



MAMA HOME.
(A HOME WITH PASSION & A HEART INSIDE)
QUARTERLY REPORT
December 25th 2012-January 2013

Dear Partners, Sponsors and Well-Wishers of Mama Home!

I wish to thank you for your support during this quarter. With your support and effort, Mama Home has made it to where it is today. Read the following to be blessed by your efforts!

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Last year, and so far this year, 2013, a lot of things have happened, both good and bad at the same time.

ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Feeding:

The children have been able to have two meals a day; one full meal and one, a cup of porridge, thanks to the support of individual child sponsors with their monthly support. Thank you for feeding the children!



Porridge time



Food time

2. Global Giving Visit:

February 8, 2013, we were so blessed to be visited by the Global Giving staff at Mama Africa. Britt and Kathryn arrived early morning in our slum community. We took them around our current place in the slum community of Kosovo. You can look on our page and check on our report (Global Giving visits Mama Africa).

Pictured below is their visit to the orphanage. We achieved this organization's vetted approval so they graciously receive funds on our behalf, transfer them to us and then give tax deductible receipts to US and UK donors.



Kathryn, Winnie and Britt



Global Giving workshop in Kampala 2013.

3. School Fees:

You are all aware that there are many challenges in running an orphanage. One of our greatest challenges at the Mama Africa Orphanage is education. So far we have 63 kids under the *sponsor a child program* but only 16 children now have monthly sponsors. However, with God's help, this term we managed to raise \$1,900.00 that helped us put the other children in school for this term! Thank you very much to all our individual donors on the *sponsor a child program*. Your donations make this possible!

4. Scholastic Materials:

The money received through Global Giving was also used for scholastic materials such as pens, books and paper for this first school term in 2013.



School Dispatch

Also, thank you for donating and raising a voice on our behalf with this fundraiser! This awareness and generosity from many helped us all very much.

5. Kwera Voice Choir:

This year we thank God for your prayers, as we were able to record our second song on our music album. We believe that when this album is done, it will help to also support us, especially those who have no sponsors. As well, it will help lead to sustainability. Please keep us in your prayer as we dream to have the audio and video album done soon. We welcome any body interested in funding this choir.



Home Church Presentation: Kwera Voice Choir (KVC) was invited to perform at our home church. They were tipped 37,800 shillings. The medical need of the children was catered for by the donated money from the members in church.

6. The Fashion Centre:

This year our fashion centre has become more active after getting a donation of two sewing machines and tailoring materials. We have gotten a few tenders around and away from our community like churches and schools and we are hoping for the best. It is on our prayer list that God will provide a size 12 knitting machine as this will also help in our sustainability locally. This machine is expensive but worth the investment; it costs \$5,100 here in Uganda. We call upon any one who feels compelled to give a 'one-time' donation or a 'group' donation to help purchase this machine. Thanks goes to Mrs. Lynn Root, Mama Thea Smith and Miss Vonnie Walker for the materials they provided toward this project.



7. UCHUMI Supermarket Visit:

Esther, a Human Resource Manager at UCHUMI Supermarket at Freedom City Centre and a co-worker of hers, donated food, sanitary products and scholastic materials to the children at Mama Home. The kids are so excited and happy about their sanitary provisions, especially the teens! The young ones, at least, enjoyed a soda and food!



Esther



UCHUMIE and 7 KIDS



Food



Manager with kids

Thank you UCHUMI SUPERMARKET for helping to put a smile on the kid's faces.

8. Christmas Slum Banquet:

This was a special meal that was funded by special Facebook friends and we almost fed over 300 kids from the slum community on Christmas day. Not all families can afford to have a special meal on Christmas and the most affected are the children.



9. Resettlement:

The NGO Board here in Uganda has a policy that all non-profit organizations have to carry out research about the children they receive, and if they find out that there are relatives of any child, even distant relatives, there must be a resettlement of these kids to these relatives. So this time we had to resettle Jesie and Amor with their distant relatives. We informed their US sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Adam and Jamie Newton and they chose to still support these children where they are living right now, with their distant families. In circumstances like this, we follow-up and help with support of the children. We make sure they are being cared for and are well. These two are doing very well. However, if we find out that they are not being well-cared for, Mama Africa Organization backs up this point, and we ask that the children be returned to Mama Africa immediately.



Amor



Jesie

10. Mass 'Birthday and Congratulations' To Our Students:

On February 17, 2013, we had a surprise mass 'Birthday and Congratulations' party for those who completed their final exams (Emanuel, Madiina, Robert and Shifa) and were having birthdays. It was such a joyful time for Nuliat and Esther as they had never cut a cake. It was an amazing day of celebration!



Thank you, Mr. & Mrs. (Margaret) Adcock, and Dave & Sandi Bull, for your donation or gift for your 'child'! It made people smile; may God make you smile, too.

11. Missionary:

Pastor Monte and Thea Smith from North Syracuse, New York, are currently working at building a team for a 2013 summer mission trip to Uganda to help the orphanage home and school project that will help raise a roof for our children! We are praying for all who intend to join this short visit. Please contact Thea if you are interested in coming with them: montesthea@yahoo.com.

12. Caretakers:

This quarter we managed to raise funds to pay the caretakers at the orphanage who had been working with no pay for a long time. We thank you for your continued donation through Global Giving and the gifts in kind that made this possible. May God reward your generosity.

OBSTACLES FOR THIS QUARTER

1. Permanent Home:

We are currently having a land and housing problem:

"Our greatest desire is to build our children a place they can call 'home', where we can all live together under one roof. Right now, as you just saw, the majority of the children are living in three different places. Even though we are spread all around, we are grateful there is a place for them off of the streets. Our hopes and dreams center around a large property where we can build an orphanage... a place where we can all live together, play together. A place where our children would be safe, with a bed of their own, clothes of their own, a place at the table to eat healthy food, an on-site school, a medical clinic, a vocational training center and offices, etc. We dream of a place where we can raise all of the children together. There are so many more children who need a place to call home. We only have 65 kids and there are millions without a place to lay their heads. It has been said, 'It takes a village to raise a child.' A pastor said, 'No, it takes a church to raise a child.' Mama Africa says, 'It will take an orphanage to raise a child ... many children ...children who will be trained to love God and his neighbor, and taught that they are to take that love out of Mama Africa and change the nation of Uganda to the glory of God.'"

But we cannot do this on our own. We need help. We need you.

We decided to begin raising money for purchasing a piece of land to build an orphanage home and school. This project requires us to raise a minimum of \$10,000.

2. How can you help?

There are many ways you can help! We would be forever grateful for anything you could do to help 'Raise the Roof' over our heads. Besides donations through Global Giving (at this moment), you can

do a fundraiser in your community, church, school, or business. A fundraiser may include an auction or dinner or any other positive way you feel you can help.

Another way to help, is to raise awareness of our need by promoting the following fundraiser for us.

We are praying for 400 people who would give a 'simple' \$25.00 donation via Global Giving toward this 'Raise the Roof' project that would help purchase land to build a full-functioning orphanage for our children and those to come in the future.

If 400 people donate \$25.00 each, we will have the full \$10,000.00 to begin the process of purchasing a piece of land. The more donations, the sooner we can get moving forward on this huge project. If you think this is a valid request, would you please promote this in your churches, offices, Facebooks, emails and other avenues of communication? We can all raise the roof together!

Donations can be made at:

<http://www.globalgiving.org/projects/support-talent-education-skills-for-50-ugandan-orphans/>

Scroll down and click 'other' . Type your donation amount, then follow the directions. Thank you very much for helping to make our need known!

We ask you to kindly join us in providing a shelter over the heads of these vulnerable children. We know God will provide, and we know He will bless those who rescue orphans in distress.

Before I close, we wish to thank all our supporters for the food, medication, education, clothing, and any other support given during this quarter of the year. Above all, we thank you for your prayers, because we know none of this would be possible without God's intervention, nor could we do this without the generous, heart-felt gifts of God's compassionate people. Thank you again!

God bless each one of you and may you continue to stand with us in bringing back a smile on the faces of these children.