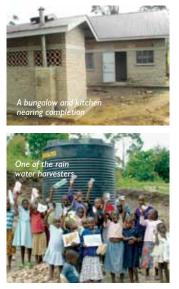
Bridging the Gap

BELIEVING IN THE IMPOSSIBLE

Dear friends, it is a privilege to update you on the work of Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry. In May 2011 a team of nine visited Uganda to witness the amazing construction progress on the two bungalows, the kitchens, pit latrine and the installation of the rain water harvesters.



We visited many of the children's homes in the community and also met each of the 67 children who are already benefiting from our *Child Sponsorship Programme*. They really enjoyed the gifts and messages they received from their sponsors and four more children were registered for support.

While we were delivering the gifts, we were made aware of a rickety kitchen – the

whole structure was dangerous and on the verge of collapse. As we discussed what to do, amazingly a man holding a trowel happened to be passing by. A charge for his labour was agreed and five days later the new kitchen had been built.



In May 2010 Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry started an Income Generating Activity (IGA) and several families received female goats to breed. Goats are very important to the cultural traditions and economic success of the region and the breeding programme means that the first-born female goat is passed on to another family, bringing the potential of this IGA to life.

We were also delighted to report that the Give a Child a Chicken launched at Easter, has provided many of the children with eggs to eat, making a great improvement in their diet which has been lacking in protein. We have recently built another protected spring which is now serving a village, a health centre, church and school thus providing 250 people in this community with clean water. Saying "thank you" seems such an inadequate way to express how much your prayers, encouraging words, fund raising activities and financial gifts have made to the lives of so many vulnerable children. Your support really does make a difference and to each and every supporter we do sincerely say THANK YOU!

