RAININGHOPE

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

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The radio ministry continues to reach people for Christ with the Word of God. As a result of the Radio Ministry, we had a baptismal service at the Nile River on January 30, 2022. We had **thirty people who were baptized that day!** Before their baptism, they train

people in a **discipleship class for three months.** They wait until they have at least ten people per class. We plan to have an **annual baptismal service at the Nile each January.** Baptizing with a larger group helps to reduce the cost of hosting the baptism at the Nile.

Here are photos of some of those who participated in the baptismal services in January. On page 4 there are testimonies of two of the individuals who were baptized that day. Praise the Lord!









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Annet



As previously reported, we have had immediate dental issues with Annet and Jael that required root canals and crowns. The organization and dental hospital Godfrey began to work with is called "Hope Smiles". They offered a 15% discount to partner with us. It is very fair compared to other organizations which charge much more. Hope Smiles offers very good dental services.



Henry



After the dental issues with Annet and Jael, they were concerned about the dental health of all our children. They offered to come and do a dental checkup for everyone at half the price. They now have a recommendation and dental plan for each one. This is important to help with their current dental issues and cutting down future dental costs.

Annet, Sharon & Zuluta have already had dental procedures that needed

immediate attention. The balance for these three treatments is \$288.



Jireh

with

Hope Smiles has evaluated fifteen others and worked with Godfrey to come up dental treatment plans. This includes cleanings, root canals, crowns, extractions and fillings. There may be a need for some to have braces.

We haven't had an organization working with us for preventative dentistry. Once we are able to solve immediate dental issues, Hope Smiles will continue to keep up with regular cleanings and check ups.

The needed budget for the fifteen that have been evaluated is \$792.

Grand Total due for eighteen of our family members to have needed dental procedures is \$1080.



Vivian



Sharon



Sophia



Joanne



Jemimah



Tamarah



Maria



Daniel

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PRAISE THE LORD FOR ANSWERED PRAYER!



We want to thank everyone who contributed towards the school fees for the first term of 2022! It was a HUGE answer to prayer that all fees, boarding and supplies were covered due to your generosity and support. We currently have six students in secondary school (high school). There are four in Primary and Kindergarten (Elementary). Joan is in her last term of university courses for Social Work. We have five beginning their post secondary school education.



Separate from the school fee budget we were informed the four students in post secondary/trade school (Difasi, Sophia, Maria & Joel) are in need of **smartphones** to do their course work. Due to the current study schedule, most of their work is sent on **WhatsApp study groups and online course work.** Henry is required to have a **laptop as his course is in Business Computing.**

Cost for these additional requirements:

Four smartphones: \$114 each = \$456 Total

One laptop: \$270

Data Bundles for one month: \$57

Grand Total: \$783

The phones and laptop will be the property of Raining Hope not the individual students for school use only. This need is immediate as currently they are having all coursework forwarded to Godfrey's phone. We don't want them to have to repeat any courses if they fall too far behind.

HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO RAINING HOPE



CHECKS: Mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go to such as SCHOOL SUPPLIES etc. or BUDGET and send to our stateside office. If multiple donations come in for a specific need, funds will be placed in the budget to cover the needs. If there is no designation it will go in budget to use at our discretion.

CREDIT CARD: You can also make credit card donations on our website - www.raininghope.org. **TEXT TO GIVE:** If you would like to send a text to give to Raining Hope by credit card, just send a text to 844-544-7171 and text RAININGHOPE. Follow the prompts and you will receive a receipt! Text to Give has no additional charges.

If you have any questions about ways to give, please contact Carol John - 805-377-7387

Mail can be sent directly to Carol John or to our Raining Hope offices in Ventura Carol John - 11832 Quince Mill Drive - North Potomac, MD 20878

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PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE

Update:

1. FOOD SUPPLY & FUEL:

The prices are still very high which continues to increase our monthly budget. There has been a rise in fuel prices that began even before the current situation in Ukraine. This causes an increase in the prices of goods and services because of the rise in transportation costs.

2. COMPLIANCE-

All faith-based and non-governmental organizations operating within the city of Jinja must re-register under the new compliance changes due to the city of Jinja incorporating. Due to the current terror attacks, there is a need to scrutinize all organizations. The city security officers claimed that some organizations have been funding terrorists.

PRAISE UPDATE! The registration budget that was a requirement for the new compliance changes was covered by generous donations! Godfrey now is in process of working with the City Council Authorities. Continue to pray as we work through this process of re-registration and approval. We will continue to update you on the progress in upcoming newsletters.



TO ALL WOMEN OF RAINING HOPE:

Greetings to you all our dear women friends, sponsors and partners of Raining Hope. We celebrate you today, March 8, 2022 as very important women in our lives. Thank you all for the great work that you are doing and all the love and support. This International Women's Day reminds us of all of you and how precious you are to us in many ways. God is using you so much in our lives and putting a smile on many faces here in Uganda. Thank you for trusting our Mum Eydie for such a noble task. You are so loved by us and we keep you in our prayers always. We love you and wish you a blessed Women's Day 2022!

With love, Godfrey

"Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all. Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works being her praise at the city gate." Proverbs 31:29-31



Here are two testimonies of those baptized on January 30, 2022:

Christine: She is a police officer who lives and works near our police station at Ambercoart. She said it is exciting for her to be

baptized because it made her feel that she is being born into the family of God's people. She said that working with the police comes with many challenges some of which are direct attacks on her character. After being baptized, she felt like a heavy load was lifted off her shoulders. She had been in fear of the water but the moment she stepped into the Nile, God gave her strength and she knew she was a new being. In the police department, those who are Christians are seen as fanatics because they tend to be an obstacle to many in the department who want to do wrong. Christine said it was important for her to openly declare her faith that she belongs to Christ. This will help the world to know that Jesus is at the center of her life and all her actions.

Kisakye: This woman works with the police as well and lives in Kampala. She has been following the radio program and got in touch with one of us. She had issues with her work where she was disturbed by demonic attacks. After hearing the message over the radio, she decided to believe in Christ and walk with the Lord. When the time for baptism came, she was willing to be baptized as a sign that she gave her life to Christ and she is a new creation. After being baptized, she rose up out of the water shouting, "I am free now!" Since her baptism, she was totally delivered from the demonic oppression.



Godfrey said he is so thankful to God for His grace and mercy and to be able to baptize His people. We had other church members baptized as well. Sophia, one of our students was baptized as she missed the trip we had a few years ago to Entebbe where we baptized a large number of our students at Lake Victoria. She was happy to identify with the Lord in baptism!





Godfrey thanks God for the Radio Ministry and how through it God is impacting the lives of so many people. Thank you

so much for your continued prayers and support for this important part of our ministry!

Sophia