

Bridging the Gap

Dear Friends of BOHCM

Welcome to the autumn edition of "Bridging the Gap". We give thanks to our Almighty God for your gifts, support and prayers that enable Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry (BOHCM) to work in Uganda, giving those who live in poverty hope for a brighter future.

Child sponsorship scheme

It is hard to explain the pure joy and laughter experienced when 155 sponsored children received a special food gift, a large bar of soap and extra financial support from their sponsor. Such a gift is truly valued by all the family and is a tangible sign that they are not forgotten.



The celebration continued as we applauded Annah, one of the older sponsored children, for successfully completing her Secondary Teacher Training Course. Her life has been truly transformed over the years that she has been sponsored.



Abandoned baby boy

The kindness of picking up a crying toddler from the side of the road one night became a terrible burden for a homeless widow. Visits to the Police and local Social Worker were unproductive for this woman and she was advised to contact BOHCM. This "good Samaritan" was struggling just to feed the child and was clearly unable to give him a secure home. Fortunately God's timing is perfect as we were able to settle him with a newly registered BOHCM Foster Carer. The name David was chosen for this precious little boy.



Clean water saves lives

Another rural community were blessed with a Protected Spring and are no longer forced to drink from a dirty pond. Too many people have no choice but to drink unsafe water and our thanks go to the charity "No More Dirty Water" who instigated the fundraising for this life saving project.





Teaching guardians basic health care benefits many children

Bridge of Hope nursery and primary school

At the start of the academic year in February 2019 we will open the long awaited Primary 7 class, thus completing the school. Up to forty new children will join the Nursery Baby Class and interviews for another Primary Teacher will be held in January. Recently the parents and guardians were invited to attend a teaching programme on improving simple hygiene practices with the main focus on preventing and treating Head Fungus. The day was very well attended and presented by two local medical officers.



Prayer points

- Pray that the teacher's interviews are successful
- Pray for more genuine people to offer to foster a child
- Give thanks for the dedication of BOHCM supporters
- Give thanks that we can support children with disabilities & medical needs

Providing homes

Thanks to your wonderful support BOHCM bought a small piece of land for a homeless widow and her three children. Generous fund raisers then held a special dinner to raise money to build them a house and latrine, blessing this family with the security they could only ever have dreamed of. Furthermore, an elderly grandmother, the sole carer for her grandson, also has a new home and no longer lives in fear of her old shelter collapsing on them.

Bible Based Holiday Club (BBHC)

During December and January our BBHC will take place on two different sites. These extremely popular Holiday Clubs continue to welcome between 500-800 children at each session. A large range of subjects are covered to include, hygiene and personal safety plus the opportunity for storytelling, fun games, singing and dancing.

Alternative gift cards

Make Christmas special and buy your loved one a gift card that will support a child in Uganda. A range of cards are available, school lunches, school bursaries, a bag of food for a Christmas meal or a mattress and blanket.

For more information and a list of available cards please email info@bohcm.org or call 01992 712427.

Ephesians 2:10
For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

