



WAKISA MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

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A Caring and Training Ministry

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Dear Friend & Partner in Ministry

God's Faithfulness and Care through Jesus is revealed through all that takes place at Wakisa Ministries. He has made this organization a safe haven for pregnant girls , a healing and a transformation place for some and a Soul Winning center for those who open their hearts to Him.

The Vocational skills training, antenatal visits, the square meals , reintegration of young mothers in schools, antenatal visits and delivery kits and clothes and clothing would not have been possible if it was not for your generous and kind support. With a heart full of gratitude I say THANK YOU!

The place has been a hub of activities ,as young mothers and their babies have been taken back home and new girls have been admitted .They come because they have been rejected and mistreated by their families as a result of teen pregnancy .They are received back home (some of them)because of the counselling of both the parents and girls .The youngest received this month is 13 years !



GIRLS AND BABIES

Unfortunate Incidents

5 out of the 28 girls have delivered this month. Joanna 16 years, Aisha 15, Merab 15, Joanna 15, Eva 15 and Elsie had babies. Sadly, Joanna's baby was weak and died while in the special care unit. Ironically she did not want a child despite the counselling and was going to give her for adoption. Joanna's single mum had forgiven her.



EVA WITH HER BABY

Elsie's bladder was weakened during the delivery but we thank that God that as she was kept on observation with a catheter and bag in situ for two weeks, the blood in the urine has cleared

and she has survived the fistula! Both Elsie and Joanna are HIV positive and on treatment.

Aisha's baby was taken to an orphanage the second day after delivery. Both Aisha and Mum had resolved that the baby will be given up for adoption. This 15 year old was repeatedly defiled by her dad when mum had gone to work in Sudan. Aisha has real severe emotional trauma and have received prayers and various counselling. The mother who is still in Sudan has promised to wind up her work and come back home. Currently Aisha is at my home as we wait for her mum and avoid the questions by her fellow girls at Wakisa Center. Though she delivered and the baby was taken away she is still having night mares. She accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour, decided to forgive her father. This was during a talk of a former drug addict who came and gave a talk to the girls that many including Aisha chose to forgive. I hope her mother will find a safe place for her. Aisha wants to go back to school and become a lawyer to defend and speak for the girls like her who fall prey to sick and evil dads!

TRAINING

The use of donated knitting machines is slowly catching up. We have at last found a teacher who comes once a week.

The Agriculture lessons have been more theoretical than practical due to the high temperatures, long dry spell and lack of water.

Cookery lessons have enabled girls to learn making samosas, cakes, pineapple jam, rice ball etc.



TAILORING CLASS

In Tailoring girls have learned how to make small bags, maternity dresses and baby dresses.

In crafts and candle making they have made bags, necklaces and earrings and candle.

There is need for candle moulds of different shapes and sizes.

In Bible Study, the skits and role plays have brought home the message of the Cross and consequences of disobedience.

RARE OCCURRENCE

Two new girls had strange manifestation of evil spirits which kept us all on tiptoes. I thought it was epileptic fits, asked the house mother to check with the doctor but the strong jerks, the tossing and rigorous turning, the bulging of the red shot venomous eyes revealed something was strange here! We had to keep praying for the two during the severe attacks.

By the grace of God, two men of God by invitation came to our rescue and laid hands on these girls in the name of Jesus Christ and the evil spirits left with shrieks and fighting! This was all in my office and what I saw I would not like to see again! We thank Jesus who takes control of situations we don't understand! I have thinking this was simply a Teenage Crisis Pregnancy Ministry!

TRAUMA COUNSELLING WORKSHOP

Wakisa Ministries holds trauma counselling workshops twice a year and this time it was designed to train people who work with children.

Held in Lira, the Northern part of Uganda, 30 participants comprised teachers and social workers of Compassion International Centers in Lira attended.

We took them through the basic skills and how one can notice a child with trauma

Their general comment was that such trainings are of paramount importance, that there was need for setting up Counselling

Clinics in the North though the war of Kony has long been over. They reported that many people were still nursing Inner wounds but seemingly fine on the outside.

The three days workshop this month was crowned by presenting

of certificates by our Guest of Honour, a little 6 year old Sarah who had come to baby sit her baby brother.

Apart from the temperature that shot up to 38 C, we thank God we braved the heat and the workshop ran smoothly.

I also had the opportunity of briefly meeting again one of the young girls who had been at Wakisa Ministries . Kisa still had some issues with her mother.



TRAUMA COUNSELLING WORKSHOP - LIRA



6 YEAR OLD SARAH HANDING OUT CERTIFICATES

FAMILY

Baby Miriam is doing well and seems to take much of Suzan's time as she is still on Maternity leave.

Tim and Ruth are well and have been fully involved in their Church marriage retreats during weekends.

I am not sure if I have told you that I have a niece and nephew who are staying with me together with Dorcus and her son Ezra. They are all in Boarding schools except for Ezra who is a nearby Nursery School.

Home is quiet now apart from Aisha who is with me for as long as her mother is away in Sudan.

My humble request to you is to contribute to my purchasing of a new vehicle for travels upcountry and in the schools.

I pray that your continued support to Wakisa Ministries will bring the vulnerable girls to God, to know Him and to seek His healing power.

In His Service
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