



AFRICAN HEARTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

October, 2013 NEWSLETTER

Dear friends and supporters, greetings from African Hearts. I am pleased to report all that has happened in the past month.

► School



Our school choir has just finished shooting video for the music that we recorded this year in preparation for the launch of our first school music album. We hope to sell many of them to guests and parents who will attend that day, Lord willing. Please keep this day in your prayers. We are preparing our Primary Seven Class for their national exams which are due on November 4, 2013. This is a huge responsibility as this is our first time to have a class sit for the national exam. Our school continues to shine in the Ssenge Community and the nearby areas. We are now looking at finishing the dormitory project to get more paying children so that the school can sustainably run. The African Hearts Savings and Credit Cooperative has been spearheaded by the teachers and other salary earners at African Hearts. We hope that this will play a great role in addressing poverty and helping more needy people like youths needing loans to start businesses to live independently.

► Slum



We have seen an increase in the number of children coming into the slums. I am also sad to note that most of their sleeping and hanging out area in Kisenyi was taken away by the government. We still noticed many fresh wounds since there are several roundups coupled with the rainy season. I was there on Friday and had many appeals from children to take them to the Ssenge Home. All I could do is to pray with them. We have had more frustrations in the court system, and although we are ready to take Kenny to the Ssenge Home, we have not yet received the permission. We will gladly appreciate your prayers.

► Homes

Children in the homes are doing great. We are happy to report that all the children are healthy except for Lubega George who had tooth complications recently, but we are glad his teeth were fixed. On that same note, I would also love to ask you to remember praying for George as he tries to find who he is and define what is good for his future.

► Brass Band



Our band has been blessed recently by performances which have helped us raise some money and send a few boys to school. I am happy to report also that two boys, Kimera Dancun and Mugerwa Lenon, have earned scholarships in secondary school for their music. African Hearts has provided all their school requirements, and their fees will be paid in kind as they boost the band of High Standard Academy Kateera. We are off to a very good transition where we have the younger band coming up. The difference is that the children in this junior band are learning to read sheet music.

► Success Story



Allow me to feature the 3 youngest boys in our home in this newscast. We are all very impressed by how much they have grown in stature, in the Word of God and in favor with all of us. To some people it might be too early to call this success, but having spent some quality time with them on Saturday, I was filled with joy to see them take care of each other as they all share things together. Each of them has a great desire to ride in a car, but if you invite one for a ride, he will first run to pick his brothers. If you give him something good, he will

remind you that his two brothers would also love the same. On Saturday I was blown away as Auntie Heidi was reading an airplane book about 20 pages long, and John and Kassim are not so good at English like Dennis so Dennis is always the translator even in devotions. Yaba (John) and Kassim love to shade (color) and can speak some little English now. Praise God for the transformation in these boys rescued from the slums of Kisenyi.

► PRAYER REQUESTS

- God's wisdom and protection for us and our children
- That all our children shall grow to know Jesus and get closer to Him everyday
- Funds for launching our Dormitory/Vocational Centre Phase 2 construction
- Car for office for our African Hearts staff to ease work and provide safe travel
- Growing our own food for sustainability

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“And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:19