Newsletter

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Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry,

The Lord God has taken good care of the sick and all girls through the month and given safe deliveries. We are so grateful for your great support, love and prayers.

We're thrilled to bring you a curated collection of insights, updates and inspirational stories from Wakisa Ministries. Our news aims to be your go-to source for staying informed and engaged with us. The school is soon reopening for the 3rd term.May God touch you to give towards these young girls on the **Sponsorship** waiting list. **The boarding school fees \$ 320 per** girl per term

August Prayer

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SPONSORSHIP

This month, the girls in the sponsorship program have taken a break from school. Some girls were picked up from school by the sponsorship coordinator and taken back home while others were picked up from school by their guardians. Two young mums have joined the university, one doing a Bachelor's in Business Administration while the other is pursuing a Bachelor's in Business studies with education. They were excited to start university and were both provided with laptops from the computer room and other scholastic materials. We have 41 girls on the sponsorship program.

5 girls	University
9 girls	Vocational school
5 girls	A Level
15 girls	O Level
7 girls	Primary





Counselling and admissions

The youngest girls are 13 years and they seem like babies carrying babies During the counselling sessions, the girls were guided into making informed decisions, and setting goals while at the centre and after Wakisa. They were also helped to identify their visions and how to overcome challenges in their lives. the signs of pregnancy, and how to properly and healthily support their bodies throughout their pregnancy journey, by understanding what foods to avoid and the beneficial foods to include in their diets.

Deliveries

Admissions 10	Daisy	Boy	3.2kg	
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Discharge 1	Mariam	Boy	3.2kg	

Infant care

This month, the girls deepened their knowledge of pregnancy and the physical and dietary changes that come with it. They became aware of 10 young pregnant mothers went to the hospital for an ultrasound scan. One girl has been diagnosed with severe anaemia and is currently in hospital receiving treatment.



Vocational skills

Cookery

In our cookery class, the girls are mastering the art of creating simple yet delicious snacks like potato and banana crisps, and doughnuts of different shapes and ices. They're also learning to make refreshing cocktail juices using basic equipment. These skills empower them to replicate these recipes in their rural homes, crafting opportunities to generate income and ensure sustainable livelihoods

Gardening

This month as the rainy season begins, the girls to supplement their diet, have planted vegetables like Sukuma, courtmeal and spring onions in their seed beds and due to the blessings of the rain have been able to transplant the seedlings into the garden and the gardens are doing well. During this period, they have learnt how to make seed beds, take care of seedlings, and how and when to transplant the seedlings.

Tailoring

Our tailoring class isn't just about creating clothing; it's about fostering creativity, instilling confidence, and nurturing resilience. As these young women embrace the world of fabrics, patterns, and stitches, they also embark on a path of personal growth and empowerment. They discover a safe space to embrace their potential, connect with their peers, and envision a brighter tomorrow.

Art and craft

This month's journey in our arts and crafts class takes us into the realm of creating school bags, waist bags, cross bags, and sponges. In the previous weeks, our girls joyfully crafted sponges, with each participant creating two or more: one for themselves, and the other destined for the next girl who steps into Wakisa Ministries.

Music and Computer classes

This month feel more comfortable with singing rather than reading music notations and solfas. This is due to their level of education and their attention span. They are fascinated with their computer typing skills!

Bible class

This month the girls have learned the 66 books in the bible in both the Old and New Testaments. They have also been taught the love of Christ.





FOLLOW UP - DIANA

Diana is currently living in Kona village, Wakiso. Her baby is 1 year old and she is staying with her parents and her siblings.

She got an opportunity to go back to school through acquiring sponsorship from Bridge of Hope Africa. She is currently in primary seven (P.7) at His Grace primary school which is in their neighbourhood.

During school holidays, when she's not attending classes, Diana utilises the skills she acquired from the cookery class at Wakisa Ministries by making and selling chapati at her mother's stall.



HEALTH

Several girls complained of abdominal pains and most have been diagnosed with Urinary tract infections that needed treating hence the high medical bills. They are all healed except for one Lois who was retained in the hospital for low blood count at 8 months pregnant.



CASE STUDY - SHADIA & LINDA

This is the story of two young girls, Shadia and Linda, both 17 years old reunited at Wakisa! Shadia was brought to Wakisa Ministries in July after being rescued by the police, while Linda was brought in mid-August by a good Samaritan. Both girls had been rescued from the streets of Kampala where they were struggling to survive.

Shadia was in the final month of her pregnancy, and Linda was six months pregnant when they arrived at Wakisa Ministries. When their paths crossed again, Shadia was excited to see Linda, she did she not expect such an encounter with Linda. The reunion was a miracle, heartwarming and emotional. Their lives on the street were marked by hardship. They would spend afternoons at City Square grounds, sleeping in boxes as makeshift beds and sacks as blankets at night. They both were engaged in odd jobs to survive in the market, the rest of the day was spent taking naps under trees.

Wakisa Ministries is now a safe haven for Shadia and Linda. Grateful for the opportunity, they express their thanks for the comfort of beds, nourishing meals, medical care, vocational training, and the support from staff who care for them.



COMMENCEMENT OF HEALTH CENTER

After a while, we decided to continue with the construction of the health Centre as is, with the funds available for this very cause from Co-workers. We are hopeful and trusting in God that more funds will be raised.

Please pray for our hiking medical bills and that we can start giving "start-up kits" to young mums who have learnt vocational skills and are willing to use a skill at home to earn a living.



We are thankful to God for all your love, support and care for these vulnerable girls. I have learnt to trust in the goodness of the Lord in times of want and need. **HE IS FAITHFUL!!**

In Christ

Vivian Kityo Director

May the good Lord bless you .





