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Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry

While Wakisa continues to shelter ,train and support young girls with unplanned pregnancies the dire need for such services still exists in our society .The centre continues to admit these young girls who are brought police ,non government organizations and mothers in dilemma when school going age daughters are found to be pregnant .

We give God the glory for taking us through all the challenges of this month as His grace , mercy and love become new every morning .We are ever so grateful for you great support and prayers to enable us help the vulnerable pregnant girls. Through your prayers and support we have been to care for 30 young pregnant teenage girls, to offer them a safe shelter, train , feed them, ensure they have access to decent health care, and protect them from emotional, physical and spiritual ravages of a crisis pregnancy.

May God bless you and reward you for your kind ,generous giving and partnership.




Admitted In Hospital

Sylvia, one of the young mothers at the center who was admitted in Mulago hospital maternity center at Kawempe because of a constant blood pressure as high as 150/110.

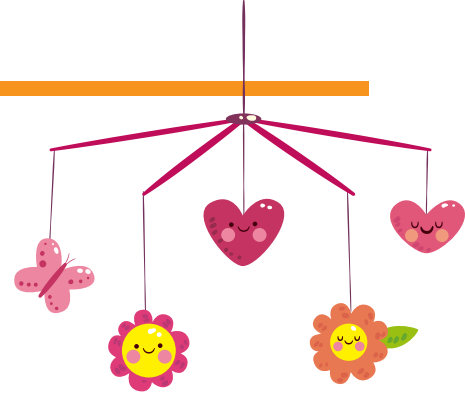
She has been monitored by doctors and they retained her to control the pressure. Sylvia is also with HIV/AIDS. Yesterday she delivered a very weak baby at 32 weeks who was put in an intensive care unit. Sadly this morning the baby passed on.

Let us continue to pray for Sylvia's physical health and emotionally to recover from this note.

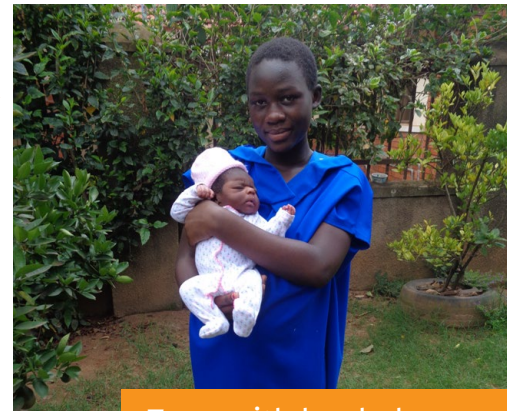




some of the June mothers with their babies



Irene with her baby



Tracy with her baby



Sylvia with her baby



Sylvia with her baby



Zaituni with her baby

Babies

It is by the grace of God that 8 lovely babies were born this month .

Damalie is one of the young mothers who had a baby girl weighing 3.4kg. She was however traumatized in the labour suit as she saw the woman on the bed next to hers die during delivery of the baby !

Patience 14 years had a baby boy by caesarean section.He weighed 3.2 Kgs.

Tracey 14 year had a baby boy weighing 3.13 kgs

Priscilla had a baby boy of 3.1 kgs

Suzan 15 yrs had a baby girl of 3.95 kgs!

Lynette 13yrs had a baby girl of 3.4 kg

Sylvia 2 17 years had a baby 3.49 kgs

Irene 17 years had a baby girl weighing 3.2 kgs .



LIFE THE CENTER

Medical examinations are as a routine for all girls was through antenatal visits and ultrasound scanning. The 7 new girls and they are all well. They have gotten tetanus vaccines, and been screened for both HIV and Syphilis.

We thank God for the International Medical Center (IMC) which has started offering free antenatal services and educating the girls in health matters. They have modern stethoscopes and all items for check-up! The infections such as urinary tract infections and cough have been treated.



Happy days taking selfies at the center



girls in gomesis made in tailoring class

FAMILY

The sons, my daughters-in-law, and Miriam are doing well. Miriam, almost two and a half now, is talking. Paul and Susan understand her quite well, but I am sure Tim and Ruth are struggling to get what she is saying.

I have met a few challenges this month and trying moments. In all, I give God the glory. One of them was the wreckage of my car due to an accident. It was by the grace of God that the driver was unharmed, though the vehicle was badly damaged.

The good Lord saw my dire need of a new vehicle, came to my rescue, and met this need!

Prayer Points

1. For Sylvia who suffered eclampsia and loss of baby.
2. For good health of the pregnant teenage girls and their babies at the center.
3. For Kampala City Council authority to give us a license to start construction of the new center.
4. For the funding base, both financial and in kind, to remain constant.
5. For the teenage mothers in school to perform well and maintain the good discipline.
6. For emotional healing of the young mothers.
7. For the funding of antenatal and postnatal requirements of the National Referral Hospital, Mulago Hospital, like; gloves, sutures, syringes, and disinfectant, which are now required of every woman in labour, which we have to purchase these items among others.



SKILLS

Health talks have been key this month in the Pregnancy, infant care class as well as the life skills class. This has been key because the majority of the girls are from poor backgrounds and many homes are not keen on hygiene as we have one with skin disease (ring worm) which has covered her whole body. We have tried measures to avoid this skin disease from spreading like fire to others.

We have also taught the girls why they attend antenatal classes at the hospital. We hope that they will teach these reasons to the communities back home when they go back.

As always the girls are encouraged to report any discomfort they have at any one time.

The Saturday candle making class is picking up and the girls are able to plan their activities around the class. The challenge at the moment is to get a person or organisation to purchase the candles so we can earn money to sustain the candle class.

The **agriculture class** has been active. They have finished weeding the Spinach, tomato and Lettuce gardens. The vegetables have been sprayed and are flourishing. We should be harvesting in July.

The **English literacy** class given the girls confidence to express themselves in English and they performed a play where they showed confidence, eloquence and team work. I was quite impressed and bought the girls gifts to appreciate the team effort and good work. The cookery class has been focused on baking. We were able to repair the oven and that is how the baking has been possible. They have baked cupcakes, marble cakes, cookies and sponge cake.



Cookery class cupcakes



during a class

Student Mothers

The 5 young mothers who have been studying professional agriculture at the Agromax training center have finished the 6 months of studying and will be graduating on 28th July. We are truly grateful to Hope Ventures for this support. We are also grateful to Agromax for all their support and training the 8 girls of which 5 have graduated.

The young mothers are; Flavia, Immaculate, Rose, Esther and Brenda the training ended on 26th June 2017.

The girls have attained practical skills in both animal and crop husbandry. They have gotten applicable information and knowledge to start their own projects and create jobs in their communities. 3 young mothers, replacing the 3 who left have already joined the next program at Agromax and will be studying for 6 months.

Back to School

The school Principals been kind enough to let us take back the students back in schools before paying fees. We are trying to raise 5,500 US \$ for these students per semester .It is my prayer that God touches your heart to support and let these young mothers stay learning and being educated . 2 have gone back to Buloba High School, 1 girl has gone back to Namirembe Infant School, 1 to Vision for Africa in Gayaza, and 15 girls were able to go back to St Micheal High School. The rest had completed their senior and left school .We have 3 in the University and one is still being sponsored.



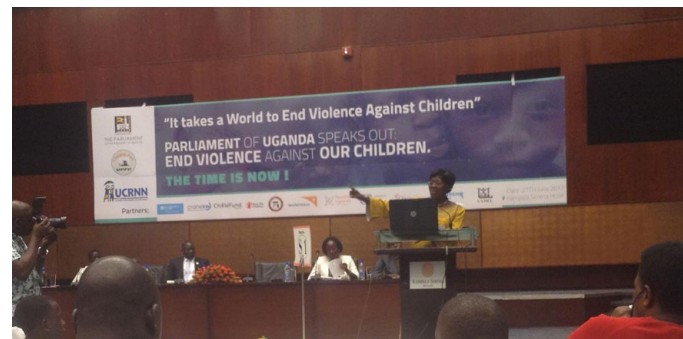
visit to Samalie's home with her sister

Visiting Teams & Events

All Saints Cathedral youth fellowship have been coming every Sunday to fellowship with the girls. The girls enjoy the vibrant energy and are always excited to have them over.

Wakisa Ministries was invited twice to Parliament ,to a Breakfast Meeting and a Parliament Session aimed at 'Ending Violence against Children', The meetings were organised by the Uganda Child Rights NGO Network (UCRNN) in conjunction with the Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Children.

The Speaker of Parliament, Rt.Hon. Rebecca Kadaga tasked Members of Parliament to take the campaign to end child violence to their constituencies. She said that there is a disturbing silence on all kinds of child violence, which is worrying. *"We need to go and speak out; let us make this part of our charge in our constituencies as we handle the other issues,"* she said.



parliament speaks out on domestic violence



Hon Kadaga at breakfast with wakisa girl

May God bless you richly,

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