



## Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry

When Ugandan families go without food these days, when most people have just one meal during this lockdown, when one hears of the death of people due to Covid, how can we not say His love and mercy for us endures for ever! He has set and sent food before the girls, to us and we are ever grateful to our Lord.

The emotional highs and thrill in this long lockdown month have been the exciting news of the 13-year-old three pupils, who passed their primary 7 examinations very highly.

These pupils are sons of the 3 former Wakisa mums who were sponsored in school by Wakisa

Ministries! They in turn have taken their children to school!

God has brought us this far. Together with you, we have touched the lives of young girls and their babies, both spiritually and physically. Thank you for your kind and generous support, Thank you for your prayers and concern for the young pregnant girls over the years.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

The emotional lows have been receiving a 13-year-old pregnant who has been rejected by family though she was sexually abused!

## Admission & Deliveries

We have 20 girls at the center. 3 young mothers and 17 girls. The youngest being 13 years and the oldest 17. During the month, we have had 2 deliveries and 5 admissions. The newly admitted girls were assessed and isolated from other girls. We had 1 girl resettled with her family.

With the 2 mums in the month of July 2021. One mother Maxine, 17, had a normal delivery but developed sore nipples with mastitis. She is now gradually healing but loathes breast feeding.

The second mother Rita also had a normal delivery. She was supported by the Ministry while living in her community in Bulenga. She was desperate when her sister came to us in need of food and support. The ministry stepped in and gave her food, toiletries and pre and post natal kit for her and the baby.

12 girls received antenatal care, 13 girls were taken for ultrasound scan and they had normal reading.

1 girl is HIV positive and on medication and while also receiving counselling.



*young mothers at the center*

## Sponsorship

Schools are still under lockdown.

We have 39 students with our sponsorship program. 26 are in formal education and 13 are in vocational education.

Our sponsored Primary 7 candidate got a Division 2 in her PLE Exams.

The news of the P7 results found one 15-year-old Shakira at Wakisa. She had her baby a month ago and she is thankful to God for having passed her exams. Shakira, with an Islamic background accepted Jesus as Lord and Saviour.

The university students are studying online while the young mothers are being supported to continue with studies through the Learn from Home, Youth Empowerment Program during the lockdown.

The girls practising skills training at Agromax are provided with skills to learn innovative, sustainable methods in agriculture. The girls harvested tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers from the green houses they manage. We are proud of the young mother who has been employed by Agromax after doing well in her classes. Fortunate is now part of the agriculture sales team.



## **PHIONA - 14 YEARS**

Phiona, 14 years old was raped by a neighbour who took advantage of her and got pregnant.

Phiona is a 14 year old girl who lived with her single mother and 2 siblings. They are living in poverty and to earn a living, the family sells cassava. One day when she was selling cassava a neighbour came and asked her if she could provide him cassava on credit for one thousand shillings.

The next day he found her in the neighbourhood as she was going to watch a dance group and asked her whether she was selling cassava that day, to which she answered him no. he offered to clear his debt if she escorted him to his house so he could get the money and pay her. When they got there, he raped her and told her never to tell anyone or else he would kill her.

The neighbour has since moved from the community and the mother does not know how to locate him. Phiona is receiving counselling and psychosocial support at the Ministry.

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## **SHARON - 14 YEARS**

Sharon is a girl with intellectual disability and a rape victim. One day, she gathered the strength to leave her abusive home where her step mother used to beat her daily. She disappeared for a few days and was later found by the police hungry and confused. Upon examination, it was confirmed that she had been raped and was pregnant.

The police brought her to Wakisa for further case management. We are yet to locate a safe shelter and family for Sharon. For now, she is happy to be at Wakisa and not be beaten. Sharon has integrated well into the system and the young girls at the centre have been loving and supportive towards her.

## **Masturah Nansubuga 15 years**

Masturah Nansubuga is a 15 years old mother who came to Wakisa Ministries in 2020. She had a baby who is now 5 months. While at the Ministry, she was the best in her tailoring class. On resettling, Masturah and her baby moved in with a supportive aunt who has borrowed a sewing machine that Masturah is using to mend clothes for the people in her community. With the income she earns, Masturah is able to take care herself and her baby and is saving money to purchase a sewing machine.

Mastura grew up with her Uncle: a brother to her mother. Her father passed on and her mother is HIV positive and unemployed. Her uncle took her on to ensure she goes to school. However, being a boda boda cyclist, that was all he could afford and so to buy toiletries and scholastic materials, Masturah got involved in a relationship with a man who could provide for her. She realised she was pregnant and told her uncle who went asking for a place for her. He found out about Wakisa Ministries and brought her here and on realising what the program is about, came back to advise that she is resettled with her aunty.

## **Aisha Asiimwe - 19 years**

19-year-old Aisha is the second born of 7, each child has their own father and she does not know who her father is. Her mother does odd jobs to support the family. Previously Aisha would wash clothes with her mother so as to earn an income for the family. One time when working all by herself, Aisha was washing and hanging clothes and a married man forcefully took advantage of her and she ended up pregnant. The man denied the pregnancy. Friends of her mother recommended Wakisa ministries and that is how she ended up at Wakisa Ministries.

While at Wakisa Ministries she received love, counselling and she learnt Vocational skills like tailoring and Knitting, life skills, cookery classes and computer classes. Aisha was the best student in cookery class. Where she learnt how to make daddies, bake cakes, cook vegetable rice, make samosas, meat balls, deserts and other pastries.

## Vocational Skills

Despite the lock down, the vocational and life skills training is still happening and the girls are receiving skills training in Hair dressing, Computer Basic skills, Agriculture, Infant care, Cookery, Tailoring and Handcraft.

The knitted squares sent to us continue to be great therapeutic measure as the girls make baby blankets. Thanks to the Mothers a Union in Swansea UK.

We are grateful for the woollies too for the babies.

The bible study, the Daily devotions and the Sunday services led by our clergyman of neighbouring church have built both staff and the girls spiritually.



*vocational skills at the center*

## Solar

Due to the fluctuation of electricity, a solar water pump system has been put in place. We will then be able to have constant water flow despite the surging of electricity.

We are thankful for this support from Ute and her team in Germany.



*girls next to the bore before construction*



*completed solar pump house for water*

## More Photos of girls around the center





## Visiting Teams

We had 2 visiting local groups from : Rotary Club of Acacia Avenue and Movit Products Uganda Ltd

## Prayer Requests

Please Remember Wakisa girls and staff as a Ministry to be protected from Covid-19.

For the completion of the perimeter wall.

For building the Heath center.

For safe delivery of babies.

## Bank Information Update

We wish to inform you that Wakisa Ministries closed the Dfcu BANK accounts on the 30th May 2021 and the new account is in the KCB BANK.

Details are as follows:  
KCB Uganda Limited  
Commercial Plaza  
P.O Box 7399, Uganda

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

*Again, we remain thankful for the wonderful support.  
May God bless you richly for all your support*

**In Christ**

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