

# RAINING HOPE

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

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To the Raining Hope Sponsors and Supporters:

I greet you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank you for all the great work that you do and your kindness to Raining Hope Ministries.

We thank God for all your support, sponsorship and prayers to the Raining Hope family over the years and the year 2022. So much has happened in our world the last couple of years and yet you have not drifted from your kindness to support us in every way. I therefore, take this privilege to thank you for the love and support towards the lives here in Uganda and those you care for. We pray that God will comfort those who have lost their loved ones in 2022. May He heal the sick and brokenhearted. May we embrace the New Year of 2023.

Otherwise, I would like to welcome you to the year 2023. Happy New Year! We thank God for giving us this year so that we can serve Him better. On January 1, 2023, I was sharing at church about numbering our days so that we can gain a heart of wisdom. A heart of wisdom will teach us to be joyful always in the Lord knowing our days are few. The heart of wisdom will teach us to sing praises to God and to seek His help in all we do so that we shall succeed in all our work (Psalm 90:12-17). I pray that God will fill us with gladness instead of despair and give us all success in all we do so that we may be filled with life. Even as we start this year, may God fill your hearts with joy amidst all circumstance. I pray that His love will cover you to full and that His kindness will warm you like a blanket in this New Year.

As a family, we are praying for you and always giving God thanks for you and praising His name for your kindness and love.

We wish you all a blessed 2023, a year that we chose to be glad in the Lord.

With love,  
Godfrey  
Raining Hope Ministries Uganda



## CHRISTMAS UPDATE



### FAMILY CHRISTMAS GIFT & CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S MEAL

For the past seven years, we have purchased one main Christmas gift for the whole family. As a family, Godfrey said this year the gift that would mean the most would be **much needed mattresses for each family member.**

**Praise the Lord! We received the needed \$978** (\$51 per family member) for mattresses and transporting them to the house. **Annual Christmas/New Year's Meal & Party for the family: We received the needed \$137 for the family to have their Christmas & New Year's feast! THANK YOU!**

### HELPING FAMILIES THIS CHRISTMAS



**RAINING HOPE RECEIVED THE NECESSARY FUNDS TO BLESS 20 families with food this Christmas!** This was for the families of our children and a few in our community. Many families have struggled during the pandemic. We were able to provide **food baskets** of rice, beef, cooking oil, sugar, bread, soap, salt & fuel. We also provided enough to carry them through the New Year.

**Received: \$832 or \$42 per family!**



### CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR GODFREY

**Godfrey has done so much for the Raining Hope family.** He continues to serve as an excellent manager of the ministry, a role model as a father to the whole Raining Hope family as well as to his own children, an excellent husband to Irene and a pastor who lovingly leads. Godfrey sacrifices to make sure the needs of the family are first met. The last three years we have been dealing with a **budget that increases every month** due to COVID lockdowns and food prices doubling. **We wanted to show our appreciation for Godfrey's servant heart. PRAISE THE LORD! We received the necessary funds** to bless Godfrey with a **new computer** to replace his current one that was constantly needing repair.



## IN-DEPTH PRAISE UPDATE

We organized an **In-Depth Praise session** as our end of year event to rejoice and give God praise for all His wonderful acts. On that day, we had a congregation of **280 adults and 80 children**. Different choirs embraced the occasion and ministered through music. Our Raining Hope choir was in charge of the music and did a great work in leading the congregation into praise for about an hour. By the grace of God, we had healing testimonies from those who attended.

There are two ladies that had visited a member of the congregation so they decided to join her for the In-Depth Praise session. These ladies had physical heart issues. After the In-Depth Praise, they no longer felt the pain they are used to. Through the week they went to their doctors. They reported back to us that they were healed during the In-Depth Praise as they were singing and dancing to God.

There is also a young girl called Vivian that prays with us. She came to the In-Depth Praise with a sick leg but after the praise, she doesn't remember how the pain left as she was praising God.

We had time to pray for those who needed peace and healing and those who wanted to dedicate their lives to God. Thank you for your prayers and support. We give God all the praise for the wonderful works that he has shown unto us. (Godfrey)

## THANK YOU FOR CHRISTMAS FOOD FOR FAMILIES



Greetings to you our dear sponsors, friends and partners. Thank you for all that you have done for us over the years and your continued support of Raining Hope Ministries here in Uganda. Thank you for being part of dreams coming true here in Uganda. May God richly bless you.

We are also thankful for the **support and love towards the needy families and families of our children during Christmas**. The gifts given to families as **food baskets for Christmas** made a **great impact** on the lives of the beneficiaries. Those we have helped with Christmas food baskets have continued to love God and trust Him for caring about them. On Christmas, families here are always together celebrating with a feast and those that are poor end up miserable and feel lonely. **Giving them Christmas food basket is hope restored.**

We have seen smiling faces and great joy after we deliver the food baskets. Above all, those families feel loved and cared for most especially at such a time where we all celebrate the Savior's birth. Therefore, I thank you so much for all your support and love.

May God rightly bless you. Godfrey.





**Henry**



**Our students are excited to start a new school year!** The school fees are the highest the first term. The first term includes uniforms, supplies and boarding. Page 5 has a full list of our students and the **grand total of fees that are due now.** I just received the fee structure from Godfrey because he has to wait for the results of the candidates from last year.

**Schools are opening February 6, 2023.** Some will begin earlier on **January 30, 2023.** Most schools allow students to start school once they **deposit up to 70% of the fees.** We are thankful to God because of the relationship Godfrey has with the schools. Our students are allowed to start even without the 70% deposit. But we want to send the full amount as soon as possible to maintain the continued cooperation with our schools and institutions.

**Four more of our students will finish their certificates this year** which is a great achievement for us and the 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 the 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 by making the way for their future.** God bless you.

**Note:** Godfrey is still waiting on the candidate results for Sharon. Her school fees will be included once we receive her results.



**Difasi**



**Maria**



**Sophia**



**Joel**

## FIRST 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:**

**\$1334 or \$267 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
Maria	Hotel & Tourism
Sophia	Fashion Design
Joel	Electrical Installation
Henry	Business Computing

Tour Guide	<b>\$ 455</b>
Chef	<b>\$ 417</b>
Fashion Design	<b>\$ 369</b>
Electrician	<b>\$ 389</b>
IT Technician	<b>\$ 888</b>

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

**\$2,518**

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

**\$4904**

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 between January 30-February 6, 2023.**

### HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO RAINING HOPE

**CHECKS:** Mark your check with the area you would like the funds to go towards such as **SCHOOL FEES etc.** or **BUDGET** and send to our stateside office or Carol John. 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.

**CREDIT CARD:** You can also make credit card donations on our website - [www.rainingshope.org](http://www.rainingshope.org)

**TEXT TO GIVE:** You can send a text-to-give to Raining Hope by credit card by texting to 844-544-7171 and text

**RAININGHOPE.** Follow the prompts and you will receive a receipt! Text-to-Give has no additional charges.

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

**Checks/Mail** can be sent directly to Carol John or to our Raining Hope offices in Ventura

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