



Evelyn taken for antenatal

Friends and Partner in Ministry,

We are profoundly grateful for your fervent prayers, concern and support for Wakisa Ministries during this time of crisis and uncertainty. There is no way we would withstand this storm if it was not for your prayers. God has sustained and kept us serving His will.

You will bear with me as this rather longish letter has the month's activities and future plan of Wakisa .

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DELIVERIES and OUTREACH



Evelyne and her baby



Faith and her baby



Faith's baby

Below are the deliveries recorded so far. Since the girls are not at the centre, the Counselling and Outreach team have been in the field following up with them and their families in the various communities. We have been able to provide all the necessary requirements for hospital for the girls and their babies.

Back home the girls are facing challenges with poor feeding and we were able to provide food and financial assistance where we could.

Evelyn 16, Baby boy. Evelyn, who stays with her aunty is having challenges back home with feeding. They only have access to one meal a day. The father of the child has since moved from his home to avoid any responsibility of taking care of Evelyn or the child. Evelyn stays in Wakiso.

Faith 14, Baby girl. Faith had her baby girl via C-Section. She received the necessary requirements including a Maama Kit from the

outreach team as well as post-natal counselling from the counselling team that went to visit her. Faith lives her uncle who has a family of 8 in Nansana however, there is not enough room in the main house and so she has to stay in the store which has been cleared. This is for a while as the uncle figures out what next. Faith's parents cannot afford to take care of her and the family where the father of the child comes from are not willing to take care of her or the baby.

Teopista 15, Baby boy. Teopista is the first born of 5 children and live with their parents in Kapeeka. Teopista shared with the counsellor during her post-natal counselling that the family faces challenges with access to food and her parents do not have a regular income. This applies to the father of the child and his family who can neither support her nor the child with basic necessities. The counselling team later went back and took clothing for the baby so he could be warm as the weather is changing

leaving him vulnerable to infections and pneumonia.

Phiona 16 years – 5 months pregnant. Making great progress t her new home and her guardians are impressed with how tidy and obedient she is. Phiona is keen to continue with tailoring and knitting skills she had learnt at Wakisa and continues to read her bible and pray.

Sheila – Was in Wakisa a while ago and has a 4 year old baby girl called Vivian. She is back to school and is eager to study and grow. Sheila is disciplined and her teachers are positive she will do well in school.

Margaret 15 years had just had a baby by Caesarean when they closed Wakisa, she was forced to return home with a fresh suture line. Her guardian and Margaret called us to inform that the suture line had become septic and they did not have money to go to hospital. We did the needful and send them some money to take Margaret to hospital

New Girl We received a young mother to be called **Annette** from Kisoro. However, we could not admit her and so we gave her the necessities we could and found a home that could accommodate as we work with closely with her uncle to resettle her.



Fiona leaving the center to her new home



Teopista with her family



Teopista 14yrs with her baby

CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Since the temporary closure of the shelter, we have been remotely engaging all the pregnant girls who left in distress. This has been done by visiting, calling their guardians on phone and talking to both the girl and her guardian. We have offered counselling and asked them to touch their bellies as we pray for them and their babies. We have visited those who have delivered both near and far to gauge their conditions at home. We have delivered delivery kits, baby clothing, food stuff and other items to them.

For those that have come through the gates in need of shelter, we have offered counselling and given the prenatal package.

Our School Sponsorship Program has been handled effectively too and the girls are in school. Hence the saying; where's there is a will, there's a way. and this morning God has put this song on my heart

GOD WILL MAKE A WAY WHERE THERE SEEMSHE WORKS IN WAYS WE CANNOT SEE!!

GIFTS

We are so grateful for the gifts we received in kind. Baby blankets, baby clothes and clothing, girl's bras and dresses from Raunds Community Church and Exeter UK. Some of these have already been distributed during the Outreach visits to the girls in the communities.



ACTIVITIES

PREVENTATIVE PROGRAM

420 books of Youth Aim High have been taken by two different Youth Conference organizers and one school. This book is designed to reassure the young boys and girls to abstain from sex and treasure their lives.

We thank God for all He has enabled us to do.

SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

All school fees payments have been made and the young mothers in school are making good progress. Our partner school have been great

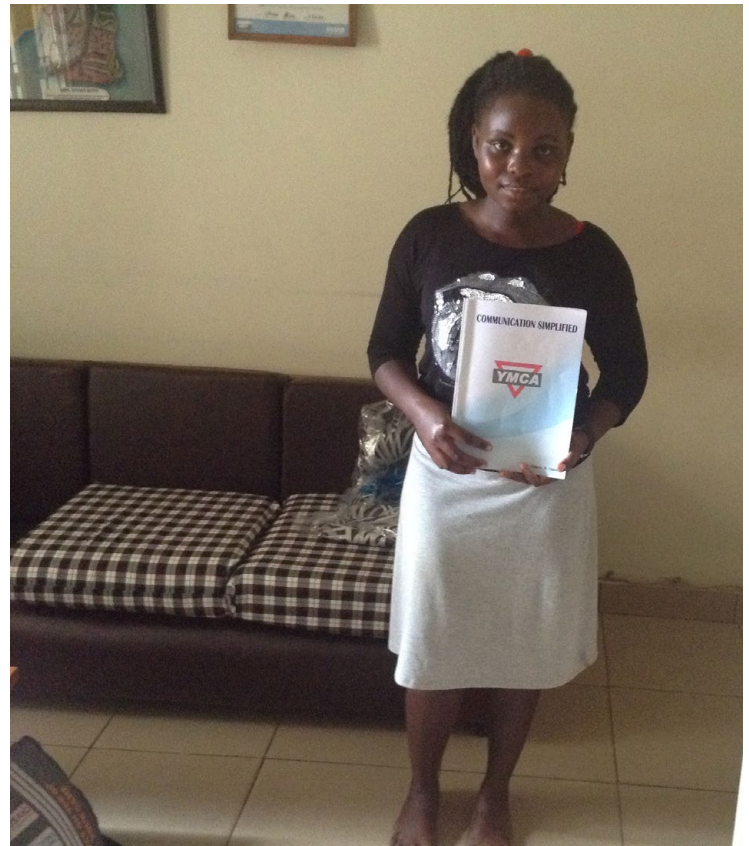
with offering counselling and guidance to the girls which has built their confidence and social capabilities over time. We are always thankful for; Buloba High School, St Micheal High School, Budo Junior School, Vision for Africa, Agromax, YMCA(U) and Ndejje University.

We have 2 candidates this year sitting for Senior 4. We wish them the best as they seat for their Ordinary level exams. These are Asha and Annabelle.

The school visitation days this term are 3rd and 10th November.



AIM books being delivered



Rebecca - YMCA



PRAYER REQUEST FOR WAY FORWARD

With the center temporarily closed, Wakisa remains heavily involved in responding to girl child crisis pregnancies on national level, advocacy and prevention of early pregnancy and specialized trauma counseling training. We do humbly appeal to you to continue supporting and to commit the following to the Lord;

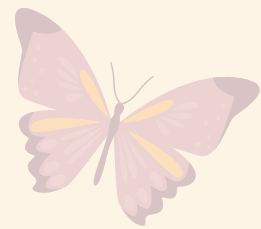
Sponsorship; There is a wait list for Sponsorship to enable young mothers to go to school and have a chance to a better future. Sylvia, a brilliant girl who is eager to go back next year to Senior 3 was abandoned by her father when he learnt she was pregnant. She lives with her grandma and the baby.

MENTORING Program; the introduction of this program will promote sexual purity through school talks nationwide. This will involve the distribution of our Booklets, testimonials shared by Wakisa ambassadors who have become successful over the years since they left Wakisa and group and individual talks. We will be supporting the ambassadors psychologically to ensure they are fit to recall

their previous experiences, willingly and confidently capable to share with the public. This activity will focus on sharing a message of hope to victims of rape and incest, raising awareness to youngster about the danger of early sexual activities, early pregnancies, encouragement to churches and the community to act and take a stand to fight sexual violence. We will organize community's dialogues on sexual violence and early pregnancy by selecting a particular community and working closely with the elders and community leaders.

We are strategizing to become the leading Advocacy organization for protection of girls from sexual violence and promotion of sexual purity. In order to move from a to z we will need you to support us to purchase a 8 SEATER van at 12,000 US the staff and resources as we visit the pregnant girls, schools and communities.

If and when we reopen the center we will resume the vocational skills training to not only pregnant girls but the young girls in school holidays.



May God bless you and your family

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