RAINING HOPE

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

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CALL TO PRAYER



Last year I discovered a wonderful devotional called **"On Our Knees: 40 Days to Living Boldly in Prayer.""** by Phil Wickham.

In the forward of the book, Phil Wickham talks about how this book on prayer began with a song he wrote called, **"Battle Belongs".**

<u>https://youtu.be/qtvQNzPHn-w</u> "The words of the song began from a simple phrase that caught our attention about prayer: **'fighting on our knees'''.** I was excited to start the devotional that "**captured the mix of commitment and surrender that goes into praying**."

"On Our Knees" has become a favorite devotional of mine. It taught me that "prayer is so much more than a religious routine; it is a pathway to true intimacy with Him." I am "learning to pray with the expectation that He will answer according to His perfect love."

There are a little more than **40 Days before I leave for Uganda.** I am going to use these days of preparation to go through this devotional again. You are always an important part of my journey when I travel to Uganda. Your prayers and support are such an encouragement. I am asking you to join me on my journey in a special **"Call to Prayer - On Our Knees".**

I will be sending another update this week with details about the **Send Off Celebration, Introduction and Wedding.** This edition includes the **balance due of school fees for the second term.** We will have a **virtual fundraiser** in the days leading up to the trip for the necessary events.

We have an exciting summer ahead of us! God is doing great and miraculous things! Will you join me as we "fight on our knees" and watch God do what only He can do?!

(*quotes are from the introduction by Phil Wickham pages v-ix)

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SECOND TERM SCHOOL FEES, SUPPLIES & BOARDING

Senior Secondary School		Dreams & Goals	
Zuluta	Senior 6	Accountant	
Joanne	Senior 5	Nurse	
Tamarah	Senior 5	Accountant	
Dan	Senior 3	Business	
Jemimah	Senior 2	Accountant	

Sub-total for Scho	idary School: \$1346 or \$269 each		
Primary School			
Jael	Primary 7	Doctor	
Jireh	Primary 5	Drama	
Норе	Primary 2	Pilot	
Trust	Primary 1		

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Primary & Kindergarten School: \$1052 or \$263 each

Post Secondary School/Trade School

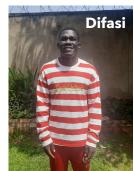
Difasi	Hotel & Tourism	Tour Guide	\$ 447
Maria	Hotel & Tourism	Chef	\$ 425
Sophia	Fashion Design	Fashion Design	\$ 364
Joel	Electrical Installation	Electrician	\$ 372
Henry	Business Computing	IT Technician	\$ 888



Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Post Secondary School/Trade School

	\$2,496
GRAND TOTAL FOR STUDENT SCHOOL FEES, & BOARDING DUE NOW	\$4894
Funds sent:	-\$2000
Balance Due:	\$2894

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.









On Our Knees - Bold Praying

- 1. School Fees Balance currently due \$2894
- 2. Send-Off/Graduation Celebration for Joan, Jesca, Hillary, Sylvia and Vivian July 29, 2023 \$936
- 3. The Introduction Ceremony for Hilary & Florence August 5, 2023.
- 4. The Wedding for Hilary & Florence August 12, 2023.

The cultural significance and budgets will be in the next special update.

- 5. Mama Eydie's Travel to Uganda July 25, 2023-August 15, 2023. Cost of airfare & hotel will be approximately \$2,300.
- 6. Monthly Budget In May our monthly budget increased 30% due to unexpected medical needs. June it returned to a little over the average of \$2,687. We were not able to send all of the budget for a second straight month. A few large gifts that are given at the beginning or end of the year, have helped us have funds on hand to send the full budget at the beginning of each month. Please be in prayer as those funds are running low and monthly budget needs are increasing.
- 7. Repairing the Wall We need to repair the back wall that was damaged from recent storms which includes the materials (stones, iron bars, cement, sand etc.), transport and labor. Currently the cost is \$1,681.

UPDATED WAYS TO MAKE A DONATION

CHECKS: Please mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go to such as SCHOOL FEES, WALL, CELEBRATIONS, etc. or BUDGET. 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 <u>www.raininghope.org</u> 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.



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



NEW! ZELLE: If your bank uses Zelle for **Zelle** money transfers you may send money instantly to Raining Hope. Follow the prompts and select 805-377-7387.

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.