



# Buyamba News

Helping Uganda...one child at a time

## THE MISSION TO EDUCATE & DISCIPLE

Buyamba's Mission is to offer love, hope, and a future through education and discipleship... one child at a time. How does discipleship intentionally happen in the lives of the students at God Cares School in Uganda?

The answer lies in the fact that the students' spiritual development is fostered daily. Not only are the students educated by teachers and textbooks each day, but they are also guided and mentored spiritually. The books are not Christian, but the teaching comes from a Christian worldview based on scripture and is



also supported by the culture (about four-fifths of the population in Uganda is Christian). For example, we have a beautiful science lab with a national curriculum, but it is all taught with the foundation of faith in the ultimate Creator.

The staff and teachers are all believers at God Cares School, and the whole student body of both the Primary and Secondary School attends chapel midweek every week and on Sundays. The Spiritual Chaplain (Glory Dongo) is assigned to both schools to plan and implement ministry to the students. The Primary School also has an added spiritual mentor (Harriet) who lives with the younger boarding students. The chapels at both schools include student-led worship and messages from the chaplain and various Dongo family and school administration members. There are opportunities for individual and group prayer for God's love is the focus of the efforts to care for these children spiritually. There are also new plans to add a foundational course for first-year high school students to start with the return of the S1 students. (Continued on page 2).



## Communications With Your Sponsored Child

Buyamba has recently received letters and new photographs of sponsored students at God Cares School. We are excited to process these and send the sponsors new photos on mounted bios that will tell what grade they are currently (since the 2020 school year

was COVID challenged and some students have to repeat their grade level). These letters are long-awaited and took time getting to us, so thank you for your patience because some notes are from Christmas time. They are still too precious not to send to sponsors.

When a sponsor receives a letter, there is always the excitement to write back to your child, and we encourage you to do so! You can send a PRINTED (Ugandans do not do cursive) letter with your return envelope in this newsletter, or go online at [Ugandabuyamba.com](http://Ugandabuyamba.com) to write your child an email. The Buyamba US office will get your email or letter to our Buyamba Uganda office, and the cycle can continue!

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Life is not easy for a child emotionally in Uganda, and many of our students have endured exceedingly difficult childhoods. Many have lost their parents, and often there is not enough food on the table, especially with the COVID limitations and loss of jobs. We now have a professional counselor at each school twice a week (Cate Dongo) who works with children of trauma in group and individual counseling. The students are blessed to have people who care for them, pray with them and for them (including the sponsors in the US).



“Learn to do right; seek justice.  
Defend the oppressed. Take  
up the cause of the fatherless;  
plead the case of the widow.”

- Isaiah 1:17



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This internal correspondence plan is God Cares School administrator's policy. They do not want the students on social media or emailing a sponsor on the side. This rule is for the student's protection and the sponsors, for sometimes it leads to students asking for things or money, which again, is not the school's policy. When a child reaches the university level, this policy changes. The student and sponsor can continue a relationship outside of God Cares School if desired on both parts.



The vision of Buyamba is to EMPOWER the children to impact their nation for Christ, and we trust the administrators at God Cares School as we support them in their process of establishing success with the students they educate and disciple. We are blessed to come alongside them and impact their efforts.

Buyamba is so grateful for all the support and empowerment from the sponsors and donors that have helped build and shape God Cares Schools.

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