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Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry

It is always a pleasure to write and update you of the Ministry you are consistently upholding in prayer and financially supporting .

May God bless you always too.

I am ever so grateful for your love and concern for the girl child who falls into motherhood at such an early age.

Sponsorship Program has currently 25 girls in school and this month was the time for parents to pay a visit to the schools .

Well, Wakisa Ministries played that that role and visited all the school girls, looked at their mid term reports and took each one some snacks.

This program still remains a major transforming and empowering component of the Wakisa Ministries to the young mothers. The reason we take them to boarding schools is that these girls complain of the heavy workload of home chores which distracts them from concentration in their studies.

There is a waiting list of some 10 young mothers who are so desperate to be reintegrated into schools. We will be grateful if you can support any of these girls.



Deliveries of Babies

As we moved to another hospital, there are 4 girls that have had lovely babies.

Specioza a 14 year old and quite short had a very big baby who was delivered by Caesarian section. She had a baby boy, sadly through rape and she never accepted the baby until a few weeks before she went in labour .

Her story is also pathetic as her mum left home when Specioza was 4 years old. She was mistreated by her step mother who never believed that she was raped. Her dad too never liked her and they both sent her to live with her old grandma when she became 10 years .

Specioza was so traumatized so she received on going counseling. She struggled with nightmares of the rape experience .She also missed her mother so much and could not remember how she looked like.

Specioza accepted Christ in my office some day. The Lord answered her prayers when her mum was contacted by the grandma and she came to Wakisa after Specioza had the baby. We were all thrilled though Specioza did not know who this Woman was,she could hardly tell it was her mom!

They have now gone back home with the baby !!



SPECIOZA WITH HER BABY AND MUM



WINNIE WITH HER BABY



GIRLS MENDING THEIR MOSQUITO NETS

Special case

Mulago Hospital has been closed for renovation. During its closure, most of the patients were transferred to a smaller government hospital while others were discharged. Mary a 17 year old pregnant girl had been living in the corridors of this hospital and used to beg for food. She was brought to us by kind nurses of Mulago Hospital and we are still trying to establish her home and family.

Mary says her mum sent her away from their home in the village and she boarded a bus and came to Kampala.

The Ministry has again come in the lime light as we were invited for a press conference to represent NGO's helping young pregnant girls. A member of Parliament was launching an anti early pregnancy campaign before she tabled it in the Parliament.

<http://www.monitor.co.ug/News/National/MP-launches-anti-early-pregnancy-campaign/688334-3360946-hgdsfc/index.html>

MP launches anti-early pregnancy campaign
The Bukwo District Women MP, Ms Evelyne Chemutai, has launched a campaign against early child pregnancy
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(L-R): UWOPA chairperson, Monicah Amoding; Bukwo Woman MP, Evelyne Chemutai; White Ribbon Alliance communications officer, Faridah Luyiga and Wakisa ministries director Vivian Kityo



BABY EMMA

Girls at the Center

With 30 girls currently at the centre, they attend vocational skills and have maternity dresses, 64 paper necklaces, paper bags, and grown vegetables in agriculture classes.

This month was a time of sowing and transplanting seedlings.

Bible classes have formed prayer groups for girls to learn how to pray for each other and make life long friends.

They have also been taught how to mend mosquito nets, dresses and bed covers.

listen to a 13-year-old pregnant girl narrate her ordeal. PHOTO BY ERIC DOMINIC BUKENYA.

In Summary

Step. The MP says she will move a motion seeking Parliament to debate the issue of teenage pregnancy

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By Isaac Imaka

PARLIAMENT.

The Bukwo District Women MP, Ms Evelyne Chemutai, has launched a campaign against early child pregnancy.

Addressing journalists last Thursday, Ms Chemutai said early pregnancy is a problem which, if not fought, will undo the successes the country has registered in promoting women emancipation.

"In Bukwo District, it is common to see a child carrying a baby on their back. Most of our girls get married before their 18th birthday," she said.

"This is unacceptable. The other day, a Primary Seven pupil in Luweero District was allegedly defiled by her teachers. She developed complications when they tried to help her abort.

My fellow MPs are following up this case and have instructed police to play its part," she added.

According to the 2011 Uganda demographic and health survey report, one of four girls in Uganda aged between 15 and 19 is already a mother or pregnant with her first child. The same survey shows that teenage pregnancy causes deaths or disability of thousands of girls and newborns annually.

Another survey carried out by the Uganda Bureau of Statistics in the same year showed Uganda's teenage pregnancy rate stands at 24 per cent.

Ms Chemutai has partnered with organisations such as White Ribbon Alliance to fight against what she calls the "next big fight for the girl child after female genital mutilation."

She contends that projects such as 'Let Girls Learn' may not achieve their intended goals if children are being turned into mothers. She wants Parliament to approve the establishment of a forum to help address issues affecting the girl-child.

"There is need to extract the problem of child or early pregnancies from the pool of issues affecting the youth in general and instead give it a spotlight," Ms Chemutai said.

"The forum will enable MPs share ideas on issues affecting the girl-child especially those relating to education, sexual and reproductive health as well

as adolescent pregnancy," she said.

Taking the battle to the House

She further said she will move a motion seeking Parliament to debate the issue of teenage pregnancy and task concerned government ministries to implement the laws aimed at stemming the vice.

Recently, more than 120,000 citizens petitioned the Prime Minister asking for interventions aimed at reducing teenage pregnancies in the country. The petition was handed over to the Prime Minister during just concluded National Youth Dialogue. The National Coordinator White Ribbon Alliance Uganda, Ms Robina Biteyi, said reducing teenage pregnancy will increase Uganda's chances of reducing maternal mortality.

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I am in Pretoria South Africa to be with my younger sister who was undergoing surgery.

I thank God for His hand that has been upon her .The rest of the family is well.

I am ever so grateful for the your great support even this month .The dream of a Birthing Center will be realized now that God is opened door for the initial steps.

May God bless you
In Christ
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