

Bridging the Gap

Dear Friends

A sincere thank you to all our supporters – you are making such a difference to hundreds of young lives in Uganda. We are so grateful for your support and step by step together in Jesus' name we are moving forward to release these children from poverty.

Child sponsorship blesses 155 children

We always breathe a huge sigh of relief when we see all the suitcases containing the annual letters and gifts arriving safely on the airport carousel in Entebbe. Then, once clear of the airport, follows the final eight hour road journey which ensures all the gifts are delivered to Rukungiri ready for us to distribute to the sponsored children. They are so happy to hear from their sponsors and many simply hug their gifts until we encourage them to open their parcels. Translators



help each one and their guardian to write back to their sponsor. The guardians love giving testimonies expressing their thanks to God and the sponsors for giving them "Hope" and changing their lives.



Bridge of Hope children's village

Thanks to your support, twenty-seven healthy children eagerly ran to greet the arrival of our team from the UK. Over the following two weeks we attended church together, had a special lunch with the children who enjoyed all the attention and activities including face painting, games, drawing, singing and dancing and a welcome delivery of fresh pineapples.





Bridge of Hope nursery and primary school

Currently we are planning to assist the children's parents to purchase "sportswear" – t-shirts and shorts. The parents requested these items and explained that it would help the children to preserve their school uniforms during games lessons. Our aim is to contribute

towards the sportswear for one class per term until the whole school has this kit. Any child on a BOHCM bursary will be fully funded.

Recently we were able to offer medical treatment to Princess, a nursery child, in order to remove a diseased eye. It has been replaced with a synthetic one and Princess has recovered well from the operation and has good vision in her healthy eye. We are now making arrangements to give the priceless gift of sight to another child, Ronald, later this year as he is in need of a cornea transplant.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Afternoon Tea 10TH August 3^{PM} – Tickets available now
Barn Dance 21ST September – Tickets available now
Check our website for more details.

BOHCM Quiz 19TH October
More details to follow

News

- **Two more houses and two latrines** were built for families during June-July.
- **A Homeless family** were provided with a house rented by BOHCM and the children excitedly attended school for the very first time.
- **Our two Bible Based Holiday Clubs** are thriving and very well attended.
- **Clean Water Saves Lives** and our latest two Protected Springs enable people living in poor communities to have clean water and basic sanitation. This makes all the difference between good health and life threatening illnesses. Our thanks go to "No More Dirty Water" and "Friends of BOHCM" who have provided these great resources.
- **Four more young people** joined a Vocational Scheme and are learning essential skills.
- **Child Sponsorship** really works – we registered four more children into the programme. Please do contact us if you would like to sponsor a child.
- **The Bridge of Hope Truck** was successfully replaced with a newer vehicle which is already serving us well, especially during the current water shortage.

Prayer points

- Give thanks for the visiting teams who are so enthusiastic and supportive
- Give thanks for the commitment and sacrifice made by so many supporters
- Pray for God's guidance so that BOHCM can continue to make a meaningful difference
- Pray for Ronald, the child awaiting eye surgery

2 Corinthians 1:3
Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.

