



# WAKISA MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

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## Official Opening

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## Dear Friend & Partner in Ministry

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus!

May the Lord's name be praised, the dormitory and hall construction is completed! Restored to full health is Noah the builder who fell off the upper floor, he has long been discharged from hospital! Thank you, thank you so much for your great support and prayers.

Please rejoice in the Lord with me for His love and faithfulness during the tough times and not so good times. He has done mighty things in this place! Impacting the pregnant girls through His word and the Ministry activities. May His name be exalted for the finished dormitory! He honours your partnership and my very simple faith!



GIRLS ENTERING THE NEW DORMITORY

## FINISHING AND OFFICIAL OPENING

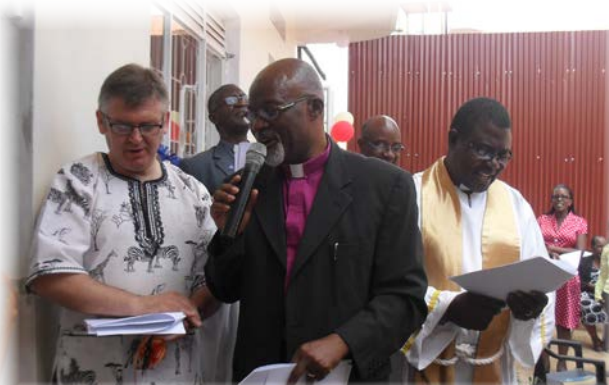
While the building was all plastered and roofed by May, it still remained an empty shell. The good Lord sent Dr. David Orr, with a team of skilled, competent men from Kilkeel Northern Ireland. (Pastor Steven, Edmund, Jim, David M, Phillip and Sam) They flew in the country, accomplished the mission of finishing the building and in a period of two weeks. By the time I returned home, the dormitory and hall had been tiled, painted, electrical wiring installed and plumbing system. Dr. Allan who examined and medically reviewed each girl and the staff was part of the team from Ireland and we thank him. To the entire team, we say thank you.

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with gratitude for the financial support dear partner towards the new dormitory and hall which is indeed “BEAUTY OUT OF ASHES” and for the entire Ministry ,the Board of Trustees join me in thanking you.

We have been blessed by Gavin Marshal and Julie Marshal who are currently here at Wakisa .Julie busy teaching the nurses in trauma counselling at Mengo Hospital. Gavin checking, correcting and computerizing our accounts system and training the staff members in the use of Microsoft excel. He has also put a coat of paint to the dining room which has been the dormitory.

It was all thrills and excitement as the girls moved in a new clean building .This is first group of girls to occupy the new area and they could not hide their joy as they energetically carried their belongings up the dormitory The former dormitory is now turned in the dining room.



OFFICIAL OPENING OF DORMITORY & HALL

Though all the finishing work was paid and done by the team from Ireland, the building engineer is still claiming 10,000,000 Uganda Shillings as labour from Wakisa Ministries!



GIRLS IN THE NEW DORMITORY

## SCHOOL MOTHERS BRINGING HOPE

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Arabella was 15 years when she was brought to Wakisa Ministries in 2007. She was in Senior 2 when she came. She was taken back to school by her big sister in her 2nd year at the University doing a course in Business Administration. She told the girls her story, what she learned at Wakisa and how she is pursuing her degree now.

Dinah who has completed her University course, and hope for a brighter future, she is here working alongside our book keeper

When the pregnant girls see Bella and Hamida in primary school uniforms, they realize that God can raise them too from disgrace to grace! Bella who is now 15 years always engaged in fights and quarrels with other girls at Wakisa. She could not comply with regulations and argued with staff, wet bed, used vulgar language and lacked moral values. Now a pupil and mother she is now settled in school with changed behaviour! Gavin and Julie Marshal have not only sponsored Bella in school but supports Bella's baby and grandmother.

When the girls talk with Vanessa who has been from senior 3 to senior 6 now, they pray that God will find sponsors for them too after giving birth to their babies.

Sponsoring a young mother in school will empower them and give them confidence. We pray that these young pupils and student young mothers will continually be sponsored to complete their education.

## Vocational Skills & Training

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Phoebe Namulwana said 'life after Wakisa is not easy especially when you are an orphan!' She was here in 2011 and has managed to survive by making doughnuts, chapattis and cassava chips which she learnt to make at Wakisa Ministries. She is thankful to God for this organization for training her. She makes just

enough to hire a room, pay fees for her little boy and food

Our new cookery class/urban agriculture is Penina.

We do need a new tailoring teacher so please pray for us.

has been assisted by our Agriculture teacher. The girls will also apply the skills back home. As he concludes his time with us



MAKING SAMOSAS



PREGNANCY & INFANT CARE CLASS

## BIRTHS

To avert neonatal deaths which is high in Uganda, the Ministry of Health is appealing to the hospitals retain mothers for two weeks after birth of their babies. We thank God for keeping the lives of the babies and that of their young mothers. We will keep the mother for two weeks before she can go home.

13 girls have had their babies between the month of May and June and gone home. There 23 girls currently. We are ever so grateful to God that though the maternal mortality rate is high in Uganda, the Lord had protected the mothers here.

Both our youngest girls had babies by Caesarian section.

When Phina 12 years had her premature baby boy weighing 1.6 Kgs, she was retained in the hospital for a period of two weeks

.The baby was in a special care unit incubator .On discharge she was not ready or willing to hold her in her arms to breast feed and she lapsed back to wetting and soiling all her bed linen the first night. It was imperative therefore for us to take her baby to a baby's home. Phina had had great positive changes and impact during her time at Wakisa. The bed wetting had ceased, she had learned communicating with other girls, how to bath, brush her teeth and use a toilet. She was able to scribble down her name too. She accepted Christ as Lord and Saviour as she was led in the bible study. The old grandfather was contacted and he took his grandchild.

Jackie 13 had stayed for over a month after having her baby. Defiled by her dad and no mother to go back to, she was eventually taken to a friend and neighbour of her auntie. The only auntie had shifted and no one knew whereabouts. When she was located, she refused to take in Jackie and the baby. Although she had never been in class, Jackie was one girl who was not willing to start school on grounds that she could not speak English. She kept her baby despite the taboo of incest and she had forgiven her dad who is still in prison.



PHINA FROM HOSPITAL WITH HER BABY

### FAMILY

I was invited to Australia in May and this came at a time when I needed a break .I had fatigue and stress as the building of the dormitory and hall went on .So the visit was timely and God ordained .

My time in Australia was quite beneficial to the Ministry and to me personally. Thanks to Worldshare that made it possible for me to travel with an itinerary meeting and talking to different people and churches about the work and broaden the support base of Wakisa Ministries. It is my prayer that God will use you to give on a regular basis so that we will cover the running costs of the Ministry. I had a great time during the last week of my stay with Paula and Barry my longtime friend. Paula and I went for a short holiday to Terrigal.

I came back to a house where the electricity of my home had a short circuit and had to get the electrician .Half of the work of is still pending.

Susan, Paul's wife is expecting and she has been having a morning sickness .Paul's clientele is growing as he receives contracts for website designing.

Tim is getting married in November to Ruth .He is looking for another job as he is not quite happy with the current one.

I do covet your prayers for all the above.

Thank you ever so much gratitude for all your support and care.



VALENCIA WITH HER MUM AND NEW BORN JEREMIAH



BRENDA WITH BABY HENRY



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