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"A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS"

ONLINE FUNDRAISER FOR OUR TWO HEADMASTER'S NEW HOMES



The online fundraiser was live on social media from May 23rd to June 10th. During this time, ChristAid received **\$48,980** towards construction of new housing for the headmasters of our Primary and Secondary Schools, so that their current housing area can be used as additional space for the new Secondary School !! The space is badly needed by the school itself due to unexpectedly high enrollment.

This is 93% of our goal of \$52,500 !! If you participated in this fundraiser, **PRAISE GOD AND THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** We hope to begin construction in about two months, after the fifth duplex in the Grandma Village is complete.

We feel much more comfortable starting a building project like this, when we are fully funded. Please consider a gift to help us reach our goal by the time we are ready to begin!! We still need \$3,520 to finish the first two homes on the land we have recently purchased for the new teacher housing complex just down the road from the schools. Please send a check or donate on the website today! 🏠

SPONSORSHIP OF "AHADI KIDS" (INTO SCHOOL) AND "GRANDMAS FOR JESUS" (FOR BASIC SURVIVAL) REMAINS A HIGH PRIORITY

Sponsoring our Ahadi Kids into our ChristAid school system provides them with a variety of benefits including **school uniforms** (which are simple and colorful - usually the finest clothing they own); a **school lunch**, which may be the first food they have received that day; the benefit of **care from our school nurse**, and the **loving guidance of a teaching staff** of over 40 Christian teachers in the three schools ChristAid administers.

Besides all the other obvious benefits of a **Christian education**, it is of **great value** for our students to learn English in our schools, which provides them with a huge advantage in seeking a better life than their small agriculturally based villages may be able to provide.



Meet four-year-old **Ritah Mbabazi**, who is one of four children in her home. Her single mother is a peasant farmer who struggles to simply feed the family and is not able to pay school fees. Ritah's jobs at home include chasing chickens from people's gardens 🐔 🐔 and carrying water from the well to her home!! She wants to be a nurse and help people someday. If sponsored, her fees at the Preschool would be \$40 per month, where she would receive all the benefits previously mentioned. If you feel called to sponsor this speedy defender of vegetable gardens, please contact the CA Office, or go to the ChristAid website. Email- ChristAid@ChristAidIntl.org or Web ChristAidIntl.org/Ahadi-kids 😊

At 16 years old, **Joshua Kahuma** is a serious young student who has completed his studies at ChristAid Primary School. He is one of six children of peasant farmers and is a prime candidate for moving into the new Secondary School at this time, where his monthly fees for school would be \$70 per month. Joshua's favorite subject is mathematics, and he aspires to be an engineer. He will have little opportunity to realize this dream unless he receives help from a loving US sponsor.

Joshua works in the garden to help feed his family, has the responsibility of grazing the goats nearby and doing washing for the family. **He is exactly who the new Secondary school was built for!**



Our "Grandmas for Jesus" group are a beautiful collection of 130+ aging Grandmas who often are called upon to be the **"head of the family" to care and provide for their grandchildren** even though they often experience serious health issues and stark physical limitations. For the current \$35 sponsorship per month, Grandmas receive shillings that they can spend on their greatest need. Grandmas also receive assistance and care from our loving and dedicated ChristAid staff, including pastoral care and assistance managing their household, if needed. Included in the sponsorship, Grandmas have the benefit of medical insurance for basic health needs including a three-day hospital stay if required.

To demonstrate the importance of sponsorship in the lives of our Grandmas - **consider what one sponsor found out about her Grandma's living conditions at the June 4th Zoom Meeting.** When this Grandma was introduced to her sponsor for the first time, she literally crawled into the ChristAid computer screen on the Uganda side, to speak rapid-fire in the "lutooro dialect" telling of her extreme thankfulness for sponsorship and love from a previously unknown benefactor.

Before sponsorship, this Grandma was heavily involved with **alcohol**, living in a shack which was often inhabited by **poisonous snakes** due to holes in the walls **AND** Grandma had a large infestation of **painful "jiggers"** residing under the skin of her arms and legs from sleeping on bare ground...

That same Grandma chose to use her support money to repair her house to keep out snakes, visit the hospital to have the jiggers removed, and purchased a bed frame and mattress to get herself off of the dirt while sleeping! Grandma has managed to leave her alcohol dependence behind! **Now you understand why she had gratitude and excitement to share with her sponsor!!!** God is good! Although we thankfully don't often find a situation this dire, it is a credit to the Grandma Program and of the **annual Zoom Meeting** that we find and resolve such heart-wrenching situations. Please prayerfully consider how you might be able to **assist other Grandmas shown below or on the ChristAid website.**

Meet **Grandma Leonida Kahinju** who lives in the small village of Mugasani. She is 81 years old but has a big responsibility to care for **seven** of her grandchildren! Her only means of supporting them is digging in other people's gardens in exchange for food. Can you imagine how stressful her life must be?

Grandma suffers from high blood pressure and would greatly appreciate the health care benefit which is part of sponsorship. Please prayerfully consider helping!



The word "Grandma" is translated to "Mukaka" in the lutooro dialect. So please consider sponsoring a Ugandan **MUKAKA** today!! She will be a blessing in YOUR life as well-guaranteed! ChristAidIntl.org/grandmas-for-jesus

This is **Grandma Beatrice Nyagoma** who is **86 years old!** Her son left to find work some time ago and did not return, leaving her with four grandchildren to provide for. Grandma has swollen legs, ulcers, and high blood pressure, so she is unable to even dig in gardens in exchange for food which is what many people do in Uganda to survive.

Grandma and the children live entirely on the good will of other people to survive! **A sponsorship would mean the world to Beatrice and the children in terms of dignity and security.** If you are able to help this family, please call the office or sponsor her on the website!



CHRISTAID FALL FUNDRAISER BANQUET

THOUGHTS BY PASTOR BRUCE - THE FIVE "W's OF THE FALL BANQUET

WHAT: ChristAid Fall Fundraiser Banquet - Themed... **"God is Good!"**

WHEN: Friday, September 30, 2022 5:30 PM

WHERE: Waterstone Community Church, Littleton, CO 80127

WHO: **YOU - WE HOPE!**

WHY: To celebrate what God is doing in Uganda and continue that work!

The Board of Directors of ChristAid continues to be amazed at what God has been doing through ChristAid in Uganda. **Despite the pandemic raging all around the world**, our Grandma Village was nearly completed, and five Grandmas were welcomed into new homes there. In January of 2022, over 300 students began studies at the new ChristAid Secondary School, and the ChristAid office and apartment building construction made excellent progress.

"God is Good!" You will hear it on the lips of many from Uganda who have experienced the blessing of being a part of the ChristAid family. A video we recently received and will share at the Banquet is filled with our Ugandan brothers and sisters celebrating the goodness of God. **"God is Good!"** they shout.

His goodness is seen in the kindness and generosity that you demonstrate through your sponsorship and support of the ministry of ChristAid. **Because of you, God is praised in Uganda.** Pretty cool, huh?

To the Five "W's" of the Banquet, we add an "H"... **HOW** can you help?

- Plan now to attend the Banquet and think about who you could bring as guests
- Sponsor your first Ahadi Kid or Grandma or add another sponsorship while you are there!
- Help now by assisting us to find auction items for the Banquet

One of the fun things we do at the Banquet is to have an auction. We are always in need of fun and unique items to auction off. Can you help us with that? Ideas for auction items include themed gift baskets, craft items, sporting event or concert tickets, weekend getaway packages - or about anything else you can think of!!

We would greatly appreciate your help with contributing auction items. One more thing - You will be invited to bid on items online even before the banquet begins so watch for information on what and how as we get closer to the Banquet! "Personal shoppers" will be available to help

The price of our delicious African buffet at the Fundraiser Banquet is unchanged from last year!! Have you ever heard of such a thing in this economy?? The individual meal is \$40 again this year and if you would like to pay for a table of eight, the discounted price is \$300 per table. Reservations may be made and paid for online at our website or by sending a check to the office address shown at the top of the newsletter. **It will be a joyful evening!!**