

"AND HE WILL SEND SHOWERS OF RAIN SO EVERY FIELD BECOMES A LUSH PASTURE." ZECHARIAH 10:1

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## **CELEBRATING OUR MINISTRY**

I watched the birth of the church ministry of Raining Hope 10 years ago. I remember the conversation I had with Pastor Godfrey as if it were yesterday. We were having issues with the transport to get to the church our family was attending. One Sunday, Godfrey said they had to stay home because they didn't have the transport. The family decided to just worship at the house. The sweet sound of our family raising their voices to the

Lord filled the air. Soon the sounds of worship went over the walls into the community. Others began to come into the gate wondering if this was a church. This was the beginning.

I remember vividly Godfrey telling me what people were saying when they walked through our gates. There was testimony after testimony that what set us apart was they could sense the presence of the Lord as soon as they entered. They said the Word of God was proclaimed in ways they have not experienced before.

Author, Henry Blackaby has said, "Watch where God is working and join Him". The church portion of our ministry was started by God. We saw Him working and we joined Him in His important work.

I have watched the Raining Hope family reach out into the Ambercort community and beyond to CONNECT people to God. Through this important ministry of Raining Hope, people have come to know the Lord as their personal Savior. The testimonies of lives that have been transformed by the Holy Spirit have made a powerful impact here in the United States. Not even the pandemic in 2020 could stop the work that God is doing through Raining Hope. When we were told we couldn't meet as a congregation in person, we got creative and His Word went out through the radio! Pastor Godfrey still preaches weekly through our Radio Ministry!

The Word has been powerfully and humbly proclaimed by Godfrey. He has been chosen by God to lead the congregation of our Raining Hope church body. He is a man after God's own heart who humbly serves to bring glory to God alone. I am forever grateful for Pastor Godfrey. God has anointed our partnership and continues to guide us. My deepest respect, appreciation and gratefulness goes to Godfrey whom I dearly love. "Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken". Ecclesiastes 4:12

**WELL DONE FOR 10 YEARS OF GODLY SERVICE**. We look forward to seeing God continue to work in and through Raining Hope as they worship and lead in our church ministry.

**THIS IS PART OF OUR STORY as the RAINING HOPE FAMILY.** Congratulations on a job well done. We are excited to see them GO and continue to make disciples of all nations! Amen and amen!

Mama Eydie Kisakye (Godfrey's testimony on page 2)

#### **JUNE 2025**

### RAINING HOPE MINISTRIES



"The anniversary event went on well and we thank the Lord for all the years that He has carried us through.

The theme of the anniversary was, "Love Never Fails". Our normal services on Sunday start at 9:30 am and goes to 12:30 pm-1:00 pm. On the anniversary day, the program went on until 6:00 pm because of some delays. By the time we closed up it was coming to 8:00 pm.

The topic of the celebration was, "Christ's Love Compels Us to Serve". The text was 2 Corinthians 5:14-15.

When we look ten years back, we know that through all the ups and downs, it's Christ's love that compels us to keep going. His love never fails. The same love was poured into our heats so we can love one another. I encouraged the church to know that with the same love that Christ has loved us, we should love one another and serve the broken world with the same love.

We had one person give his life to Christ and around eleven others who made other decisions to return on the 25th to the church. We had about 200 people who came in to be part of what God was doing. After the service, we served food. The church contributed money and other well-wishers gave so we can have meals together. After lunch, we continued with the celebrations where the choir led in praise and worship and special songs. There was great joy and everyone was praising God.

We then went into official thanksgiving speeches and prayer from a community leader, a church elder and I then read your speech to the congregants. (Godfrey requested I send a greeting and note of congratulations. Part of my speech is what is on page 1). I finished that time with a speech and prayer.

The guest speaker is the chairperson of Jinja Christian Leaders Fellowship. He gave his speech thanking God for the church and Raining Hope being a part of the pastor's fellowship in Jinja. He talked about the role Raining Hope Ministries has played in Jinja as a whole.

We gave simple gifts to the leaders who have served faithfully for the past ten years. This included all the choir members and their leader, Sylvia (organizing the church), Joan (young adult leader), Henry (youth leader), Hilary (deacon), Godfrey S, (deacon) and Irene, my wife. The guest speaker and another invited guest, Pastor David & his wife, Shalom handed over the gifts.

After, we cut the cake in celebration and unity and had it spread amongst the congregants. We had a moment of prayer and thanksgiving to God for the ten years. I led the prayers and thereafter we ended the anniversary with songs of praise to our God.

Thank you all for your support and your prayers for the work God is doing through Raining Hope Ministries!

To God Be the Glory!

Godfrey















# 15TH ANNIVERSARY GREETING FROM DAN

I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. My name is Daniel and I am 19 years old.



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we didn't know Christ so well and we were struggling in terms of finances, basic needs and also health wise. But, when I joined Raining Hope, my story changed. It means a lot to me to be able to join the Raining Hope family. I remember the memory verse Mama Kisakye gave us in Jeremiah 29:11. This tells us that God has a plan for us, to prosper us and to give us a brighter future. I was so encouraged by this verse in a way that when I feel hopeless sometimes I refer to this verse to encourage me.

Before I joined Raining Hope, my life with my family was not good because

I want to thank you for your support towards the Raining Hope family. Surely, you have been with us through tough times and happy times. You have been able to support us through paying our fees and much more. Your efforts are surely appreciated and I hope God blesses you abundantly for your hard work and sacrifices.

I wish you a HAPPY 15TH ANNIVERSARY as we thank God for how far He has brought us. I am the pianist in church and I love serving God and worshiping Him through this instrument. It has really been a blessing to many people and to me personally. I have received testimonies from people that they are really blessed through this ministry to God.

I love you and I'm praying for you.

Love,

Daniel



Baptis

Baptism at Lake Victoria

Birthday: May 5, 2005

Hobbies: Soccer and playing video games.

**Favorite Bible Verse:** James 1:5 - "But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him". This verse teaches me to ask for wisdom from God whenever I am stuck in a situation.



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#### **JUNE 2025**

## SECOND TERM SCHOOL FEES, SUPPLIES & BOARDING

Senior Secondary School Dreams & Goals

DanSenior 5BusinessJemimahSenior 4AccountantJaelSenior 2Doctor

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Senior Secondary School: \$1570 or \$523 each

**Primary School** 

JirehPrimary 7DramaHopePrimary 4Pilot

Trust Primary 3

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Primary: \$1,026 or \$342 each

**Post Secondary School/Trade School** 

ZulutaMakare University/Business AdminAccountant\$ 914MariaYMCACatering\$ 521

Sub-total for School fees & Supplies for Post Secondary School/Trade School \$1,435

GRAND TOTAL FOR STUDENT SCHOOL FEES, & BOARDING DUE NOW \$4,031

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 beginning soon

#### THANK YOU TO ALL SPONSORS AND FRIENDS

In a special way, we thank you so much for allowing God to use you to educate our children. When we think of how far the Lord has brought us, we can confidently say the Lord is good. The Lord has used all of you to help them attain the education they have. (Godfrey)

They were supposed to start May 26, 2025. Godfrey miscalculated the start date. We need to send what we can so they can start school and not start behind in their studies.

#### **UPDATE ON PROMOTIONS**

**Tamarah and Joanne are not included in the fees budget.** This is because the universities have not yet released lists of admission. We may know their admission status towards the end of May. That is when we will know how much their tuition will cost.



- 1. **SCHOOL FEES** The second term school fees of \$4,031 is currently due in order for the students to start the second term.
- 2. BUDGET We are thankful for our sponsors who sacrificially support Raining Hope each month. Thank you for reading the newsletter monthly to pray for our projects and our regular needs. We still need your prayers as our monthly budget remains low. The budget needs in Uganda average close to \$2,400 a month. Godfrey has bought some things on credit which balances still need to be cleared. Our biggest need right now is to raise funds to cover monthly budget needs, pay the bills for the things bought on credit and get back on track. Godfrey is in agreement with this. We want to be cleared of all bills before we start on new projects. We appreciate your prayers for these provisions.
- 3. CAR REPAIR: Continue praying for Godfrey's car that needed a new transmission. The repair cost was \$958. We sent \$366. The balance is now \$592
- 4. **NEW PRINTER:** Please be in prayer as we are in need of a new printer. Godfrey has looked at various printers and there is one that will cost **\$178**. The current printer has run its course. Godfrey needs the printer for Raining Hope office paperwork.

#### HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO BAINING HOPE

**CHECKS:** Please mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go to. For **school fees** you would mark your check **"SCHOOL FEES".** If you want to make a donation to a specific **project,** you can let Eydie or Carol know about the designation. If multiple donations come in for a specific area of need, excess funds will be placed in the **regular 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 <a href="www.raininghope.org">www.raininghope.org</a> 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.

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

**ZELLE:** Transfer funds using Zelle **from your online banking account** 

Select: Add recipient

Phone Number: 805-377-7387 First Name: Carol / Last Name: John

Select: Raining Hope, Inc.

Select: Yes, you're sure it is not a scam

Enter the dollar amount





If you have any questions about ways to give, please contact Carol John - <a href="mailto:carol@raininghope.org">carol@raininghope.org</a>.

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There is an option for the donor to pay all or some of the credit card fees.