

Annual Report for

God's Love Home (GLH) Orphanage 2014



Dear Valued Supporter

The last report ended November 2013, this report is therefore for 13 months bringing the end of this report in line with GLH financial year.

Thank you again for your regular support in prayer and giving. In this time I have sent £3159, including Bethany Christmas 2014 collection, direct to James (I have posted receipt numbers and dates money sent). I have previously sent money via Western Union, but that was both expensive and involved James carrying large sums of money which was not safe: HSBC have now introduced a procedure where you can send any sum for £4 direct to his Bank account. You will remember the challenge James faced to join Global Giving (GG) to raise over £2000 from 50 people. In the event over £7000 was raised from 240 people (from churches, relatives and choirs) including last Christmas's Bethany Collection. GG has sent over £8000 in total. (Their website is misleading. They have sent James money in instalments, but each time they have transferred money back in the UK account it has been credited as a new donation; he has received the money sent but not that stated). <https://www.globalgiving.co.uk/projects/support-40-orphans-kampala/>

Your money has been transformational. Diet has been improved to include eggs, meat and fish and kwashiakor is a thing of the past. (You may well feel avoiding a vitamin deficiency disease is pretty basic but he was so short of funds that the diet was that meagre). School fees are paid up to date (rather than James having a mountain of debt hanging over him) and unexpected medical expenses have been paid. Some redecoration has also taken place. (How much we take for granted with free schooling and the NHS). James has continued to live simply in his one room where I stayed with him in March. He is trying for self sufficiency with the starting of God's Love School (GLS), which lessens his school fees bill and provides a small income from non- GLH pupils. The gift of a water storage tank has enabled water bills to be reduced. One farmer has loaned land for sugar cane to be sold for GLH and a congregation in Moshi has helped as has James's school, but he remains a long way short. Over the year there have been two tragic deaths; of an ex-orphan killed when thieves stole his motor-bike used as a taxi and the driver, who drove me last March, when his taxi was stolen.



Of course there are still pressing needs

- For regular support with money and prayer. It averages out at around £25 per orphan per month. There are already some supported: it would be great if there were more.
- For physical and medical security. Ebola is not a current problem in Uganda. Please pray that this remains so
- GLS needs to expand to take the next classroom (and next years..) by buying the house next door. They need a capital injection now.

But again THANK YOU. So much has been achieved. As James says "It has been a good year" and that must be the understatement of the year!

God bless you all

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