

Bridging the Gap

Dear friends, September 27th 2011 became a significant date for BOHCM. On that day the opening ceremony of the first two bungalows took place. In attendance was a team from the UK together with local dignitaries, the sponsored children with their guardians, the local community, members of the press and radio, pupils and teachers from Kahengye primary school. In all there were over 300 people who celebrated this momentous occasion.



The proceedings commenced with a thanks-giving service that included a Baptism of one of the sponsored children, followed by the customary speeches, wonderful singing and dancing and the cutting of the ribbon. The first bungalow has been named 'Genesis' (the beginning) and the second, 'Hallelujah' (praise God).

Two live-in housemothers have been appointed, Enid and Beatrice along with Innocent, the house aunt, who commutes each day to assist both mothers. She will care for the children when they take their annual leave.

Seven children have already moved into Genesis and soon more children will move into Hallelujah. This will be done gradually so the children have time to settle and the housemothers will not be overwhelmed.

If you would like to support the children through our 'Give a Child a Home' scheme at £12 per month, please contact us by telephone or email for more information. Your regular donation will help to provide the children with essential items such as food, medical needs, school fees and uniforms.

Two of the seven children now attend the local Kahengye primary school but the remaining five need to attend a nursery school. Unfortunately, there is no nursery in the immediate area, so this has become the next issue to address – we look forward to what God has in store for this!

After distributing 79 food parcels to the sponsored children, which they really appreciated, we attended the opening of two more protected springs. Our sincere thanks go to 'No More Dirty Water' and South Downs College in Southsea who raised the necessary funds for these life saving projects.

With Christmas fast approaching please remember we have alternative gift cards, a scheme which will ease your Christmas shopping burden whilst benefitting the children in Uganda. Instead of giving a present to family or friends, you can give them a gift card priced from £5.00 to £25.00 to purchase such items as scholastic materials and uniforms, blankets, fruit trees, Bibles, garden tools, a pair of shoes, a mattress or a goat. Each card will show details of the gift you have purchased.

2011 has been an amazing year for **BOHCM** for which we give thanks to God. To all you wonderful supporters, a very big thank you for all you do and a very joyful Christmas and blessings for 2012!

Proverbs 31 v 8
"Speak up for those who cannot
speak for themselves for the rights
of all who are destitute"

