

From our girls:

Kasiisi Project Girls Program Peer Education & Dormitories

Our **Peer Education** program, now reaching 4500 girls in 14 schools, gives them the information about their bodies they need to keep healthy and the skills they need to avoid early sexual activity, sexually transmitted diseases and the unwanted pregnancies which end their education or put their lives at risk from illegal abortion.

We are now **building dormitories** at Kasiisi Primary School to ensure our girls are safe from sexual overtures on the long walks to school, are well fed, have the time to study and the electricity to do their home work by. The external structure of the dormitories is done. The 5 rooms, which will house 50 girls, still need final touches to make them habitable. Glazing the windows, finishing the floors, painting them bright colors, installing electric lighting to avoid the fire risk of oil lamps and equipping them with furniture will cost \$1500 a room.

Peer Ed taught me about the problems facing girls when they drop out of school and how it can destroy my future. It has taught me about the dangers of early pregnancies. I have learned to say no to early sex – Rose

Peer Ed has taught me not to accept gifts from strangers and about the dangers of playing sex when you are too young. It has shown be how to resist peer pressure. I want to stay away from boys until I have completed my studies. - Hellen

Peer Ed has taught me how share my problems with my teachers and I have learned to help my friends who are on periods and teach my young sisters at home about not getting STDs – Sauya

I want a dormitory because it protects us against the boys who offer us money on the way home. Being in a dormitory protects you from moving alone and in dark corners at night and you don't get defiled. - Grace

Please make a better education and a brighter future possible for our girls by giving generously to

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This is a gift that lasts, impacting our girls now and their children in the years ahead.

We join with our girls in Uganda in wishing you a Wonderful Holiday and a Happy and Healthy 2012! At home we are poor and we have no electricity and often there is no kerosene for studying by. - Margaret

I want a dormitory because I can study early, be kept safe, and be prepared for school in time. – Carolyne

I would like a dormitory because I would not lose time walking home. - Brenda