

RAINING HOPE

“And he will send showers of rain so every field becomes a lush pasture.” Zechariah 10:1

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Dear Raining Hope Sponsors and Supporters:

Greetings to you our dear sponsors and partners. We thank the Lord for all that you do for us as the Raining Hope family here in Uganda.

This Easter season we are thankful to God for the sacrifice of His only son Jesus Christ and His resurrection from the dead. Through His death and resurrection, we are brought together as one body to those who believe. It is with this spirit that you have showed love and care to us.

We pray that this Easter season you will experienced real life in all you do through the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. We are praying for you and we have you all at heart.

May God keep you and shield you in all you do and satisfy you with good things.

Blessed Easter week
Godfrey



COMPLIANCE UPDATE

We are so thankful for all we accomplished when we were faced with the **initial compliance requirements**. This was due to your immediate response. There is still more to accomplish in Phase 2.

With an effort to combat corruption, officials have closed up homes that are not implementing the operational rules or have illegal permits. Godfrey had to submit a work plan with **key requirements** to complete by **June 2024 in order to receive our official permit to operate**. If we don't complete all of these things by June 2024, we will be asked to dissolve and face penalties.

Here are items in Phase 2 that we need to complete by June 2024:

1. **A visiting doctor & nurse** for weekly visits. We need to create a **nursing space** separate from the office.
2. **Regular clothing budget** for personal hygiene.
3. **Purchase new chairs**. We already are close to covering the new couches. We also need to replace dining room chairs.
4. **Self-sustaining project/income generating activity** - We started this right before COVID. But the chickens we were raising had to be sold due to the outrageously high cost of feed during the pandemic.
5. **Community development project** - We had these in development before COVID. We are now being asked to implement them.
6. **A van**. We currently have one car. They require a standby vehicle for emergencies in case Godfrey is not home.
7. **Repairing the wall - partially complete - more work was needed than originally anticipated**
8. **COMPLETED** - New sign post
9. **COMPLETED** - Repairing the gate

We accomplished so much in a short time in order to initially comply. **We appreciate your prayers as we continue to complete all that is needed**. There is so much more to do in the lives of our Raining Hope family. We will have more details regarding the self-sustaining projects and community development project in the next newsletter as well as plans for raising funds. Continue to pray for the necessary funds for compliance. Any funds given towards this should be marked "COMPLIANCE". Please contact Carol John or Mama Eydie if you have any questions.



FIRST TERM SCHOOL FEES, SUPPLIES & BOARDING

Senior Secondary School

Joanne	Senior 6
Tamarah	Senior 6
Dan	Senior 4
Jemimah	Senior 3
Jael	Senior 1

Dreams & Goals

Nurse
Accountant
Business
Accountant
Doctor

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Senior Secondary School: \$2,227 or \$445 each

Primary School

Jireh	Primary 6	Drama
Hope	Primary 3	Pilot
Trust	Primary 2	

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Primary & Kindergarten School: \$849 or \$283 each

Post Secondary School/Trade School - INTERNSHIPS

Difasi	Hotel & Tourism	Tour Guide	\$ 205
		(Already covered \$164)	
Sophia	Fashion Design	Fashion Design	\$ 288
Joel	Electrical Installation	Electrician	\$ 178
Henry (Last term)	Business Computing	IT Technician	\$ 888

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Post Secondary School/Trade School \$1,559

GRAND TOTAL FOR STUDENT SCHOOL FEES, & BOARDING DUE NOW \$4,635

Sent -\$2,250

New Balance \$2,385

We appreciate you **joining us in prayer. Thank you for giving our students hope for their futures.**

They are extremely grateful to all of you for your support and your prayers.

Fees are currently due as they are almost done with the first term and have exams next week.

UPDATE ON INTERNSHIPS:

Difasi is posted in Kasese District where Queen Elizabeth Park is located

Sophia is posted in Mbale City where Mt. Elgon is located

Joel is posted in Jinja City

Henry will be done with his business courses this year and has been performing well in school

Maria unfortunately did not pass all her courses. We are discussing what this means in terms of repeating courses

UPDATE ON PROMOTIONS & CANDIDATE CLASSES

Zuluta finished secondary school! She will join university courses in August

Jael completed primary school level! She promoted to secondary school level.

Tamarah, Joanne & Daniel are all in candidate classes this year to complete secondary level. They will do their national exams this year.



BUDGET: Pray for our monthly budget needs. **Compliance issues, higher school fees and an increase in the monthly radio costs** contributed to the monthly budget challenges. Godfrey has been making due by decreasing certain costs mainly in the area of food. Thank you for all who are monthly sponsors of the ministry. It has been a challenge with the loss last year of some larger donations. **We appreciate your prayers as we trust God to do what only He can do.**

SCHOOL FEES: The balance of **\$2,385** is currently due. We want to clear the balance before students get sent home.

REPAIRS: The outdoor toilet doors are worn and broken. We will need to replace the three doors. **Cost is \$320.**

FUMIGATION: We need to fumigate the house. **Cost will be \$55.**

RADIO: Please keep our radio ministry in your prayers because the monthly cost for the radio ministry has **increased from \$135 a month to \$160.** We have had a few sponsors who in the past gave directly to fund the radio ministry. Please keep this ministry in your prayers.

COMPLIANCE: We have been incredibly blessed by your gifts to help us stay open. We have much to **accomplish by June 2024.** Please join us in prayer. We want to be explained by the miraculous so God receives all the credit to do what only He can do.

EASTER MEAL: We want to send funds for our family to have an Easter meal.

HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO RAINING HOPE

CHECKS: Please mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go to such as **BUDGET, SCHOOL FEES, COMPLIANCE etc.** If multiple donations come in for a designated need, excess funds will be placed in the budget to cover the overall needs. If there is no designation it will go into the budget to use at our discretion.

Checks can be sent directly to our Treasurer, Carol John at 11832 Quince Mill Drive, North Potomac, MD 20878 or to our Raining Hope offices c/o Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Road #206, Ventura, CA 93003.

***CREDIT CARD:** On our website www.raininghope.org choose DONATE. Follow the prompts.

***TEXT-TO-GIVE:** On your phone send a text to 844-544-7171 and text the phrase RAININGHOPE. Follow the prompts to give by credit card.



ZELLE: If your bank uses Zelle for money transfers you may send money instantly to Raining Hope.

***QR CODE:** Scan this QR code. **Follow the prompts to give by credit card.**



If you have any questions about ways to give, please contact Carol John - carol@raininghope.org. All donations are tax deductible. Raining Hope Incorporated is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization.

Note: * These methods of donating require a credit card. Raining Hope pays 2.5% to 3% on these gifts. There is an option for the donor to pay all or some of the credit card fees.