



# FAMILY CARE UGANDA

## JULY 2021



Greetings dear friends! What a challenging couple of months it's been with Covid raging through Uganda like never before. The first wave had very little impact, but this new wave of the Delta strain from India has been very deadly. Schools, businesses and government offices mostly locked down for 42 days. Despite the large number of deaths though, your prayers for our dear children and older ones are being answered and, all are fine, thank the Lord!

### ALL WINNERS! NO AVERAGE RESULTS IN NATIONAL EXAMS!



We are absolutely thrilled! Despite all the incredible obstacles thrown across our paths, with covid, our teachers needing to travel deep up into the mountains, to the villages, to the refugee camp, printing thousands of pages for our young students when they couldn't be at



school, explaining problems by phone to the young ones living in distant villages during the extended lockdown ... we just heard that our Primary school candidates did great in the National exams! 6 of them received A's and all the rest received B's. Not one received an average grade! We are so proud of them! Incidentally, since 2013, we have had our oldest class in primary school

consistently receive A and B grades. Considering the fact that many came to us speaking almost zero English and they are from the most marginalized communities which are the poorest of the poor, it's a miracle! Thank you so much for sticking with us so we can steadily help these wonderful young people achieve their potential!

## NATIONAL COMPETITION!

Two of our 6<sup>th</sup> grade pupils excelled in a District competition for the Ministry of Tourism. They were taken to Kampala with one of our teachers to compete and came within the top 6 schools in the country! We are so proud of you, Agenorwot Shirley and Oola Steward! They came back with books donated to our library, Certificates, T-shirts and a lot of praise for their great efforts!

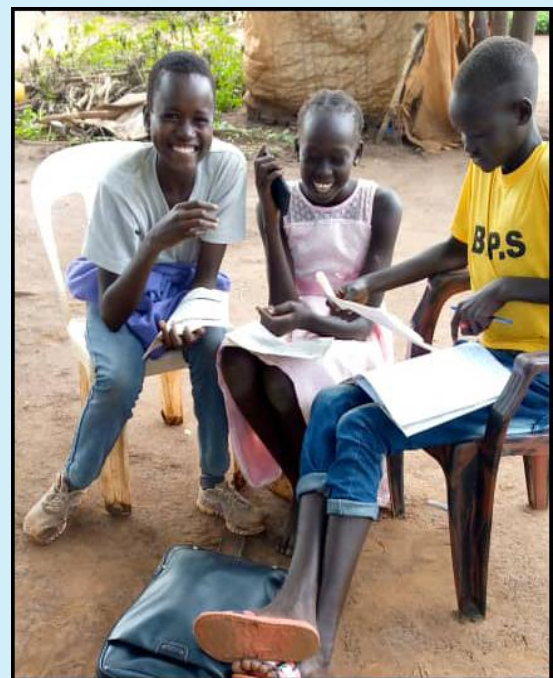
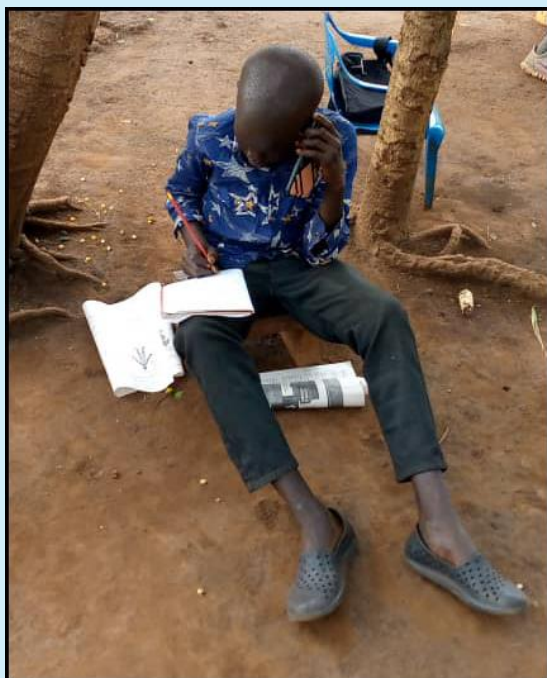
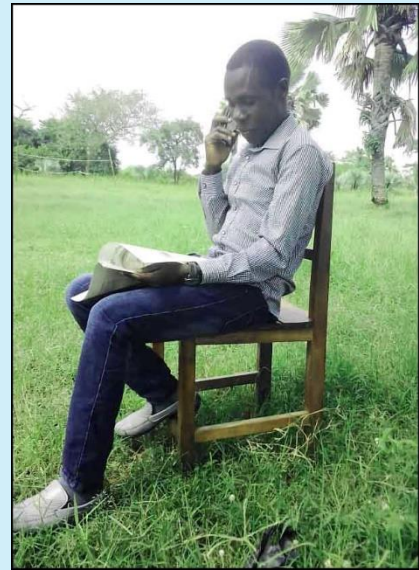


Nancy had to go back up the mountains for this latest lockdown. She schooled with us and is now sponsored and studying to become a nurse. Her dear mum, pictured here said "Illakasugo'tiak'a zuk" A heart-felt thanks for caring for and educating her daughter all these years.



## SERIOUS DELTA STRAIN OF COVID HITTING UGANDA RIGHT NOW

We are so grateful for each of you, sticking with our children and young people as they grow, learn and begin to help lift up their communities. Uganda is not doing well right now with the virus taking many lives. With the latest Delta strain, the resources are woefully limited, very few respirators and vaccines are available, and ICU situations are only for the wealthy. This short clip from the BBC shows how children are automatically put into child labour situations and even some of our 1k young people are needing to scrounge and dig for gold, just like those pictured. <https://www.bbc.com/news/av/world-africa-57600657> We are coming out of a dramatic 42 day lockdown for the entire country, including all schools being closed, so our dear children are trying their best. The pandemic hitting the deep third world is a huge challenge. Thankfully, with the first lockdown, the Lord showed us to photocopy thousands of worksheets, and make follow up phone calls throughout. All our teachers took different groups of children to follow up on and explain work to. Here teacher Aaron is teaching our young South Sudanese pupils in the refugee camp by phone, to walk them through their worksheets. That's one reason they are doing better than average, and we are so grateful for your gifts to help us do this teaching that is above and beyond normal. Your prayers for the Lord's protection are so very appreciated!



## A TRIMMED AND MODERNISED NEWSLETTER

These days, so many of you are reading our News Updates on your phones. We've been keeping to an older format, with lots of small text, small photos and lots of stories, coming less frequently. We're going to try something different—with much larger photos, way less text and coming more regularly. We hope you like it!



## OUR FARM TEAM



Even during lockdowns, farming is allowed, so our faithful farm team has been steadily growing cabbage, onions and a range of veggies that will be perfect when the children return in a couple weeks. Our long-term vision is for the farm to become the key income-generator for the school, so it'll move towards our original goal of an indigenous team who are self-supporting.



## OUR OLDER STUDENTS "PAYING IT FORWARD" DURING LOCKDOWN



Our older graduates who we sponsor for further training in Nursing, Business, Agriculture, Construction etc. have attended school, then found they were given odd training/schooling times, then lockdown hit at different times for them all. Through these lockdowns, they have been amazing, volunteering in small clinics with the doctors right there or a phone call away, helping with major clean-ups,

teaching in the villages, building a home in the village and taking all sorts of initiatives. We are so proud of them—paying it forward! They are grateful for all they have received because of your kind gifts, they take any chance to give to the needy in their communities. Joyce and Omen above.







Bill helping with a huge clean up initiative and on the right Billy, building a home in the area during his tech school lockdown.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

We are so THANKFUL!! – to the Lord and to each of you The Lord (through you!) has supplied for all our teachers, students' full needs—health, sanitary, practical, spiritual and academic.

He has surely kept us all, even the very remote Ik community who are very susceptible to disease, because of their extreme isolation. They have had not one case of covid!



### Prayer Requests:

- ✚ Please pray against the Delta strain that has been hitting Uganda very hard in this second wave. For protection for each of our children, their families, our teachers and staff.
- ✚ Kindly pray we can have a financial boost to not only finish the floors of our Community hall/dining room, but that we'll have enough funding to fully furnish it!
- ✚ For funds to build our last home for children
- ✚ For abundant supply so we can put furniture in the library
- ✚ For protection from any accidents, snakes, robberies or fires.
- ✚ For health and against malaria, covid or other illnesses.
- ✚ For continued wisdom and teamworking of our team on-the-ground in Uganda and constant, daily WhatsApp
- ✚ With school resuming in the next few days, for us all be able to help them grow and make up for time lost.









We are incredibly grateful for your kind and generous giving! We could not do any of this without you. We pray the Lord blesses you "a hundred-fold" and more!!!

School fees for a primary school child at our school for a year:	\$200
School fees for a secondary school child at one of our local best high schools /year:	\$500
School fees for a tertiary student for Agriculture/Business or Nursing /year:	1,300
Build the last home for children	\$9,000
Furniture for our Community Hall	\$2,500
Furniture for our Library	\$330
Fencing per 100m	\$136
Painting the Community Hall	\$400

Important note: If any of you have been donating via Family Care Foundation, kindly note that after all these years, where they have kindly and professionally helped get the funds to over 80 projects world-wide, they have closed down. We are extremely grateful for their sacrificial, professional and wonderful support they have been to us. Please change your giving to being via Paypal (details below).

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