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ARISE AFRICA INTERNATIONAL-NEWS UPDATE - JULY -DECEMBER 2019

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." (Psalm 91:1-2) Christmas Greetings from Arise Africa International! It's always our prayer that all goes well with you, your families and ministries and that you may prosper in every way as you grow in your Spiritual life in Christ. Thank you for your love and support over the years; may our good Lord richly bless you. Year 2019 has been quite challenging at Arise Africa International in many ways but our good LORD has continually encouraged us from His word in Psalm 46: 8-11. As we end 2019 and look at the beginning of 2020 we are encouraged by His word in Psalm 91 to find peace and rest in the Lord as we continually seek Him in prayer. We feel more confident in the Lord and His word that, *He who began the good work in us will bring it to accomplishment in Christ to the Glory of His name. We look forward to having a productive year in His Kingdom work and we request for your prayers and financial support as we seek to fulfill His will in 2020 in the ministry of Arise Africa International.*

Arise Africa Bukaleba Children's Centre

With great delight we exalt our God who has entrusted us with a total population of Eight hundred (800) children in our center this year. Twenty two (22) are still under direct care of Babies' home, Four hundred forty one (441) in primary and nursery school, Three hundred thirty seven (337) in our secondary school and about one hundred staff (100) AAI staff. We continue to serve with the aim of providing a Christ centered education to all our children while ensuring that they attain Moral and Academic excellence. We are very grateful to the Lord that His Grace has always been sufficient to accomplish his work in us and the ministry.

Bukaleba Babies Home:



We bring heartfelt greetings from our Bukaleba Babies' Home.

We bless the LORD for your prayers, material and financial support you have always given towards this great work. Without you we wouldn't have reached this far. May the Almighty God continue blessing you according to His riches in glory!

Arise Africa Bukaleba Babies Home is apparently providing education, food, shelter, medical care to sixty seven (67) children:

- i) Twenty two (22) children (between the age of 2 months and 9 years), this includes (8) Female and (14) Male who are at the Babies Home. Fourteen (14) of these children study at our nursery and primary school, while five (5) more children are expected to join Baby Class come 2020.
- ii) Forty five (45) children were resettled with their guardians. These mean that they stay with babies' home for 9 months and 3 months with their guardians every year. (Thirty five children go to primary school and Ten (10) children at the Secondary School).
This year Thirty three (33) children have been asked by their guardians to spend their end of year holidays with them, while the rest stayed to spend their holiday at Bukaleba Babies' home. We pray that God watches over during these holidays.

New Arrivals at the Babies home

With great joy we would like to introduce to you our new baby girl Namuganza Selina, whom we received on 5th September, 2019. Her mother passed away on 31st August, 2019 immediately after giving birth. And Selina's father was arrested around Rwanda - Zaire (Congo) border. A medical assessment made at Mayuge Health Centre 3 indicated that Namuganza Selina was a 7.5 months premature baby girl with normal limbs, normal breathing and no congenital abnormalities.



Photo: Namuganza Selina now at 2 months is growing into vibrant health Baby..

On admission Selina weighed 2 kgs and she was introduced to a comprehensive one-on-one premature management, and exclusive bottle feeding so as to cope up with growth and development. We pray that God will continue protecting her from all forms of illness as she grows to become wonderful servant of God.



One of our major responsibilities is ensuring that our children are in good health.

On the 16th of November, 2019 all our remaining children were immunized as per the program of the Ministry of Health. The campaign aimed at vaccinating children below 15 years of age against Polio, and measles rubella. About Forty five (45) Babies' Home Children were immunized by Uganda Ministry of health

With great pleasure we glorify God for Pastor Smooth Via and his family, who have always been a part of Bukaleba Children's center most especially the Babies' home. During their visits our children



enjoy structural play activities which include memorizing Bible verses, extra coaching, singing, dancing, and reciting poems and building blocks. These activities help our children to grow intellectually, spiritually, socially and physically.

Pastor Smooth's children with Aunt Patricia and Children during structural play at Babies Home.

Our God has continued to graciously bless the work of our hands! The home was able to engage in the growing of bananas (matooke) which are yielding a good harvest. So far, we have harvested four (4) bunches of Matooke for Home consumption. A nursery bed of egg plants has also been raised and will be transplanted to the main garden soon.



Photo: Ronald transplanting 70 Banana Suckers and Auntie Peruth Harvesting Matooke.

ARISE AFRICA CHRISTIAN NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thanks to the Lord who has mightily worked in us and in our nursery and primary school from the time it was established till now. We believe He is taking us to greater heights every year.

On 3rd and 4th of November, 2019, Twenty one (21) candidates successfully sat for their Primary Leaving Exams and we are trusting God for the best results. It is a great blessing that Eight (8) of these candidates are our children from Bukaleba Babies' Home. We praise God for the way he is developing our Nursery and primary school.



Photo: Some of the candidates excited after finishing their last exam paper.

ARISE AFRICA CHRISTIAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

We are overwhelmed with joy to share with you what God is doing in our Secondary school.



We take this opportunity to thank God for his mercy, love and provision upon Arise Africa Christian secondary school since its beginnings. We also thank our friends and partners for the prayers, and all support you have always given towards the growth of our school, please know that we greatly value your partnership in the ongoing work of the Lord in A.A.I.

Term three of academic year 2019 ended well on 25th November.

The LORD has gifted us with a hardworking teaching staff and administration who are working tirelessly to ensure excellent performance in our school.

At the end of term three of every year, candidates (senior 4 and senior 6) sit for national exams while other classes sit for internal exams.

Fifty eight (58) candidates in senior four were able to sit for exams that started on 14th October. Unfortunately, Two (2) students did not turn up for exams, while twenty one (21) candidates in senior six sat for their national exams that started on 11th November, 2019.

We continue to praise God because both national and internal exams were sat for successfully and we expect excellent results.

ARISE AFRICA INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH:

Praise be to the Lord for all our friends and partners who have prayerfully and financially contributed to Arise Africa leadership training. At the beginning of the year 2019 we were able to train twenty one (21) Pastors with a goal of training 528 other Pastors in preparations of the planned Church growth strategy of achieving Spiritual growth in 264 AAI Churches and Church planting of 264 new AAI Churches.

We are glad to inform you that 83 Pastors have so far been trained, which includes;



1. Mainland zone where training was held at Bukiike Baptist church. Twenty four (24) church leaders were trained.
2. Kaliro South. Training was held at Kiseege Baptist church and Twenty six (26) church leaders were trained.
3. Bugiri zone, Training was held at Kaato Baptist church and Eighteen (18) church leaders were trained.
4. Kaliro North zone where Fifteen (15) church leaders were trained.

The remaining zones will continue their training next year 2020.

Staff missions:

One of our AAI strategies to reach the lost is AAI Missions, our management staff led by Pastor Smooth, reaches out to our village churches and their communities with the purpose of evangelizing, strengthening, equipping and empowering AAI Church leaders and members through;



1. Training and strengthening church leaders.
2. Women's ministry
3. Children's ministry
4. Health and hygiene training
5. And leading souls to Christ.
6. Crusades and house to house evangelism.

On addition to the staff missions we had during earlier months of this year 2019, our staff team travelled to Nantamaali Baptist church, Luuka district to work with churches in the zone, with the aim of building and encouraging them in Christ, on 21st - 23rd August 2019. We request you to read our staff mission blog on AAI website (www.ariseafricaint.org) for detailed information about staff missions. Thank you for your unceasing prayers towards our staff missions.

AAI CHURCH PRAYER RETREATS:

We exalt and thank God who has continually provided for us to hold AAI National prayer retreats where all AAI churches come together three times a year to fast, seek and pray to the LORD at our Bukaleba Secondary school grounds.



AAI National prayer retreats were held on 29th-31st of August, and on 5th-7th of December this year. We sincerely thank all our friends who

joined us when we invited you to seek the Lord together.

Baptisms:

Between the months of July and December, a total of 57 converts were baptized.



1. Thirteen (13) people, from Kalagala Baptist church
2. Twenty four (24) people, from Buudo Baptist church
3. Twenty (20) people, from Kyankwanzi Baptist church

We celebrate with them for the decision they made to give their life to the Savior.

Weddings:



It is required that a church leader should be blameless according to 1Timothy 2:1-5 and Titus 2: 1-5, and one of the requirements as a church leader in AAI is to be properly married before the church.

It is a great joy that our churches are responding positively to this call. Between the months of July and December, 2019, the following couples were joined together in Holy matrimony;

1. Pastor Magayi Livingstone and Mrs. Jackline Magayi, from Tongolo Baptist Church
- Eria and Grace Hamber (leaders in church), Kikondo Baptist church
2. Pastor Odhiambo Geoffrey, Kikondo Baptist church
3. Pastor Rogers Isabirye and Nakamya, from Ikumbya Baptist church-Luuka district.

We wish them happiness and abundant peace as they continue to serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

As the ministry of Arise Africa International, we have many plans for next year 2020 but all these plans can only be achieved with your prayers and support. We therefore request for your unceasing prayers and support towards the following needs;

- a. Pray about supporting a child at babies' home, Nursery, Primary and Secondary schools at **(\$35)** dollars per month.
- b. Funds to build one more class room block for our Primary school **(\$40,000)**
- c. Two thousand seven hundred and sixty four **(\$2,764)** dollars to purchase and install twenty (20) desktop computers and a printer for the secondary school
- d. One thousand three hundred and forty-four **(\$1,344)** dollars to finish the secondary school laboratory.
- e. Babies Home staff capacity Building; one thousand seventy-five **(\$1,075)** dollars
- f. Six thousand nine hundred forty-four **(\$6,944)** dollars to develop a new borehole to serve both the babies' home and the primary school
- g. More students to enroll in our nursery, primary and secondary schools.
Mobilization budget **(\$450)**
- h. One thousand eight hundred **(\$1,800)** dollars to repair the roof ventilation at the babies' home.
- i. Sixty thousand forty **(\$60,040)** dollars to develop a foster home for children who will not be adopted and have no homes to return to.
- j. More people to accept Jesus Christ during our mission trips **(\$50)** monthly budget next year.
- k. Funds to buy Outreach ministry van, land for some churches and also be able to build church structures for those that are lacking (seven thousand **(\$7000)**)

May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

We wish you

A Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!!!

If your support is regarding evangelism and church planting, please set up your automatic donation at: <https://www.wrpartners.org/donate>. (Under "Designation" please make sure that you select "Arise Africa International")

If your support is regarding our Bukaleba Children's Center, please set up your automatic donation at: <https://www.iloveorphans.com/donate>.

If you would like to donate by cash or check, please contact the appropriate ministry above to find out how to do so.

Thank you so much for your ongoing prayers and future support!