

RAINING HOPE

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

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We want to send a special Mother's Day greeting to all the women in our Raining Hope family. We pray that this was a special day of celebrating with your family & loved ones. I had a precious day celebrating with Kiana & Heather! I was sent a special Mother's Day greeting from the children of Raining Hope. We rejoice with those who celebrated their first Mother's Day as new moms. We join those who remembered loved ones who are no longer with us.

Last year, Saticoy Church, took up a special offering for Mother's Day in honor of Lona Gildea who passed away on February 11, 2016. Lona was instrumental in leading the way to purchase our first cow, Leche to help towards our goals of self-sustainability.

This year, we want to not only remember Lona, but the many faithful mothers and women who support our ministry with your prayers and support for the children of Raining Hope. We pray God's blessings and peace as you celebrate the ones you love. Thank you. Mama Eydie Kisakye

Mission Week Update

Raining Hope Ministries planned a Mission's Week from May 15-21, 2017. The purpose of this mission was to reach the unsaved in our community. We originally wanted to have an event across the bridge at the Nile grounds but we had to change strategy due to those who let us down with the stage we were to rent. Because our intent was to reach the lost, we still chose to go door-to-door for a two-on-one mission's strategy. This strategy simply was two people meet one person and preach the gospel to them, pray with them and invite them for a Love Sunday which is May 21, 2017. We had our children of Raining Hope joined by other members of the church take the lead in this mission of God.

Mission Strategy:

May 8-14, 2017: We had one week of prayer and preparation which ended well and empowered our children. God is using our children for His glory.

May 15-17, 2017: Reaching the community around us preaching the gospel. In these three days we had 77 encounters, 38 people gave their lives to Christ and 15 renewed their relationship with Christ! All were invited to join us for Love Sunday. I was glad in the spirit to see even the most fearful reach out to the lost. To me that was a breakthrough. Nothing was as interesting to me as to watch our children speak to people about the love of Christ and share their testimonies.

May 18-19, 2017: Follow up for those who gave their lives to Jesus. We were able to follow up with 20 people. Eleven of those came to our Bible study on Friday night. Many others promised to attend Love Sunday.

May 20, 2017: We committed this Saturday to pray for those who gave their lives to Christ and for those who we found with problems during the outreach. We also prayed in preparation for Love Sunday.

LOVE SUNDAY - May 21, 2017:

Every last Sunday of the month we dedicate to a **Love Sunday. This Sunday, May 21st, is designed for seekers.** We have food and/or tea depending on what we can raise. The service is organized in such a way that it is mission oriented. The choir, program leader, children's Sunday School, and praise and worship are designed to evangelize during the service. We chose songs with the intention of reaching out to those who come during the service. We prepare church members to show love to those who come. The Raining Hope choir will sing. Hillary will lead the program as usual. Vivian will lead the ushering & welcoming of people. Irene will teach the children in Sunday School. Older Joan and Sylvia will lead the music as other church members are also involved. **Through such a service we expect:**

1. To minister to the seekers and see many turn to the Lord.
2. Show the love of Christ to the hurting world.
3. Unite as a family as we break bread together.
4. Pray for the sick, hurting and discouraged in life.
5. Bring back hope to the people through the ministry of the Word.

Pray for this Sunday that God would be glorified.

Godfrey



Congratulations

Congratulations to our older Joan who graduated from Cosmetology school! We are so proud of her! She pursued cosmetology so she could have a life skill and begin earning a living. Joan has continued to grow in her walk with Christ and is a great support in our office and a leader in church. She does a lot to support Godfrey.

Her next steps will be to take extra courses in social work and social administration. The desire is to train her as a social worker to support the Raining Hope Ministry. She will remain in the home as we move to empower her as a support staff!

We congratulate Joan on this great accomplishment. She is our second post secondary school graduate!

Newest Post Secondary School Student

Because Hillary's results came in late for the first term, we did not include him in the first budget. But as he waits for the next intake of teaching school, he will do a computer class this term! We are so proud of Hillary!

Going DEEP NOT WIDE

On April 18, 2017, I attended a lunch meeting of the Duarte Kiwanis Club to accept a donation & share a few words about our work in Uganda. Pastor Doug Spriggs & Stafford Barker of Grace Fellowship were instrumental in speaking to this club about what God is doing at Raining Hope. Pastor Doug introduced me to the group in attendance. Something that he said confirmed the heart of who we are as Raining Hope:

"One of the things I love about Raining Hope is their approach to building lifelong followers of Jesus. Rather than trying to make a small difference in many lives, Raining Hope is making a huge difference in a few lives. They are serving a select group of people in a very profound way, that will lead to generational transformation for countless others. **To put it simply, Raining Hope is going deep, not wide.**

This is the discipleship strategy of Jesus. Just as He invested deeply in the lives of a few key disciples, so Raining Hope is investing deeply in the lives of one large family of kids. These kids are being raised to be world-changers and they are already making a difference in the lives of others. **This "deep - not wide" strategy will be used by God to change Jinja, Uganda, and ultimately the world."** Pastor Doug Spriggs

As I talked more with Pastor Doug about this he said that this strategy can become a movement going in the right direction. I am convinced that God has been preparing us all along for such a time as this. As our Raining Hope children continue to be transformed into the image of Christ, they will learn to walk with integrity. All these years we have taught the children to stand on the Word of God alone unwilling to compromise truth. We want our children to live with the highest of integrity as we represent Jesus Christ. This is the core of who we are as Raining Hope. Here is where a new movement begins. Good news is...it has already started.

The fruit of this new movement is apparent. When I share this vision with God he commented, "Yes, that is what we are doing. We are living with integrity. Others are watching and they are following. Our children are a beacon and a light in the world. They are salt in the world. They are humble. They are joyful. They sing His praises. Jesus is alive at Raining Hope."

We are going DEEP not WIDE in a Movement going in the RIGHT direction living with highest integrity! Will you join us?!

Mama Eydie Kisakye

Second Term School Fees & Supplies 2017

The second term will open on May 29, 2017. For the first time, most schools have increased their fees because of the current economic situation. The national media newspapers headlines reported an increase of sugar to 75%. Rice, posho & beans are high which is part of this budget as school feeds a meal to our children. We still need your prayers for our country that God would intervene as the cost of living is so high.

Secondary School

Frank	Senior 6	Politician
Vivian	Senior 6	Accountant
Esther	Senior 5	Doctor
Henry	Senior 5	Engineer
Florence	Senior 5	Lawyer
Tabitha	Senior 5	Journalist
Joel	Senior 4	Musician or Engineer
Doreen	Senior 4	Midwife
Ronald	Senior 2	Pilot
Sharon	Senior 2	Musician
Zuluta	Senior 1	Accountant
Maria	Senior 1	Accountant
Sophia	Senior 1	Fashion & Design
Difasi	Senior 1	Business Man

Dreams and Goals

Total School fees and supplies for 14 students : \$1586
 (Average first term \$113 per student or \$38 a month)

Primary School

Joanne	Primary 7	Nurse
Tamarah	Primary 7	Accountant
Waiswa	Primary 6	Soccer Player
Dan	Primary 5	Army
Jemimah	Primary 5	Pastor
Jael	Primary 2	Pilot
Jireh	Top Class (Nursery School)	

Dreams and goals

Total School fees & supplies for Primary & Nursery Students : \$630
 (Average first term \$90 per student or \$30 a month)

Post Secondary School/Trade School

Hillary	Computer Training	\$112
Jessica	Nursing	Doctor - \$600
Jonathan	Nursing	Doctor - \$600
Sylvia	Radio & TV Production	Journalist \$357

GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL 25 STUDENT SCHOOL FEES: \$3885