

HOPE IN AFRICA March Update

Grateful thanks for a safe trip to Uganda

Peter Smith and I had a good trip out to Uganda . We were grateful to the Lord for good transport, and safe places to stay. We visited everywhere we planned to go, plus several more besides! In 14 days we spoke 10 times in churches and schools, visited 6 schools, 5 churches and 1 clinic! I now have the task of getting all that we saw into a semblance of order for our board meeting in April.

Completed building works



The teachers' accommodation at Kakubansiri has been finished and four out of the six units are occupied. The other two will be getting tenants soon. There is also a toilet/washroom at these facilities. Hope in Africa has paid for this work.



At Hope Christian High School, the boys dormitory is all but finished, just a perimeter wall to finish. There is also a new lower perimeter wall being built at the school where the local stream runs. Two thirds of this wall has been completed by a UK donor and school funds. We hope to finish off the wall later this month.

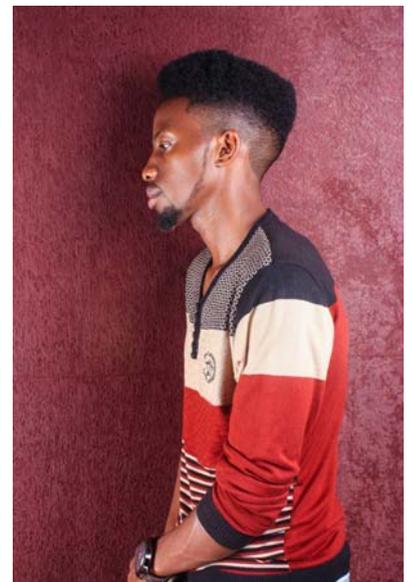
At Elohim school in Naluwerere, the well that we financed is up and running.

Child2Child Kenyan family.

Kirwa, our policeman, is stationed at Mandera in North-East Kenya. There has been significant fighting of terrorist forces. But the police are caught up in it too. Kirwa has reported, *"It's a little rough but I trust God that all will be well. We are watching as conflicting parties from Somalia fight within our borders and we can't do anything. The locals are moving out to other neighbouring towns."*

Isaac, who at present is hawking wares at bus stops, saw my Facebook posts about the children at the schools in Uganda and has asked to sponsor a child at Kakubansiri. He can only afford £4 per month, but already he has put across two months worth.

Ibrahim, who has been in remission for his cancer had five months tests and the test revealed that there are small particles in neighbouring tissue. So he has to go for a further round of radiotherapy and associated tests. He recently posted this on Facebook, *"Lord I know you have better plans for me and for my generation. I believe that whatever am facing and going through isn't permanent for me, a time is coming when the storm will calm down. "*



UK administration.

Our accounts are now ready for board approval at our next Trustees meeting in April (It is 7th April and so there will be no prayer meeting next month) and will then be sent off to the Charity commissioners. We also have to sort out Gift Aid for the last tax year at the beginning of April. Many of our donors have told us that we can claim gift aid on their behalf. If you have given during the last year and you would like us to claim gift aid, then please let us know soon. Your gifts increase by 25% through this HMRC initiative.

Visit to Africa

Matthew and Michelle will be travelling out to Malawi and Kenya just after Easter for three weeks. With the Covid-19 virus around, travelling will not be easy. As we are not having a prayer meeting in April because of our trustees meeting, set out below is the itinerary of our trip.

Date	Doing what	Date	Doing what
14/4	Take off LHR to Malawi 18.25	1/5	See any boys based in Nakuru
15/4	Arrive Malawi 12 noon.	2/5	Visit friends in Nakuru
16-23/4	With Damson in Blantyre and at Penuel School with Glory.	3/5	Visit Morning Star Academy, Nakuru
24/4	Leave Malawi and travel to Nairobi	4/5	To Nairobi
25/4	Travel to Nakuru	5/5	See boys and friends around Nairobi
26/4	Speaking in Life Changing Worship Centre	5/5	A-Kili Foundation board meeting
27/4	Travel to A-Kili Foundation at Itigo	6/5	Leave Nairobi 09:20
30/4	Back to Nakuru		Arrive back to LHR 16:15

Sponsorship of children and young people

So far this year we have had 3 new sponsors to help children in Africa. We would love to have more!! We realise that this is a long term commitment, and so if you could consider a two year sponsorship instead of many years, then we would be grateful. Two years for a primary child is £360 and for a secondary young person is £720. (£15 and £30 per month respectively).

Once again we thank you for all your prayers and support that we receive towards building a secure future for these young ones in Uganda, Kenya and Malawi.

[Next Prayer Meeting 12th May.](#)

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