

Newsletter

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British High commissioner with a baby at the center

Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry,

We are so grateful for your continued support and partnership and to be sharing this journey of service with you. Our mission remains the promotion of the holistic well-being of young mothers and to build their better future.

The month of May has been a time of blessing through local teams that visited Wakisa Ministries.

Visiting Teams

Wakisa had the rare opportunity of receiving the British High Commissioner Her Excellency Kate Airey who led the British High Commission team in commemoration of King Charles' Coronation. We were touched when she got fully engaged in the work and service. The team and the High Commissioner graciously interacted with the girls, changed and bathed the babies, washed dishes, cut the lawn, rearranged our library, scrubbed the floors and windows, packed the delivery kits and planted tomato seedlings. They also generously donated office stationery, food items and later cut a lovely cake with the girls. Wakisa Ministries had been one of the NGOs chosen for Community service by BHC.



Davis and Shirtliff Company was another team that we were so privileged to receive. The team planted fruit trees and donated a sizeable solar water heater on their Founder's Day. They installed the heater and solar panel on the roof of the Teaching facility to supply warm water to the kitchen. This was a great blessing to us because it relieved us of using charcoal to boil hot water to bathe babies and wash dishes. They too donated food items.



Other teams that visited this month and brought baby clothes and clothing and food items were the Mothers Union , Bethel Church women's group and Charis Bible Group.

These groups not only gave food items but shared the word of God with the girls
This was a sure sign of the providence of the

Lord as our funds on the account had dwindled to meet for food purchasing, hospital bills, transport (as my car was broken down) and other operational costs.

It is our prayer that your support will help us relieve the Ministry off its desperate situation.



Babies

Girl	Baby Gender	Weight
Betty	boy	3.6
Neville	girl	3.8
Kellen	girl	2.5
Fazira	girl	3.5
Mercy	girl	3.5
Aisha	boy	2.5
Christine	boy	2.7



Sponsorship

The students in formal education would be starting on 4th May and 4 new girls joined the Sponsorship program.

The Young mums in school are quite confident and look toward a brighter future. It is our prayer that more young mothers get sponsors and be integrated into school to gain an education and a better future



Sad News

On a sad note, yesterday the 30th we received the sad news of the death of Kevin at her home. She was with epilepsy. She had delivered a baby boy and both had been well. The epileptic attack was so strong that she had stopped breathing by the time they rushed to the hospital. Please pray for Kevin's baby boy.

Vocational Skills

Agriculture

Girls weeded the cassava garden and harvested the vegetables that they had planted in the months prior.

Bible class

The Bible class lessons included scriptures and stories from the Bible that encourage and empower young mothers to be strong, to trust in God's love, and to become the best versions of themselves and the mothers they can be.

Music class

Girls were introduced to the fundamentals of music, from learning the basics of musical notation and theory, to familiarizing themselves with the various types of music terminology. Now, they are mastering the skill of playing the keyboard and placing their fingers correctly on the keys.

Cookery class

They learnt how to make chapatti, prepare healthy porridge for their babies (soy and rice porridge), daddies, mandazi, and half cakes

Computer class

They developed their typing skills, increasing their proficiency with each practice session.

Tailoring class

This month, the girls have become well-versed in the fundamentals of tailoring, including how to use a measuring tape properly and the right way to hold a pair of scissors while cutting cloth, as well as to determine the necessary measurements of various parts of the body. Finally, they have been able to put these skills to actual use and have started to make skirts for their babies.

Knitting class

They have made beautiful handmade thank you cards, hair bands, knitted baby blankets, and cosy baby hats as special gifts.





A Thankful Heart

Among the girls is one pregnant girl who is so thrilled to have come to Wakisa. She had never dreamed she could be in such a place, Aisha (not her real name) is 17 years, moslem and 8 months pregnant was brought by her father and a good Samaritan. She says they are 8 people in a small little home, her dad has 2 wives and Aisha got herself into a sexual relationship.

When she conceived the man deserted her. Her stepmother chased her from home and her father and real mother didn't protect her.

She spent a good five months of her pregnancy on the street of Kampala, sleeping on the streets and eating from garbage heaps. A good Samaritan found her, contacted her father and both brought her to Wakisa Ministries. Aisha has since been grateful for all the care she receives at Wakisa.

She says she had never had such good food, nor slept on a mattress nor had proper bathing. Aisha accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour two weeks ago during the morning devotion.

May the good Lord bless you for all your love and prayers and great support.

Thank you

In Christ

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