



An april baby

Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry,

We are so grateful to God for His protection and presence. The month has been with trials but we believe He keeps us focus to realize the objectives and goal.

WAKISA Ministries transfers the LOVE of Christ to the troubled and traumatized young pregnant girls through the PRAYERS you offer ,the SUPPORT you give and the programmes carried out .

We greatly appreciate your partnership and love for the desperate ,rejected girls that find their way here.

We realize that some of the girls' trauma is so detrimental to them as individuals and to the Ministry.

We will always covet your constant prayers for them that God's hand will protect them and they accept His love and His gift of salvation .The ongoing counselling and our unconditional love will have to prevail. NEEDLESS TO SAY WAKISA IS SO NECESSARY THIS DAY AND AGE TO PROVIDE CARE AND LOVE FOR THE VULNERABLE PREGANT GIRLS.

Admissions

Of the girls at the centre, we have 3 young mothers and admitted 7 young pregnant girls brought in by guardians and parents. Rita's baby was born healthy but had to be in the NICU for 4 days and was discharged. He is doing well and so is his mother. It was a month of baby boys and they keep their mothers awake with their healthy appetites;

New Borns

- Dorothy 18 - baby boy
- Elizabeth 19 - baby boy
- Rita 14 - baby boy



Arson

What happened this month is a clear sign of the severe trauma and anger some of them harbour.

TOWARDS THE MONTH END ,IT WAS UNFORTUNATE THAT AN ARSONIST (ONE OF THE GIRLS) SET FIRE IN ONE OF THE SHOWERS OF THE NEW DORMITORY in the middle of the night . SHE PLACED A PLASTIC BUCKET AND A BOX THAT CONTAINED TOILET PAPERS AND LIT ALL ON FIRE . WE THANK GOD WHO PUT OUT THE FIRE!! TWO PHONES BELONGING TO THE STAFF first GOT MISSING FROM THE DORMITORY but we did not find them .

Instead we found an anonymous letter in the counselling room saying 'we will never recover the phones ,that more things will keep missing'. The smoke affected some of girls that they coughed the whole night and kept throwing up ,not knowing what was happening !

I was alerted at 4.00 am !

The girl who did it must have been so full of rage ,anger and bitterness.We were able to have some clues but we did not want to point fingers .It was painful of our side . We took some measures as a Ministry and had discussions on the possible risks in future . Thank you for your prayers .

Wakisa Alumni

Compassion International students and staff came to share words of encouragement with the girls and interact with them. Meet Hellen, she is a qualified nurse who is now working at St Joseph's Hospital in Wakiso. It is also the hospital where Wakisa Ministries girls and staff receive medical attention. While doing her rounds, Hellen recognized Auntie Betty, the Hospital attendant, and ran to her hugging her and thanking her for the support she had received from Wakisa Ministries eight years ago.

Hellen came to Wakisa in 2013; traumatized, shaken, and with no hope. By the time she left and was reunited with her family, she was full of hope and ready to be a confident, productive, and disciplined girl, different from who she was when she got pregnant. Hellen went to nursing school and is now serving her community and encouraging the young girls who come to the hospital.

Seeing Hellen today, gives us all the hope and encouragement to continue supporting young pregnant girls and mothers with; shelter, counselling, medical care, skills training, sponsorship opportunities, family reconciliation, and love like the gospel teaches. Discussing challenges and opportunities as young mothers.

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Women of Excellence during the prayer day

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Elizabeth 19 years

Liz is from a family of 4 where she is the last born and only girl. Growing up, Liz was influenced by friends in the community and became part of peer groups that were living recklessly. It was in this group where she got to know about transactional sex and started getting involved with men. Her parents cautioned her and disciplined her but she did not change her ways or friends.

Later, Liz got pregnant and when she told the man responsible, he disappeared and her father chased her from home and to date, is not willing

to reconcile with his daughter. We continue working with the family to support them on this journey of forgiveness and reunion.

Liz gave birth this month to baby boy and she's afraid that she has no where to go with the baby since the father has rejected her. She's in Wakiso hoping for a miracle that her father will forgive her so she can go back home with her son Nathaniel whom she loves and is willing to live a new life for him.

Sponsorships

We currently have 39 young mothers in school. 2 of the girls are in university and we hope the one in 3rd year will get a respectable internship placement in a good organisation.

With your support, scholastic materials and toiletries and masks have been provided to the students in our care.

Pray for one of the young girls in school who was admitted in hospital due to severe ulcers in her stomach. She is back in school and we hope and pray she will be well to sit for her upcoming exams.



Vocational Skills

In the vocational skills block, we are able to have specialised classrooms for knitting, sewing, computer classes, cookery, infant care, life skills classes.

In knitting class, girls learnt how to make Sweaters, shawls, baby bags and baby blankets. When back home, the girls will be able to knit sweaters and bags so they can earn an income and have better lives for themselves and their babies. They can also teach people in the community and earn from teaching skills.



some of the materials made in the knitting class



Prayer Requests

Pray for the young girls in our care both pregnant and with babies struggling with self rejection that their hearts and minds will soften from all the hurt they have been through.

Pleas pray that God provides for funds for the health center construction ,the completion of the wall and the vehicle payment .
We will need to install things like smoke detectors and CTV cameras in the dormitory .

I am praying your support can help us meet some of these needs.

MAY THE GOOD LORD BLESS YOU AND REWARD YOU FOR ALL YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT.

Bank Information Update

We wish to inform you that Wakisa Ministries is closing the Dfcu BANK accounts by the 30th May and the new account in the KCB BANK.

Details are as follows

KCB Uganda Limited
Commercial Plaza
P.O Box 7399, AUganda

Account Name: WAKISA MINISTRIES LTD
Account Number: 2291297406
Currency: USD
Branch: BEN KIWANUKA
Sort Code: 253047
Swift Code: KCBLUGKA

May the lord bless you

In Christ

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