

# RAINING HOPE

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

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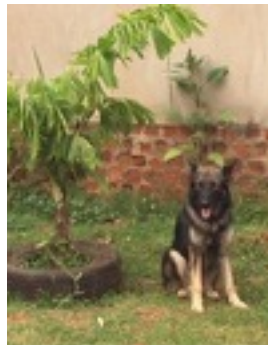
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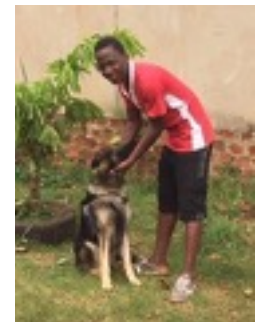
## In Memory of Scooby our Guard Dog



Godfrey contacted me this week to let me know that on February 22, 2018, one of our guard dogs, Scooby was found dead in his dog house. They suspect that Scooby was poisoned by would be thieves from possibly throwing some poisoned food over the fence. This is what Godfrey reported: “Thieves have been in the area these weeks. The

neighbors called me last week and alerted me that thieves were back so I should take note. They had attacked the neighbor and stole all the chickens they were rearing. The other neighbor who sold us tents also told me they stole her tents. I think because of the razor wire on the wall, the dogs and security lights around the compound they couldn’t get to us though it is God who ultimately protects us. I think they must have planned to do away with the dogs. Keep us in your prayers so the Lord will continue to keep us well.”

I spoke with Godfrey to find out what additional security measures we should take to keep them safe. A guard is not the answer because they can easily be bribed and we don’t want a stranger around the kids. The solution is to replace Scooby with another male dog. Our remaining guard dog, Pax is a girl. They do hope they can have puppies so we can have additional guard dogs in the future.



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## Security Concerns (continued from page 1)

The secondary security measure would be to raise our perimeter wall. The surrounding neighbors are working on the two sides that border our property. Raising the current wall at least four rows of bricks will help deter thieves from looking over the wall into our compound. Godfrey also explained that even if thieves made it into the compound, they tend to stay away from high walls because they won't be able to get back out. The estimate includes:

**Bricks: \$253 / Lake sand: \$50 / Plaster sand: \$90 / Cement: \$211 / Labor: \$169 / TOTAL: \$773**

**New guard dog: \$125**

We trust the Lord to use that to keep us and our properties secure. We thank God that since we had the dogs and the razor wire on the top of the perimeter wall, we have not had any break-ins. God has used what He provided for securing His cause here at Raining Hope. (Godfrey)



Above Left: Sylvia & Trust  
Above Right: Irene & Hope  
Perimeter Wall in background that needs to be raised



## New Showers for the Girls!

Two days before I left for the SF Bay Area, Godfrey informed me they had an emergency with the girl's bathroom. The bath tub in the girl's bathroom had to be removed. It was leaking & the pipes were blocked due to its age which caused a bad smell. This bathroom is the main one the girls all share. Therefore, the decision was made to take out the one tub and remodel the bathroom to include three showers. This would better serve the girls and be a more efficient & sanitary bathroom. To accomplish this remodel it only cost about \$290! The girls are absolutely THRILLED with their newly remodeled bathroom! We want to thank the person who made a special donation in order to make this possible so quickly.



FEB/MARCH 2018

## Update on Eydie's Mom's Hospitalization:

Dear Friends,

A couple of weeks ago I sent an email that explained my mom entered the hospital in the San Francisco Bay Area on Saturday, January 27, 2018. When I posted that, she was very, very ill. My sisters and I all came that day to be with her and my dad. To fast forward, it has been over a month since her being admitted to emergency. We have gone from ICU to Step Down ICU to Med/Surge. All that means is with each improvement she is moved to another level of care. One of the doctors said to me, "miraculous things are happening!"

My sisters were here but had to return to work. Melanie is from Carson City, Nevada. Cheryl is in Sacramento. They try to return when they have days off. While here we have discovered that my dad had his own set of health issues that were uncovered in the midst of this health crisis. We have known he has memory loss & is hard of hearing. But other issues have risen to the top so we are trying to work with him as well. My mom is 82 and dad is 85.

I have stayed at my parents home since January 27th with my dad. The good news since I last updated you is my mom did not have to go to a Long Term Acute Care facility which would have been in San Francisco. Instead they determined that she could go to an Acute Care facility which is right next to the hospital in Burlingame. I have been coming to the hospital and the acute care facility from around 8:30 am to 7:00 pm each day. This has been necessary to be here to talk with doctors and nurses that come in and out all day to talk about mom's condition and what steps to take next. It stays busy everyday from morning until I leave. When she first was admitted, we must have seen over ten doctors every day, each in their speciality area.

My mom has requested no visitors for now. For now the best way to reach me is by email or text. I can't talk much during the day while here at the hospital. When I leave here at night I am going back home to be with my dad.

For those of you who have been tracking on Facebook or are here in the Bay Area, I thank you for your encouraging words, cards, delivery of food, text messages and especially your prayers. I am still not sure when I will go home. I do have a trip planned on March 21 for 10 days back East. By then we should know more about my mom's condition as we start establishing what will be required for travel here for both my mom and dad. We are just taking it one day at a time.

Needless to say, my schedule was flexible and I have been able to do Raining Hope work from here. I have been able to keep in touch with Godfrey on almost a daily basis. Heather is taking care of things at the Ventura office for me. She is picking up checks and depositing them. Carol is taking care of wiring and the books like normal from Maryland. I have been behind on my work requiring computer time. I apologize this newsletter has to cover two months.

**For now the main prayer request for Raining Hope with my sudden change in my work is for the monthly budget needs and the rest of the school fees for the first term.**

We raised close to \$2,000 from the tamale fundraiser in December of the needed \$4391. They are all in school and thrilled to start a new year!! Please be in prayer for the balance of school fees.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Carol John or Heather Elkins. My time to correspond is limited right now. As it changes I will keep you informed. This has been a sudden change for our family but filled with testimony after testimony of God's grace and mercy. I would just appreciate your prayers for our family as we move forward in our new normal for our lives. Thank you for being there for us.

Love you all, Mum Kisakye

P.S. If you are in need of sending any mail, please still send it to the Raining Hope offices. Heather is depositing checks. She forwards any other mail to me while I am here. If you want to send anything directly to me you can send it to:

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**First Term School Fees & Supplies 2018**

**GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL 24 STUDENT SCHOOL FEES: \$4391**

The Tamale Fundraiser raised close to \$2,000! **Continue to pray for the balance of \$2391 which is currently due. Here is the breakdown per student:**

The fees below are for the first term. We have three terms for the year. For Primary & Secondary school, the first term is always highest (new uniforms, new year supplies). There is a drop in fees the second and third terms. We had two promote to Secondary School and Two promote to Post-Secondary Education.

**Secondary School**

Esther	Senior 6
Henry	Senior 6
Florence	Senior 5
Joel	Senior 5
Doreen	Senior 5
Ronald	Senior 3
Sharon	Senior 3
Zuluta	Senior 2
Maria	Senior 2
Sophia	Senior 2
Difasi	Senior 2
Joanne	Senior 1
Tamarah	Senior 1

**Dreams and Goals**

Doctor
Engineer
Lawyer
Musician
Midwife
Lawyer
Singer
Accountant
Accountant
Fashion & Design
Soldier
Nurse
Accountant



**Total School fees and supplies for 13 students : \$1856**  
(Average first term **\$143 per student** or **\$48 a month**)

**Primary School**

Waiswa	Primary 5
Dan	Primary 5
Jemimah	Primary 6
Jael	Primary 3
Jireh	Primary 1

**Dreams and goals**

Soccer Player
Doctor
Fashion Designer
Doctor
Engineer

**Total School fees & supplies for Primary Students : \$528**  
(Average first term **\$106 per student** or **\$35 a month**)

**Post Secondary School/Trade School**

Jessica	Nursing	Nurse	\$558 + \$33 Misc. supplies
Jonathan	Nursing	Doctor	\$558 + \$33 Misc. supplies
Sylvia	Radio & TV Production	Journalist	\$353
Frank	Computer	Politician	\$111
Vivian	Computer	Accountant or Lawyer	\$111
Hillary	Uganda Baptist Seminary	Pastoral Ministry	\$250

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

It is exciting to see the list of students who have moved onto post-secondary education! You will also see the difference in the school fees from primary to specialized education per student.

If you are interested in **providing scholarships** for those entering into specialized fields, or in helping with the first term school fees, please contact Mama Kisakye or Carol John directly.