, physical and mental development programs at the children's Centre, the Via family have consistently carried out ministry at the babies home once every two weeks, the children love them. We are grateful that God is using the Via Children to minister to our Babies at the Babies Home.





God has been faithful to send us guests in the months of January February and March we Hosted Pastor Stan and Mama Gigi from Austin Christian fellowship, Pastor Magumba and His wife Prossy from Greater Love Ministries Uganda, Kim and John Silverberg from greater love Ministries Uganda, Rick and Mama Janet from world reach Ministries, Joshua and his daughter Aryena from Journey Church. They all brought us love, gifts of food and clothes, stationary and the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.



In addition we hosted a delegate of Indian nationality from Mayuge Sugar Company, the came loaded with love and food stuff. We are so grateful to God for the ways He continues to provide for us.

We continue to prayerfully ask God to provide homes for our children who have no families to return home to. We see God begin to answer our prayers. Kim and John Silverberg from Missouri serving with Greater Love Ministries Uganda and Mr and Mrs. Wakabi have requested our blessings to begin adoption process for three of our children, namely James (who was found abandoned in a forest reserve), Caleb and Abigail (who were both rescued thrown in Pit latrines), please pray for these families and also for favor before the government as we pursue their Adoptions. Also pray that we can have funds to build a foster home for children that will not be adopted and have no guardians to return to.



Baby James

Abigail

Caleb

We have held two successful meetings with the Madam Millie Mayuge probation officer, during the meetings a way forward was discussed on

1. A follow-up procedure to guardians that mistreat the children while at home, this will begin with a sensitization meeting with all our babies home guardians to be held on 10th May 2019, this will be followed by gradual Home visits hopefully.

As a team we will be committed to overall providing of love and security for not only our babies home children but also other children in the community.

2. Babies home registration, we need \$ 3,000 to finish the registration process
3. Adoption procedures both local and international.
4. Ways to strengthen babies home partnership with the District and the national government.
5. Staff training / capacity building on Childcare.

God has blessed our plans to grow our own food to feed our children at the Centre, in February we were able to feed our children with 4,500kgs of Posho (Corn Meal) from our garden, currently we have sweet potatoes and cassava being fed to the children, our goal is to grow all the food we need at the Centre, to enable us surplus funds to be able to pay our staff well and on time.



Amidst many administrative challenges all our ninety two (92) children that sat for their 2018 National Exams received their results, seventy seven (77) of them have been promoted to their next level of education while fifteen (15) have been advised to repeat their classes to allow them an opportunity to perform better, in 2019 we are projecting a total of 224 candidates that will sit their PLE, O Level and A level exams please pray that God will help us prepare them well so they can all pass their exams satisfactorily.

Spiritual development is our Key aspect at the children Centre, we hold daily Morning and evening devotions, Saturday Fellowship and Sunday service.



On 23rd of March God graced our weekend worship service with over 50 children from both our primary and secondary school gave their lives to Christ. We are discipling them and we hope to baptize them by the end of term one.

Counselling

Our Counsellor Madam Anne and our acting Babies Home Manager / Social Worker did their best to follow up children during the Christmas Holidays. (See her attached Report). Unfortunately due to financial constraints and Logistics they were not able to reach all the Children, we plan that this program will be continuous; we are yet to sit down and map a way forward for her program focus this year. We need four hundred sixteen dollars (\$416) to pay the counsellor for the work done.

I hope that God will open doors for communication with Dickson, Director Buckner Kenya, to enable us fulfill our staffs training goal in 2019.

Please Pray that God will give us thirty four thousand six hundred twenty five dollars (**\$34,625**) to meet the below needs

1. Twenty thousand two hundred and five (**\$ 20,205**) dollars to clear four months pending teachers' salaries.
2. Six thousand nine hundred forty four (**\$6,944**) dollars to develop a borehole to serve both the babies home and the primary school.
3. Five thousand six hundred seventy six (**\$5,676**) dollars to strengthen solar power at the babies' home and primary school.
4. One thousand eight hundred (**\$1,800**) dollars to repair the roof ventilation at the babies' home.

We also need Sixty thousand forty dollars (**\$60,040**) dollars to develop a foster home for the babies without any relative or guardian to return.

Meanwhile I remain committed to empower and encourage my team to embrace 1st Timothy 4:12, as our leadership model and

- i. Be an example in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity.
- ii. Use a parent Management Model, thus be a parent to the children
- iii. Be actively involved in the Children's spiritual, social, educational and physical lives and welfare

Thank- you again for your Godly guidance and help always.

May God richly bless you!

Rev. Godfrey Wanamitsa

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