

**Greetings from YICA** 

supporting and serving.

Greetings from Uganda! We hope that you've had a wonderful last few months and that the LORD has kept you well!

We apologize for the late update to you all. Our administrative assistant, Kelsey, lost her mother and was back home in the States for many months.

Thank you for always remaining faithful to pray for us. It is incredible to see God use you to fulfill his work here in Uganda.



# **Announcements**

Online donations are up and running! We have partnered with International Messengers (IM) to help us receive donations. IM is a registered Christian organization in the US, and therefore all donations are now tax deductible. To donate, either go to our website, or click here.

If you are interested in coming to visit or serve with us, please send us an email! We would love to have a team to help us with a Church Leaders' Training, and potentially help with a Youth Camp!

We are on the hunt for land to build an office! Please be praying for us.



### YICA Child

### **Gathering Day**

Our monthly Gathering Days have been well on their way as our team organizes the function. One of our recent gatherings happened on the 23rd of November. 33 children attended, though many were late as the rain had fallen during the morning. Most of the roads where we operate are dirt, and when it rains, they become very muddy and slippery. This makes coming on time very tricky.

Ms. Carol shared the story of the Parable of the Sower. The kids were very engaged, as most, if not all, come from farming families. The kids were able to understand the story and proudly proclaimed they want to be the good soil!

### A Special Testimony

Mr. Simon on one of his home visits went to visit a girl named Veronika. Upon reaching, he saw that the house was in bad condition- holes in the walls covered by clothes and a leaking roof. However, when he went back last month to check on her and her family, he found when the family had started building a new house that they are now living in!





## YICA CHILD PRAYER POINTS

- 1. Please join us in prayer for sponsors of the children.
- 2. Please pray for the leaders of the program to know how to best teach the children, and advocate for them.
- 3. Please pray for the rain to not come when we have our monthly Gathering Day as it really effects the efficiency and punctuality of the program.



### **Youth Chat**

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Our Youth Chat small group continues to meet twice a month still studying how to build a deeper relationship with God. Our small group has 7 attendees, who meet together to study and discuss under the supervision of Mr. Francis.

To celebrate the end of the year, and to appreciate the commitment of our small group's dedication, we hosted a dinner party for them at Rocy Hotel. It was a wonderful evening, where the youth dressed up, shared the impacts of the program on their lives, and had fun!







We also were invited to help participate in a movie night at Busamaga Baptist Church on Dec 13th, where a few of our members attend. About 25 youth from the church attended, and seemed to enjoy the movie about Moses that was shown.

## YOUTH CHAT PRAYER POINTS

- 1. Please join us in prayer for funding for the program, so that we may be able to get teaching materials. gather with the youth, and start new groups.
- 2. Please Pray for clarity as we begin the new year on how best to manage and grow the program.
- 3. Please pray for bonding and unity amongst the participants.



## **High School Outreach**

#### The Relaunch

Our longest running program is the High School Outreach, which is the department our founders started in 2014. It was the tool that our founders used initially to spread the Gospel to fellow youth. We hadn't been able to operate in recent years due to funding and lack of resources. But due to a generous donation and resources made available, we relaunched the program!

We are currently serving 2 high schools in Mbale- Bagisu High School and Townside High School. We are meeting with student leaders of the schools weekly and are leading them through the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People book.

Since beginning in October, James lead the youth through the of introduction of the program and book, being proactive, and beginning with the end in mind (having a vision). Since students had exams and Christmas break (no longer at school), we paused the program until schools reopen in February.







# High School Outreach Prayer Requests

- 1.For the Lord to continue to give wisdom to James as he leads and teaches the students.
- 2. For the Lord to raise up other leaders to join in the work.
- 3. For logistics of hosting a leadership training for the students.



## **Looking Into 2025**

### A Special Note from the Magomu Family

Greetings Beloved Friends,

What a beautiful, but challenging year 2024 has been. As a family, we have gone through a lot of grief this year with the loss of my (Kelsey) mother. It has made it hard for us to keep in touch with all of you, but our work here in Uganda continues.

We have grown a lot as an organization this year, with new strategies, personal development of team members, growth of programs, and new dreams.

As we look into 2025, we are excited for what the new year is going to bring! So many fun, and important developments are in store.

For example, our church leaders' training will resume and happen every two months! We also are bringing on a regional team leader to help support programs and volunteers! And most excitedly, we will be traveling to the States for a personal matter and to visit supporters and share about the ministry! If you would like to host us, please reach out via our email below!

We are excited to continue to share with you how God is moving in Uganda in the coming year!

We love you all, James and Kelsey





