



Buyamba News

Helping Uganda...one child at a time

Buyamba Means "Help"

Witnessing the hands and feet of Jesus ... A reflection from our Director, Julie Dimas.

During this hard time in Uganda and the U.S., it came to my attention that the Dongo family was busy at work feeding families on both sides of the globe at the same time. The whole family seemed to jump in to do whatever it took to help people. **Buyamba means "help,"** and this seemed true to the name that the ministry bears, but it was amazing how that translated further, outside the confines of the school walls, or even across the ocean.

Thanks and Ezra Dongo, and Peter and Worship Byakika have been conducting food outreaches during the lockdown, distributing care packages to hundreds of families in the God Cares School community who are struggling and in need of food throughout the Kampala and Jinja areas. Across the globe, at the same time, Glory Dongo has spent his time serving hundreds of families through Calvary Community Church and its "Fresh Market" program in Westlake Village, California.

The entire Dongo family had jumped in wherever they were and gave what they were given to help others in great need. I was reminded of Pastor Dongo and thought how proud he would be of all of his kids who found a way to care for others. There was a need, and they did what they were taught to do ... be the hands and feet of Jesus.



Worship delivering food to a family

God Cares Students & Teachers

Uganda remains in a lockdown state due to the Corona Virus. Thankfully, limitations on transportation have eased up, allowing God Cares teachers and staff to reach more students. They have continued to work tirelessly, preparing assignments for students to stay on track while they are out of school.

When visiting villages, the team encourages students who have not received school work, to try and make their way to God Cares Schools to pick up their materials so they can do their school work. Parents are eager for schools to reopen for they long to put their child somewhere they know to be safe, and a place their child's needs will be met since they might not be able to provide much. All the administration and staff are looking forward to the day that school reopens, praying it will be soon for the sake of all. Worship shared that the high school students have a surprise waiting for them because the soccer field was planted and has grown in!



Because Of Your Faithfulness...

Buyamba Stands Strong!

Due to the faithfulness of our sponsors and donors who continually give, even in the face of difficulty, Buyamba remains stable in both Uganda and the U.S. We haven't skipped a beat in our mission of caring for the orphaned and needy children of Uganda because of your loyalty and steadfastness.

Buyamba is Able to Provide!

Together, we have provided approximately 700 packages of food in the past two months, which has been distributed to the God Cares School student families. The food packages will feed families for three to four weeks. We have also continued to provide shelter and food for 30 Sudanese students who could not travel back to the Sudanese refugee camp.

We have financially provided for the 140 primary and secondary God Cares School teachers and staff. Ensuring they are cared for by remaining on payroll, and receiving food packages if needed. Buyamba values our teachers and their dedication to our students.

One teacher sent a message of gratitude:

"Allow me on my behalf, and behalf of other members to express our gratitude to the directors, rector, headteacher, and top administrators for the financial, spiritual, psychological support extended to us. We don't take it for granted, especially in this most difficult time of the 'devil' corona pandemic. You have shown that you're caring and loving parents who render service above self. The most valuable yet cheap word to express this is THANK YOU. God bless and stay safe."

Buyamba Remains Represented!

The spring time is typically filled with events and church visits. Buyamba looks forward to this time because it is usually a season of ministry growth. It has been amazing to see our partner churches step in with different ways of sharing Buyamba with their community, such as allowing us to be part of their virtual services or creating fundraisers to help with the food outreach effort.



Buyamba Has Witnessed YOU Giving Creatively!

We are blessed to see our sponsors giving creatively however they can. Many have been giving beyond sponsorship, helping with our food outreach, picking up an additional sponsored child, giving a gift in honor of a loved one, setting up a Facebook Fundraising page, or giving through Amazon Smile. It's been amazing to watch how many ways there are to give!

No matter the size or effort behind the gift, the faithfulness that has been shown AGAIN through our Buyamba sponsors is something that needs to APPRECIATED and shared with all.

THANK YOU, EVERYONE, FOR STANDING WITH US DURING THIS TIME!

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