

# RAINING HOPE

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

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## *Announcing the Wedding of Hillary & Florence!*

In the May 2023 newsletter, we formally announced the wedding of Hillary & Florence!

**The Wedding** is being planned for **August 12, 2023**.

**The Introduction Ceremony** will be the weekend before on **August 5, 2023**. Culturally, an Introduction Ceremony is essentially an engagement party where the two families meet and formally agree to the future marriage of the bride and groom. These two ceremonies can be months apart. In order for Mama Eydie to attend both they are making them one weekend apart. The **Introduction** is just as big and significant as the **Wedding**.

They are continuing to work on the **budget for the wedding & introduction**. Because of the inflation issues with their economy, they are trying to keep the budget manageable. Food and fuel costs continue to rise in price monthly. As Hillary's family, we will be responsible for much of the introduction costs and part of the wedding. We will also be collecting funds to present the couple with a wedding gift from the family.

We recently resettled Hillary into his own place after graduating from seminary. Florence used to be with us until she left a couple of years ago. They have reconnected and are looking forward to becoming husband and wife! More details will follow soon!



## SECOND TERM SCHOOL FEES

**Our students have completed the first term of the 2023 school year.** Godfrey said the government **changed the curriculum** of the students to gear them towards **focusing on careers**. They will now have **industrial training and internships** during their lower secondary school. Jemimah and Daniel are under this new curriculum. **All our students will start the second term the week of May 29th.** Prayers are needed this week because the **schools are requiring a 60% deposit before they can begin.**

We are thankful to God because of the relationship Godfrey has with the schools. This term he is **finding it more difficult to negotiate with the schools to allow them to start without the 60% deposit.** We want to send as much of the deposit as we can this week in order to maintain the continued cooperation with our schools and institutions.

School fees are higher now because of the current inflation in the country. Godfrey said he is thankful because **five more of our students will be finished with their certificates this year** which will help bring down our school fee structure.. **What a great achievement for our students and our ministry!** **Difasi & Maria** are in their last year of Hotel & Tourism. **Sophia** is in her last year of Fashion and Design. **Joel** is completing his Electrical Installation courses. **Henry** will complete his Business Degree in January 2024. Wow! We are so incredibly proud of all our students.

**All of this is possible because of the support and love you give on a regular basis.** It is a valuable gift to make sure our students have an opportunity for an education. **You ARE making a difference. Thank you for caring about their educational needs to give them hope for their futures.** God bless you.

Note: Godfrey has been working with Sharon regarding her late results. Her school fees are not included as she will begin school in August and is not yet enrolled. We will update you when we know what her fees will be.

## 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 [www.rainingshope.org](http://www.rainingshope.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.



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



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

If you have any questions about ways to give, please contact Carol John - [carol@rainingshope.org](mailto:carol@rainingshope.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.

## SECOND TERM SCHOOL FEES, SUPPLIES & BOARDING

### Senior Secondary School

Zuluta	Senior 6
Joanne	Senior 5
Tamarah	Senior 5
Dan	Senior 3
Jemimah	Senior 2

### Dreams & Goals

Accountant
Nurse
Accountant
Business
Accountant

**Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Senior Secondary School: \$1346 or \$269 each**

### Primary School

Jael	Primary 7
Jireh	Primary 5
Hope	Primary 2
Trust	Primary 1

Doctor
Drama
Pilot

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

### Post Secondary School/Trade School

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

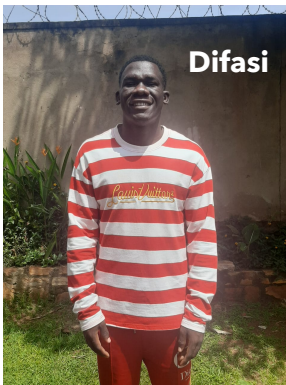
**Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Post Secondary School/Trade School \$2,496**

**GRAND TOTAL FOR STUDENT SCHOOL FEES, & BOARDING DUE NOW \$4894**

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 begin school May 29, 2023**



Difasi



Maria



Sophia



Joel



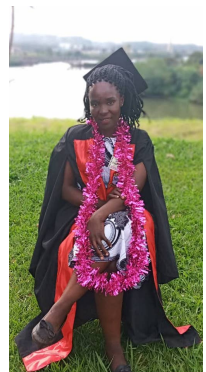
## SEND OFF CELEBRATION

On **July 29, 2023**, we are planning a formal **"Send Off Celebration"** for our five students who graduated and were resettled into their own places. We are required to have a formal ceremony as an organization. We joyfully will celebrate **Joan, Jesca, Hillary, Sylvia and Vivian!**

The day will include parents or relatives of each of our students. We invite local and city leaders to come grace the occasion. Raining Hope will provide a feast for all who attend. We will present each of the five with a graduation gift.



**Joan**



**Jesca**

The program will include speeches from each student, two representatives from each family, two local leaders, and comments from Godfrey and Mama Eydie Kisakye. Godfrey will also have a time to preach a special message. Mama Eydie will give the official send-off word of encouragement.

**Please pray for the necessary funds for the event:** Food, Graduation Gifts, Transport for parents/guardians, Decorations, Local Photographer.



**Sylvia**



**Hillary**



**Vivian**

## ANSWER TO PRAYER!

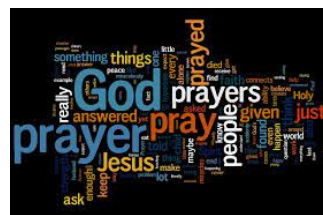
Generous donations have been made that have helped provide funds for:

**New Tires for Godfrey's car: \$713**

**Balance of last month's increased medical bill: \$517**

**Budget increase of 30% last month: \$600**

Thank you to those who have **gone over and above** to help meet these critical needs.



## CONTINUED PRAYERS

1. **REPAIRING THE WALL:** Our property still needs to have **repairs to the back wall of the complex**. The wall is crumbling due to the recent heavy rains. Other properties have had their walls collapse, injuring people. We have to **repair the part of the wall** that is damaged before it completely caves in. Not only will it **leave our compound vulnerable** as an access to thieves, it could fall on individuals causing injury.

**Continue to pray for the necessary funds** to repair the wall which includes the materials (stones, iron bars, cement, sand etc.), transport and labor. **Currently the cost is \$1,681**. If we wait too long, more of the wall may be affected and the cost will increase.

**Please pray with us for safety as we wait on the necessary funds to come in.**

2. **MAMA EYDIE'S TRAVEL:** Please be in prayer for the funds necessary for **Mama Eydie to travel to Uganda** for the **Send Off Celebration, Introduction & Wedding for Hillary & Florence**. Cost of airfare & hotel will be approximately **\$2,300**. The plan is for her to leave July 25, 2023 and return August 15, 2023.