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Dear Friend and Partner

Greetings from Wakisa Ministries, it is always a pleasure to share the monthly news of the Ministry with you.

We thank the Lord our God for your partnership, helping and shielding the vulnerable group of people, the young pregnant girls from more harm and trauma. The impact of your support and partnership is remarkably revealed in transformed lives of the young mothers and the lovely babies brought in the world! We are ever so thankful to God for you.



REAL TRANSFORMATION

The BEFORE and AFTER of Victoria 15 years was as different as night and day! , From a rural setting, abused and raped by a grandfather Victoria found Wakisa environment unfamiliar, with all the emotional trauma, she was always sulky, shy and uncooperative. Initially she was waking up in the night, stood or walked in the dormitory that her fellow girls were suspicious and scared of her. She has now become a lovely, smiling cooperative Victoria. She has been soundly sleeping throughout! Thanks to prayers and counselling ,acceptance ,care and love gave her a peaceful mind.

Linda who claimed to have no religion and on loggerheads with the staff and fellow girls is now the best girl in town! After a couple of months she accepted Christ as Lord and Saviour. She is quite smart and would love to become a lawyer .She was in senior three when she conceived .Linda says *'I have felt so much at home and I am loved , when I have the food here I have my feel ,unlike at grandma's where aunties asks me whether my dad has bought it if I ask for more'*. She was brought by an organization, she has never met her dad but her mum has been coming to see her at the grandmother's home once in a while. *'I was not reading the word of God before I came but now I enjoy reading it and Psalms 143 verse 7: GOD HEALS THE BROKEN HEARTS AND BINDS THEM has encouraged me'*.

NEW GIRLS

Nine girls were admitted during this month .They have been taken for antenatal and screened for HIV and one of them is positive. She has been taken to Mildmay and now on ART treatment

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the parents who are ever absent are a contributing factor to the waywardness of their daughters. Some of the stories of these girls are heart breaking!

One of the new girls, 15 year old Doreen comes from a family of 8 children. Her dad is a carpenter and her mother a cook at a school. Both are often away from home. So Doreen ,influenced by her friends joined a

group of wayward girls and a prostitute hired 15 of them to steal from men .She was 13 when she her sister were hired and could go to night clubs dressed up in crop tops and long wigs .They could lure men and drug these men by secretly dropping a tablet in their glass which this prostitute gave them before they could go anywhere.



Learning at Wakisa

Doreen could then steal money and phones from the men who slept due to the drug .She could then take off with her stolen stuff and hand it over to the wicked woman. Doreen at times found herself being forced to sleep with some men before she could steal the phones and money. She was rescued by an organization but was found pregnant and was brought here. She says her mum never knew that Doreen smoked shisha neither was she aware of Doreen's lifestyle since the age of 13 because she busy working and had not time with them children. We hope Doreen will be too transform at Wakisa.



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Deliveries

Name	Age	Date of Delivery	Sex of the Baby	Brth Weight(kg)	Baby's Name
Nanyonjo Patricia	13yrs	8/3/2017	Baby boy	2.84	Philemon
Namakula Sylvia	15yrs	14/3/2017	Baby girl	2.7	Phoebe
Nanteza Victoria	16yrs	17/3/2017	Baby boy	2.89	Joshua
Nantale Winnie	15yrs	20/3/2017	Baby boy	2.49	Solomon
Driwaru Evelyn	15yrs	21/3/2017	Baby boy	2.47	James
Kisa Linda	16yrs	25/3/2017	Baby girl	2.97	Liz



New babies

6 girls delivered safely and all mothers and babies are doing well.

LIFE THE CENTER

The girls have enjoyed the labour of their hands through the harvest of spinach as we continue with the vocational skill training.

Counselling has been constant with emphasis on behaviour change and the need to learn the skills taught at the centre.

Group Counselling happened focusing on reconciliation and background differences. The girls have gotten to know about foetal development and labour. All the girls have had ultra sound scanning apart from the three new girls.

Most of the girls have improved on their body hygiene whereby they no longer have a bad odour.

Sai Pail Institute of Technology and Management in our neighbourhood offered 20 girls access to basic Computer training, the same institute hosted the festival of Colour which the girls attended and enjoyed.



festival of Colour



Girls with Spinach from the garden



Prayer Requests

1. For the approval of the plan funds and commencement of the construction of the Wakisa Birth Center.
2. for the safe delivery of babies of the 5 girls due to give birth in the next couple of months.
3. To get funds for administration costs and for the repair of the Gift shop.
- 4 For the new girl who is HIV positive but has failed to accept it and is throwing away all the Anti-retro viral medicines.
- 5 Doors to open for continuity of sponsorship to those young mothers already in school.
6. That girls gain more interest in the vocational skills they learn at Wakisa Ministries.

Groups of Visitors

We thank God for the Alpha Course that has started this month and for individuals and groups we received at the centre including

All Saints Church ,Phyllis and team ,Ghanaian Ambassador ,Mothers Union ,Fathers Union ,Dr Maggie Kigozi and team ,IMC team led by Mr Livingstone and visitors from the Netherlands .



Girls in School

Racheal and Jane went to visit the different schools where Wakisa Girls study;

School	Date
Buloba Primary School	3rd March 2017
Vision Africa	18th March 2017
St Michael High School	26th March 2017
Agromax	28th March 2017



Follow Up and School visits

The counsellor went and visited Deziranta at her new home. Dezy broke in tears when she saw Jane and she asked if she can come back to Wakisa as the life is quite different!


As an approach to prevention of AIDS AND EARLY PREGNANCY, I had the privilege to give a talk to 150 senior school girls of Wampewo Ntake Secondary school on Sexuality Education and gave our Growing up Books .This was by invitation on the 8th of March women's day.



We are ever so grateful for your love and support and may God continue to bless you as you bless these young mothers and their babies.

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