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Dear Friend and Partner in Ministry,

Greetings from Wakisa Ministries.

I hope you're all well geared for the festive season, ending the year and welcoming the new year.

All is well at Wakisa Center although it is quite a tough financial season for us, there has been a glitch in funding a crisis that has affected our donors as well as such trickling down to Wakisa Ministries affecting many of our activities . However, our biggest concern and challenge is hospital and operational funds especially now that the year is ending.

It is in that regard that I call upon you to kindly give a financial hand within your reach as an individual, you may also kindly reach out to your connections and circles for possible donations so we can jointly save the situation, it doesn't have to be much, any single penny counts and makes a difference towards the hospital and operational funds .

We also intend to run a local fundraising campaign of the same cause and as you share

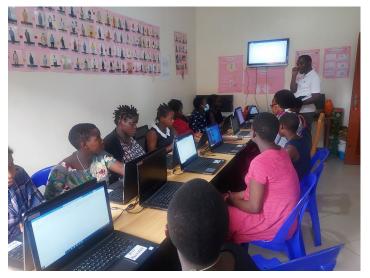
Wakisa Ministries is still giving chance to the girls to know God, a chance to know God's love for them, a chance to hear about a future with Jesus, a chance to learn new skills, a chance to bring new prosperity into their families by returning these skills, a chance to be part of a community working for the good of all, a chance to take God's love into the villages.

WAKISA GIVES GIRLS A CHANCE!

He has given us (you and me) a chance to serve Him in partnership through this ministry. I thank my Lord God for you, your great support and your love for these girls and their babies even during this season of a financial crisis! As we are experiencing financial constraint we do not lose heart for the One we serve is faithful.

May God incline your heart to bless Wakisa Ministries with a Christmas gift

We are grateful to God who has seen us through the month of November. Wakisa ministries has sheltered 35 girls.



computer class at the center





knitting at the center



girls back from school for the december holidays



Babies Born

Names	Age	Gender	Weight	Date of Birth	Mode of Delivery
Hadijah	14 years	baby girl	2.5 kgs	13/11/22	C/ Section
Sharon	16 years	baby girl	2.8 kgs	24/11/22	Normal
Gift	17 years	baby girls	3.3 kgs	28/11/22	C/Section

Home Birth !

While the midwife was a way for her break. No one detected labour signs for Jane - 16 years! At 6.00 am I received a call from a frantic voice of the caretaker that I should come quickly as the baby's head was showing. I thank God that I was just in time to get the girl on the bed before the baby fell!! The caretaker received the baby and quickly wrapped it in a sheet. While the baby was crying, with my nursing skills I then managed to massage the pelvis to cause the placenta to come out. By the time hospital sent the midwife we were now on the way in my car to the hospital with Jane and her baby !! The caretaker, warden and I praised God for what we accomplished!!! Among the girls that are here is Naome (not her real name) 16 years who has had a real positive change during the last 4 months. She says

"Wakisa Ministries has helped me study and learn the word of God, I have made so much change in terms of respecting my life and knowing that true love is not what the young man who made me exhibited. I want to seek forgiveness from my mum whom I have always disobeyed"

Meg - 14 years

With a troubled background Meg grew up with a single alcoholic dad who didn't have enough time for her later she took her to live with their maternal auntie. This auntie made life so difficult for her that she could fail to give her food. A male neighbour who knew what she was going through took advantage of her naivety and suffering.

He would give her little money to buy a few eats and also promised to take her to Kampala to work in his shop which was all lies, after all these promises he started asking for sex from her and threatened her that if she refused to have sex with him, he would not give her money anymore and wouldn't even take her to work in Kampala and she also gave in into his threats and whims.

When she became pregnant, she told the man and he denied responsibility and also decided to hide it from the auntie. When she found out, the auntie reported the neighbour to the police, while at police she asked the man for fifty thousand shillings(as she tried to marry off Meg) to drop the case, as compensation for all the care she had given Meg and then wanted nothing to do with her. The police couldn't allow such a transaction and referred the girl to Wakisa as a safe environment for a pregnant girl.



tailoring at the center



paper decorations made by the



Agriculture

November has been a favourable month for vocational skills where so many activities have been carried out both in class (theoretically) and in the garden (practically)

Different activities have been carried out in the garden;

- Preparing the garden

- Transplanting of spinach, cabbages, Sukuma, and eggplants

- Planting cassava, Irish potatoes and maize.
- Weeding and spraying of crops

The girls have been feeding on the leafy vegetables and cassava from the garden.

Tailoring

The girls have learnt different fashions and designs for making baby dresses, shorts, cushions, cushion covers and baby blankets from patchwork.

Art and Craft

The girls have trained in art and craft which involves crocheting, weaving, and making paper bags and envelopes. This has empowered girls with several skills that will help them engage in gainful income-generating activities and make clothes for their households. Girls were able to make paper flowers for decorations, doormats from waste yarn and cloth, baby hats, booties and headbands. Bathing sponges were made from used mosquito nets, paper beads, keyholders and money purses from palm leaves, cloth and leather materials were made as well.

Cookery Class

During the cookery classes: baking was both theoretical and practical.

In the practical bakery classes. Girls were taught modern and local ways of baking. They used both electricity and sand to bake cakes. This helps them to have different options while baking at home since most of the girls might not afford the modern way of baking which is electricity. Girls prepared a traditional sauce, of groundnut paste mixed with different vegetables. They also learnt how to make doughnuts. Girls will be able to earn profitable income.

Computer Training

Girls have learnt to open up a computer, type then save and close. They are learning about internet use



Visitors

On 5th November Arthur and friend's from Stanbic Bank celebrated his birthday with the pregnant teen girls at Wakisa.

Arthur has a generous heart, he cut the birthday cake with the girls and together with his friends donated gift items to the girls inclusive of plastic chairs and tables. Long live Arthur.

Ministry Of Gender, labour and social development together with the probation officer paid a visit to Wakisa Ministries.



chairs donated to the center



ministry visitors to the center with some staff



Thanks giving

Wakisa Ministries Thanksgiving /Open day will take place on the 10th of December 2022. This is to thank God for all His goodness to us for the year 2022.

That same day we shall also have a local fundraising drive toward the Health Center.

May the good Lord bless you, your family and your work. We will appreciate your Christmas gift to Wakisa Family

