

Home of the Holy Angels



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A Visit to Uganda.

The fertile, tropical setting for The Home of the Holy Angels is misleading: it is one of the poorest districts in Uganda. Agriculture is the predominant industry. Most residents are poor farmers and must constantly work the earth to produce sweet potatoes, cassava, nuts, corn and rice for their sustenance.

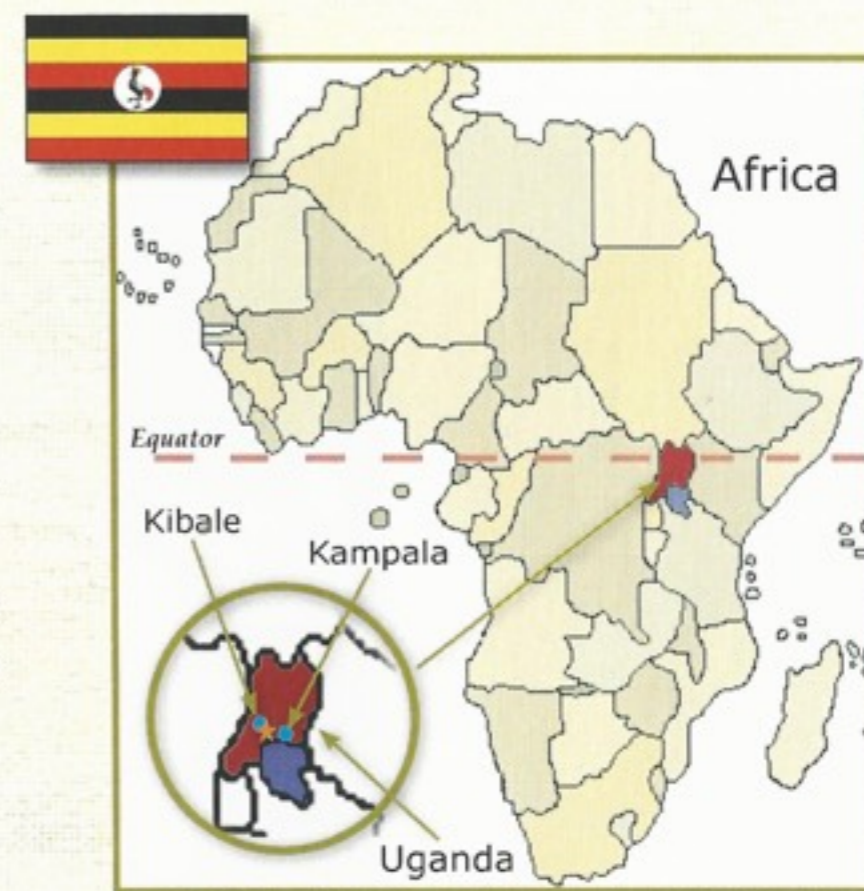
Once a colony of the United Kingdom, Uganda has adopted English as the official business language. English is taught in the schools beginning in the mid-primary years. A variety of dialects of tribal ancestors adds to the communications mix. Luganda is the primary native language spoken throughout 60% of the country. Swahili is also widely used. The people's English heritage is also responsible for their faith: about 66% of Uganda is Christian, 15% Muslim and other indigenous beliefs make up the balance.

What is KUDU?

KUDU is a group of remarkable friends who are providing the long-range vision for the establishment and identity of The Home of the Holy Angels. An acronym for the Kibale Uganda Development Union, Inc., a 501-c-3 non-profit based in Winter Park, Florida, KUDU provides the nurturing environment for success in a very important mission half a world away.

The Home of the Holy Angels is staffed by professionally trained educators and matrons, members of religious orders who are under the direction of Father Charles Nabwana. Fr. Nabwana was born and raised in the locale and has dedicated his life to enriching his community, both physically and spiritually. Children are left orphaned due to the AIDS/HIV disease which has almost eliminated the middle generation of the country's population.

A web site was created to better inform Friends of KUDU. Go to: helpkibale.org to learn how you can become involved in KUDU and The Home of the Holy Angels. There, you can also meet the school staff, see photos of the children and the progress of our school.



*Africa is comprised of 55 individual, sovereign nations. **Uganda**, highlighted in red, is a land-locked, fertile, well-watered country with many lakes and rivers and great biodiversity, about 241,000 square miles in size, slightly larger than Oregon. The population, however, is about the same size as California.*

Uganda is bordered by Sudan, Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo and is located on the Equator. Part of its southern border is Lake Victoria.

The national flag, above, features the crested crane; the colors are red, yellow and black.

*The capital city, **Kampala**, means 'Hill of Antelope'. **The Home of the Holy Angels**, shown by the star, is located in the Kibeedi District, in the rural town of **Kibale**. The Kibeedi district is located near the Kibale National Park and the Queen Elizabeth Park, popular safari destinations, near the border of the Democratic Republic of Congo.*

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Dear friends, my name is Father Charles Nabwana. I am a Catholic priest from the country of Uganda, in East Africa. As you may know, parts of Africa have been hit heavily by a number of challenges -- the AIDS epidemic, economic instability and political unrest -- to name a few. This has taken a serious toll on the people, and in particular the children who have lost their parents. A number of years ago, I had a vision for how we could make a difference - to be a candle in the darkness that was enveloping these fine people. Through the generous support and partnership of a number of people in the United States, we were successful in creating The Home of the Holy Angels - a center that provides food, shelter, and education to orphans in the Kibale district of Uganda. Through our non-profit organization, Kibale Uganda Development Union, Inc., KUDU, we are working to expand the reach of our mission, and include many more orphans.

This book was written for several reasons. First, I wanted to provide more people with the opportunity to learn about our mission. Through the pages that follow, you will get to meet some of these children, and learn more about The Home of the Holy Angels. I also wanted to present a view of what we can learn from these children. As you'll see, the book follows the alphabet and presents 26 'lessons' that we have learned from working with the children.

My hope is that the messages will be an inspiration and a blessing to you, your families and friends. May God bless you and your families abundantly!



Fr. Charles Nabwana

Fr. Charles Nabwana is President of KUDU, Inc. and the Director of The Home of the Holy Angels.



AMERICA is special.

America is special indeed, and a very generous country. We are fortunate at The Home of the Holy Angels to be blessed by the generous donations of a number of Americans who, with God's grace, have made this mission possible.

The Home of the Holy Angels started with a small group of individuals who helped me craft a clear vision for what we wanted to do. That was followed by our first growth partner who provided a substantial donation to secure the land we now occupy. We opened The Home of the Holy Angels in June 2010 to 26 children, and we have continued to expand the number of children we support. I know these children as if they were my own. They may not know you by name, but we have taught them about you and how special your country is.

When I look in their eyes, hear their laughter, and see them beginning to prosper again, I believe that they, too, know how special America is.

You changed my mourning into dancing; you took off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness. Psalm 30:12



Through the generosity of many friends in the United States, we were able to build The Home of the Holy Angels.



BEAUTY can be found everywhere.

In the year 2000, I moved to the United States, and have lived in the states of Wisconsin and Florida. Having lived in both Uganda and the US, it is interesting to note how different our countries are; but there are many similarities too, especially among our youth.

I love to watch the children and see their amazement and wonder as they experience the beauty that God has placed before us: following a butterfly, watching an animal give birth, or simply enjoying nature itself. I like to remind myself sometimes to refocus, and enjoy the world through their eyes.

All your works give you thanks, Lord, and your faithful bless you. Psalm 145:10



At The Home of the Holy Angels, beauty is all around.



CREATIVITY abounds when you provide opportunity.

When I was faced with the challenge of implementing the vision for The Home of the Holy Angels, I said many prayers and asked God to lead me to people who also had a heart for these children.

God has done just that and has brought me many friends. Through their talents and creativity, we were able to take an idea and transform it into The Home of the Holy Angels. I have seen the same thing happen with the children. Now that we have them in a safe environment, they too are beginning to blossom. I see their joyful spirits and that creative spark that is part of being a child.

When I see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and stars that you set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and a son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him little less than a god, crowned him with glory and honor. Psalm 8:4-6



First grade class with Sr. Magdalen at The Home of the Holy Angels.



DEATH touches all, but, with support, we can move on.

When some orphans arrive at The Home, you can see the fear and emptiness in their eyes. You also notice that they are missing the essence of what it means to be a child -- curiosity, wonder and creativity.

Peter joined us when he was five years old, having lost both parents to AIDS. He was depressed and did not want to interact with anyone. His feet were hurting from small parasites called jiggers, and he had head lice. Two of the children assisted the staff as we welcomed Peter; they helped us to remove the parasites, gave him a haircut, helped him wash up, and became his friend.

Through the support he received, Peter has now become an active child at The Home and has begun the journey to becoming whole once again.

He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away. Revelation 21:4

The AIDS Challenge



Uganda has been hit very hard by the outbreak of the AIDS epidemic in East Africa.



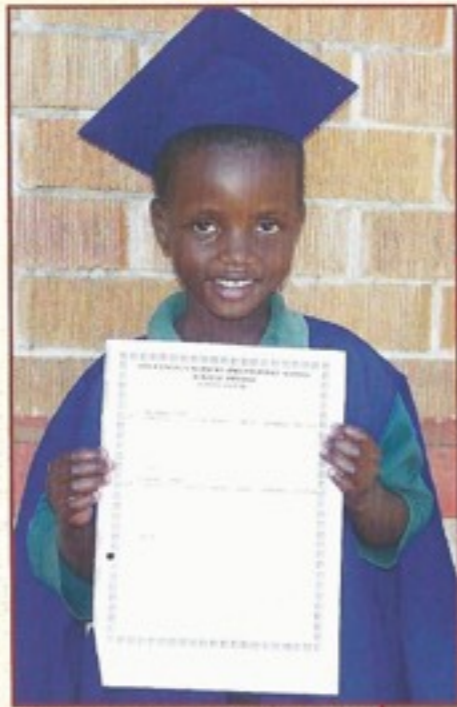
EDUCATION makes a difference; don't take it for granted.

Albert Einstein once said "Every child is born a genius." From watching the children, I would agree. It is so rewarding and heart-warming to see them as they develop. When the children arrive at The Home, they are illiterate. After about six months, they are able to read and write, and they even join with the teachers in helping the newer children to learn.

Between trimesters the students return to their guardians, for example, an aged grandparent. It's amazing to watch the children read letters and newspapers to their guardians, who typically do not know how to read or write. It reminds me of the caterpillar turning into a butterfly – once the opportunity is provided, you begin to see the children emerge from the cocoons they have been in.

Our motto at The Home of the Holy Angels is 'Education for Development.' We strive to offer the best education possible in order to develop and transform our region, which is one of the poorest and most remote in Uganda.

Moses was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was powerful in his words and deeds. Acts 7:22



Celebrating success: the first Kindergarten class and their teachers stand so proudly.



FRIENDS are really special.

When Vincent arrived at The Home of the Holy Angels, he was afraid, lost and isolated. He refused to eat and hid in the corner of a classroom. It wasn't long before the other children at The Home made him feel very welcome.

After only two days, he knew almost everyone and had many new friends. Vincent tells me that his friends at The Home make him feel special and loved – something he has never had in his life.

A friend is a friend at all times, and a brother is born for the time of adversity. Proverb 17:17



Students and staff gather at The Home of the Holy Angels after school. The stained glass artwork, above, which is the signature logo for The Home of the Holy Angels, was created by Winter Park, FL glass artist Dee Peeler in 2010. Her gift was hand-carried to Kibale by Denis and Mary-Michelle Arsenault and installed in the first completed building. The installation was blessed by the community in song and prayer.



GOD helps us through His 'angels on Earth.'

Early in my life, I decided to give my life to God and be of service to Him as a priest. That is my vocation, what I was called to do, and I am very happy and fulfilled in it.

My ministry has given me the opportunity to see God in action in so many different ways and in many lives. God has a special purpose for each of us - our own calling - and we do our best to respond to that calling each day.

I've learned that God does not always send an angel to complete His work on Earth; sometimes He asks us to be those 'angels.' We have had some of our benefactors visit us in Uganda. We tell our 'little angels' at The Home who these people are, and what they have done for them. At times I almost expect the children to be looking for wings because our benefactors truly are also 'angels on Earth.'

Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father. John 14:12



The Kindergarten class proudly displays its artwork. It is rare for children in Ugandan schools to have access to art supplies and to develop artistic expression. Our visiting intern from Germany, Agnieszka Jurczyk, guided the students through a basic lesson in using art materials.



HOPE is possible, even after you have lost everything.

Each of the children at The Home of the Holy Angels has a unique story. They come from different villages and experiences, but what they all have in common is a major loss in their life – losing everything that mattered. Through our mission and the support of our benefactors, they are finding new direction and a renewed purpose for their lives.

We are afflicted in every way, but not constrained; perplexed, but not driven to despair. 2 Corinthians 4:8



We pray.

We hope.

We rebuild.

*Surrounded by
the children, Fr.
Charles gathers
with the students
for prayer in the
open air.*



INITIATIVE can be taught.

When the children arrive at The Home, there is a strong focus on building initiative. In the villages where they come from, most of the children did not have the basics that we rely on every day – for example, electricity and clean running water.

From the beginning, we teach them housekeeping rules: making their beds, brushing their teeth, putting on their clothes properly, keeping the campus clean and orderly and feeding the pigs and chickens. Developing initiative helps to provide the discipline necessary to succeed in other areas such as education.

Train the young in the way they should go; even when old, they will not swerve from it. Proverb 22:6



Learning respect and discipline through routine chores such as laundry, polishing shoes or washing the porch. After chores, we gather for a juice break.

Below, right, the interior of a primary classroom at The Home of the Holy Angels.



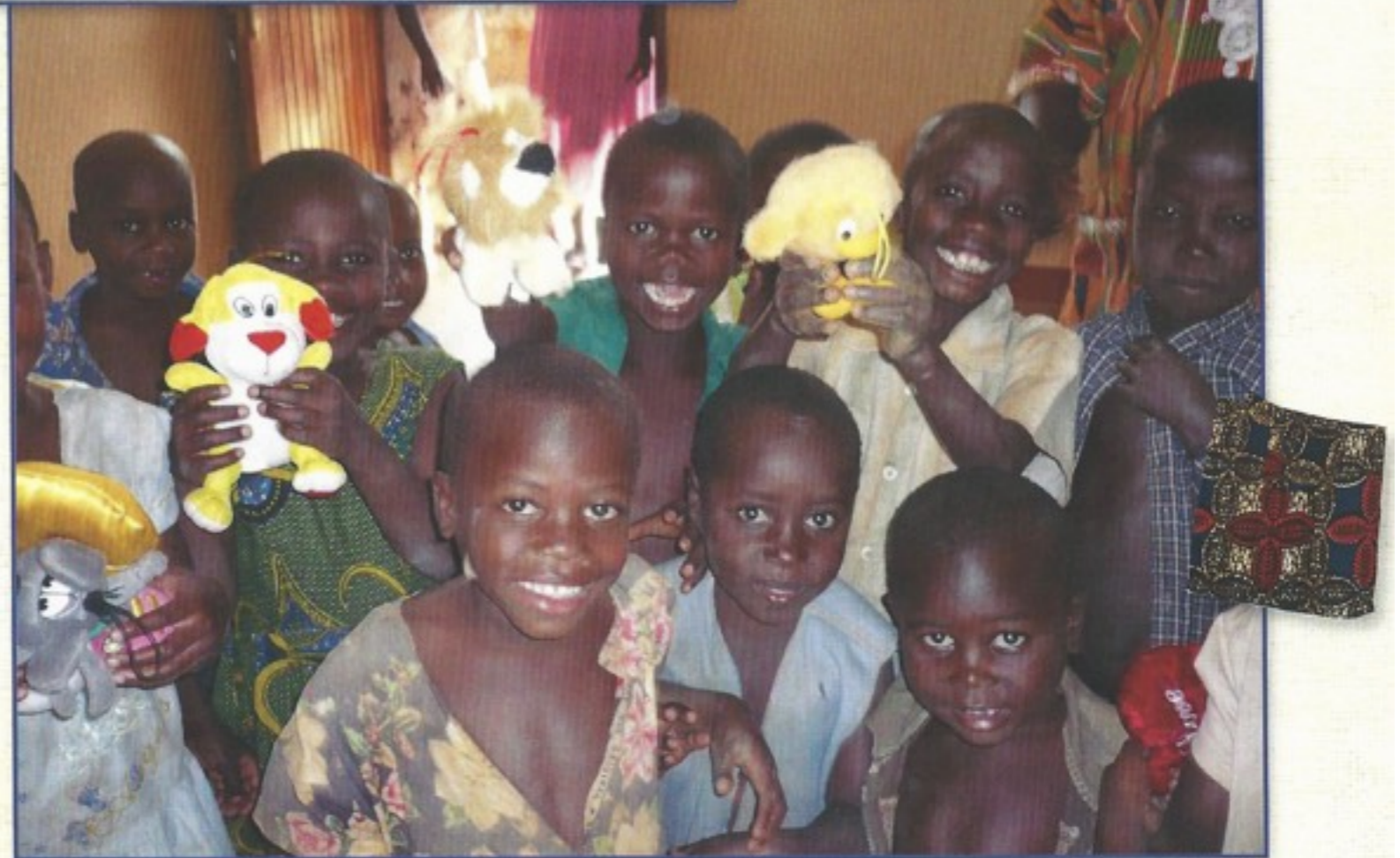
JOY is possible, even when you don't have much.

When Agnieszka Jurczyk, a young German student, came to visit The Home of The Holy Angels, she wrote in her memo: "These children have not a single game, yet they make drawings in the dust and are the happiest children you can find."

With that she phoned her mother who sent a teddy bear for every child, and some books that enabled us to set up a little library. Joy is possible by being content with what you do have.

If we have food and clothing, we shall be content with that. 1 Timothy 6:8

Photos: Agnieszka Jurczyk



Visiting teacher-intern Agnieszka Jurczyk and Fr. Charles inspect student classrooms. While on a student-teaching mission from her church in Germany, Agnes created a small library and reading areas in the classes. There are similar opportunities for educators to have an immersion experience at The Home of the Holy Angels.

Students enjoy the simple joys of a new stuffed animal!

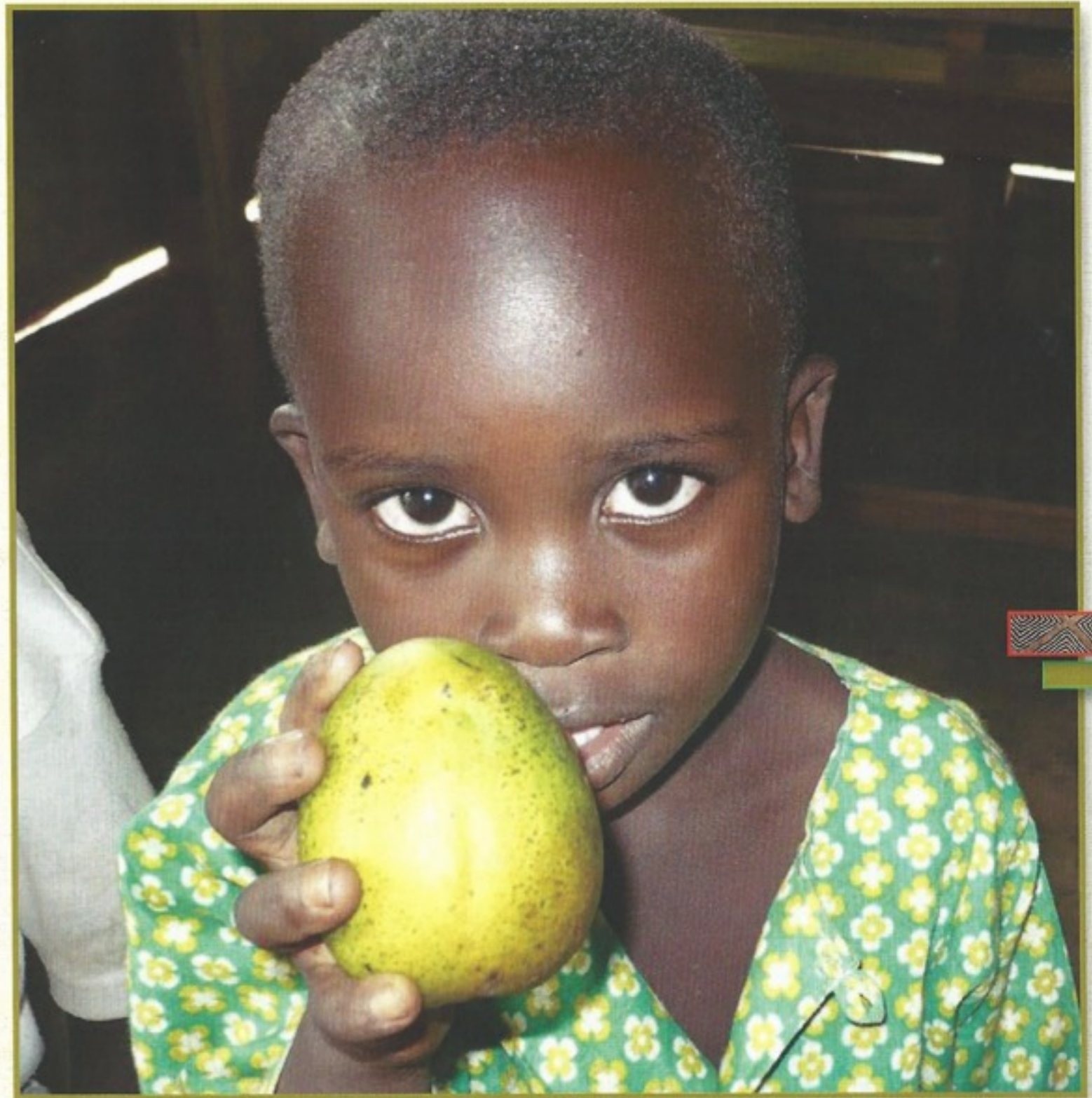


KINDNESS is imitated when a good example is set.

It's heartening to see the children who have been at The Home for a while being so supportive to the new arrivals. As you would expect, when children arrive at The Home of the Holy Angels, they are sad, lonely and apprehensive. They are quickly greeted by smiling faces of children who want to show them around.

Before their 'official' tour with a teacher or one of the matrons on staff, the newly arrived student often has excited children who eagerly show how to switch on electricity, where to sleep, proper sanitation and where everyone eats their meals. A visit to the pigs and chickens is also an early favorite!

The earth, Lord, is filled with your mercy; teach me your laws. Psalm 119:64



Sharing a mango with a new student is a way to begin a friendship.

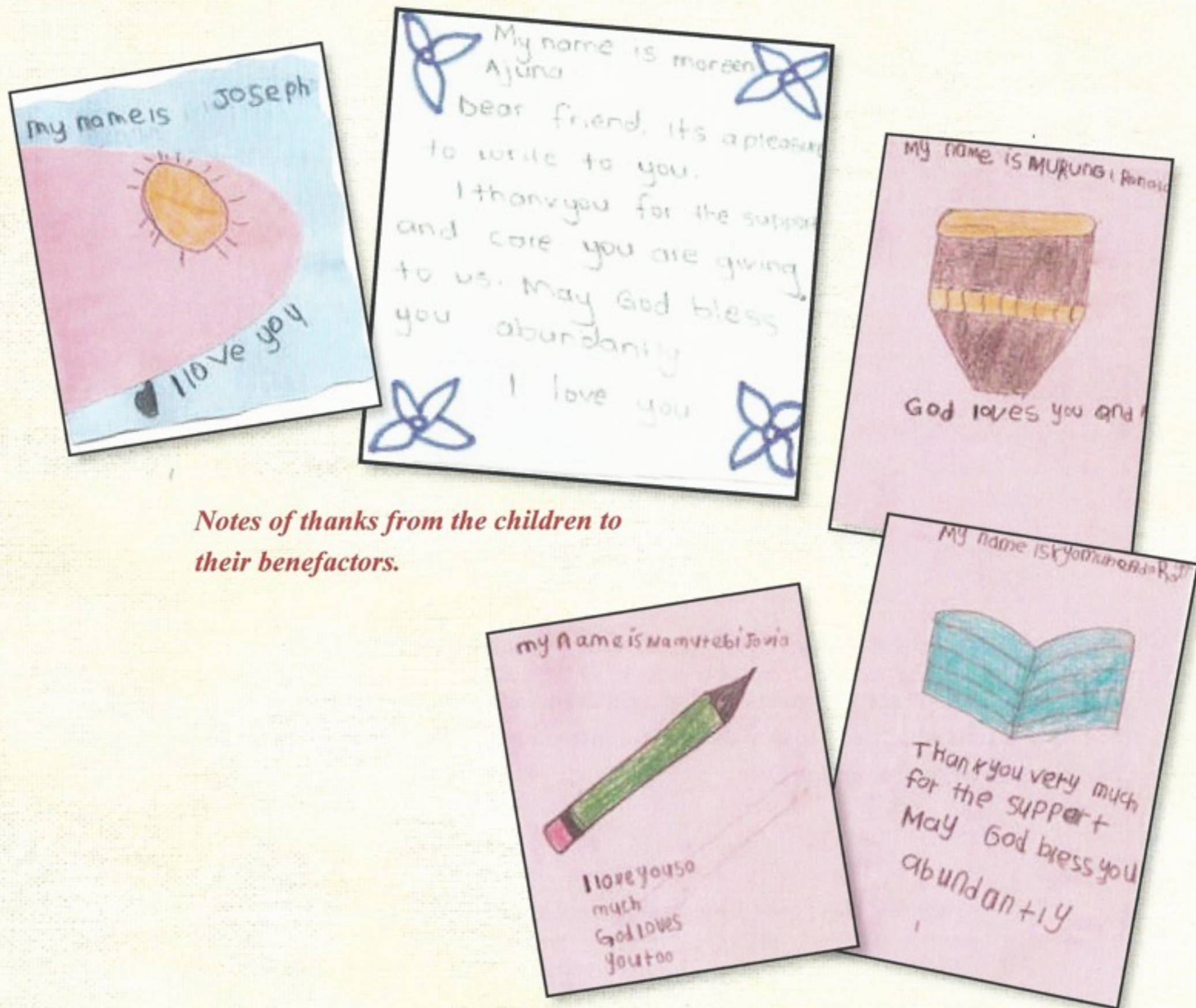


Little acts of **LOVE** can change lives.

I have talked with a number of different congregations and communities in the United States and shared my vision of hope. Many people have come up to me and have said "I want to help, but I don't have much to give. Please take this small donation."

From the small donations, miracles have happened. A Home was built. Children have classrooms. A kitchen and staff house have been constructed. We have a stable food supply through gardens of crops, along with chickens, pigs, and goats. Yes, lives have been changed through these many 'acts of love.'

And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. Colossians 3:14



Notes of thanks from the children to their benefactors.



MUSIC lifts the spirit!

Sometimes, in the evenings, I get my radio and play music for the children.

All of a sudden, I see everyone dancing... children and staff! We sometimes make our own music . We have drums and intend to buy some more instruments, local and modern, to enhance the joy that music brings to the community.

They sing along with drum and lyre, and make merry to the sound of the pipe. Job 21:12



Fr. Charles entertains the children... then they entertain him!



NEEDS provide an opportunity to bless.

On many occasions, I have had benefactors come up to me and thank me for the opportunity to be involved with our mission. It's a bit ironic when the person 'doing the giving' is the one saying 'thanks,' but from working with the children, I am reminded that we are fulfilling not only their needs, but ours as well. Responding to someone in need actually provides blessings in two directions -- it helps the person IN need... and blesses the giver as well.

Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.

Luke 6:38



Photo: Agnieszka Jurczyk



Gathering water is a constant task. Before our water pump and holding tank were installed, families were forced to refill their water vessels continually. Through the generosity of our donors, we are able to provide clean running water for the children.

Above right, children line up to wash their hands before meals. Above left, the community comes together to install the water tank and piping for the school. Below right, students now use the school's new water line to gather water for laundry chores.





OPPORTUNITY can be life changing.

Some of you are familiar with Abraham Maslow. His concept, "Hierarchy of Needs," describes several levels of need, ranging from the most basic - food, shelter and safety - through intermediate levels, such as the need to belong, to the most advanced - achievement, personal growth and fulfillment.

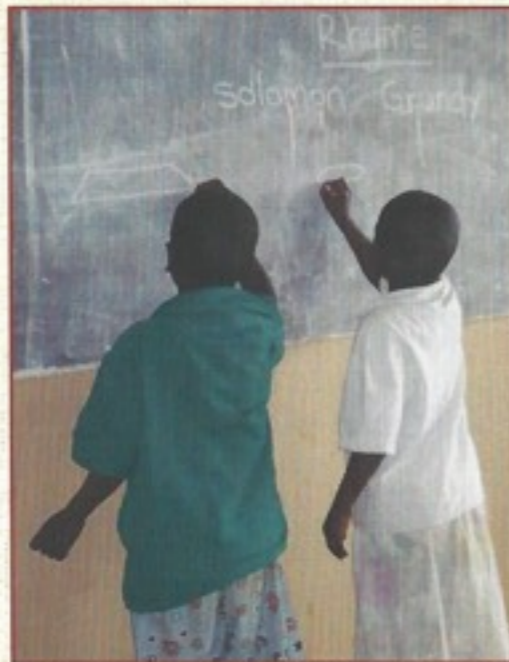
At this phase of our mission, our goal is to return a sense of security and family to the children. Seeing them respond as well as they have gives me hope that the higher levels of need will some day be reached. What a wonder it would be if one or more of these children returned to The Home of the Holy Angels as a doctor, a nurse, a teacher, or a leader! Opportunity can indeed be life changing.

Behold, I make all things new. Revelation 21:5



Photos: Agnieszka Jurczyk

Above, left: Visiting German student Sara Staubach helped set up our first computer class using laptops donated by friends in the United States. This is the first time our students have ever touched a computer!



The educational experience at The Home of the Holy Angels provides early building blocks for success.



POVERTY is a matter of perspective.

After the children arrive at The Home, their lives are transformed. They now have a stable supply of food, clean, running water, and a place to sleep. They feel that they don't need anything more and are happy with what they have.

Contrast that with the perspective in more developed countries, where some may feel impoverished if they do not have enough money for a cell phone or the latest computer game.

Give me neither poverty nor riches; provide me only with the food I need. Proverb 30:8



Photo: Agnieszka Jurczyk

*Enjoying a simple game of kickball
with friends: our Kindergartners gather
for fun after formal lessons.*





QUIET times bring peace to the soul.

In the evenings, after all activities for the day have been completed, we often sit with the children and tell stories before they go to bed. After a long day of studying and playing, it is a nice way to help them wind down. Once the stories are done, we say our prayers together, then are off to bed. This quiet time not only helps to bring calm and order to such a large group of children, but it also gives them time to reflect and be thankful.

Be still and know that I am God! Psalm 46:11



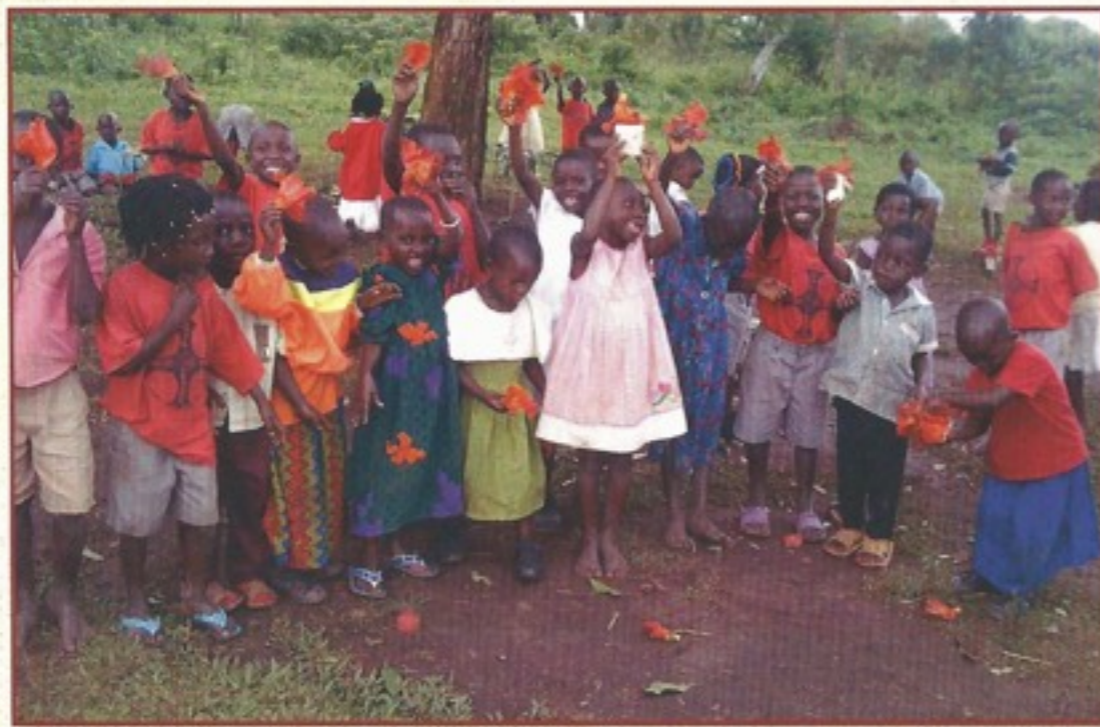
The students are instructed from the very beginning that a strong faith in God and prayer is very important.



RELAXING with friends is a universal joy.

After the studies and chores have been completed, the children have an opportunity to relax. They typically run around, play, and simply enjoy being with each other. As I listen to their conversations, I hear them sharing about the activities of the day, but also where they came from and how difficult things were before they came to The Home of the Holy Angels. Through these times of relaxing and sharing, the children become like family to each other.

Love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Romans 12:10



The children enjoy time together away from life's challenges.



Photo: Agnieszka Jurczyk

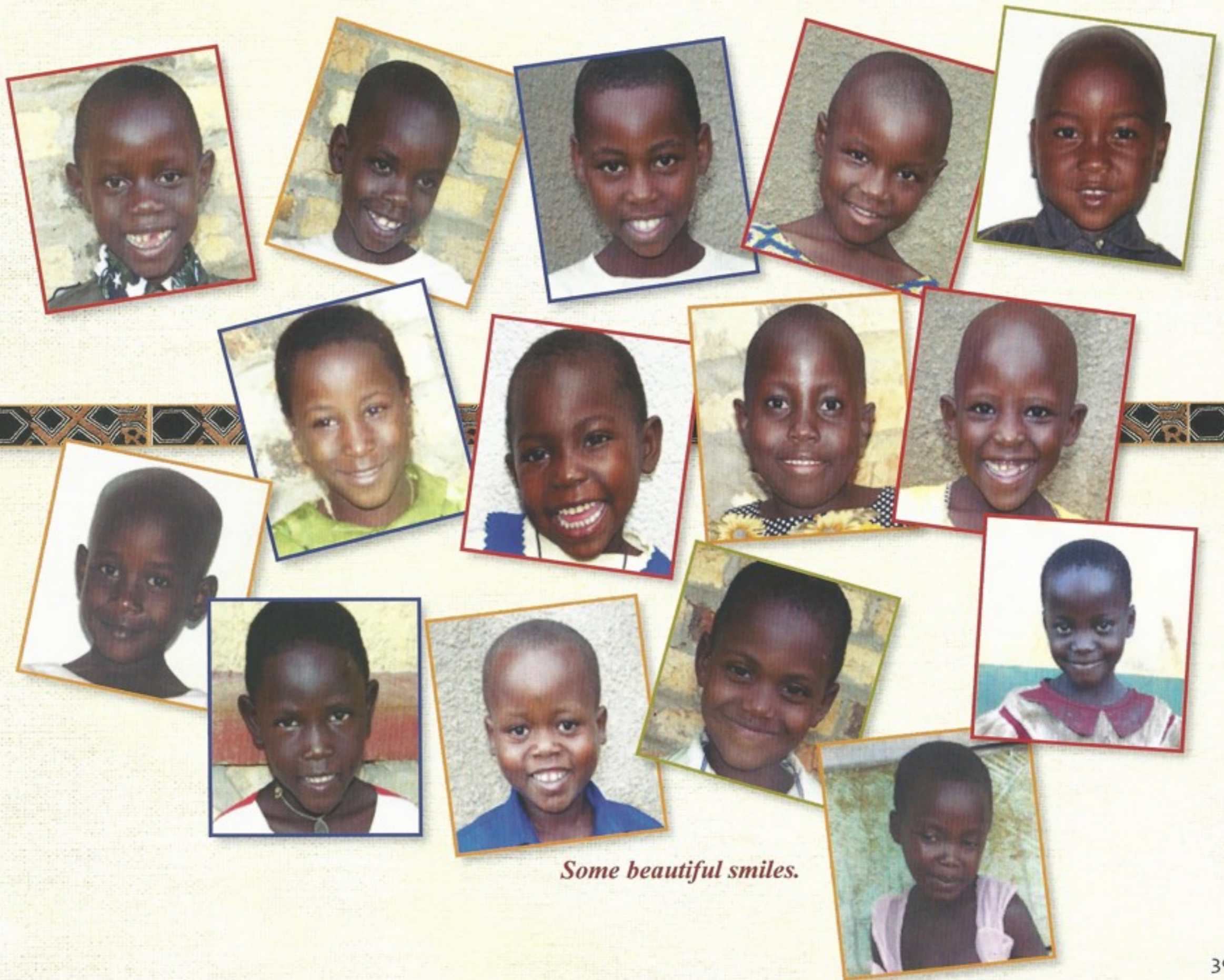


SMILING can help to lighten life's burdens.

It's easy to tell when we have a visitor arrive at The Home of the Holy Angels. You can hear a crescendo build and see the excitement on the faces of the children as they wonder who is coming.

One visitor they are very fond of is a local storekeeper – an Indian gentleman who brings sweets and treats. We also have other visitors from the local community who like to stop by with special treats that the children enjoy. These children and all children bring us God's smile.

A glad heart lights up the face. Proverb 15:13



Some beautiful smiles.



TRUST can be learned again when someone cares for you.

Imagine that you are five years old and belong to a wonderful family. Soon, your father becomes ill, gets progressively worse, then dies. Your family has now lost not only a parent, but also the source of income. Soon after, your mother becomes ill, then also dies, leaving you very much alone. This is not just a story; it is everyday life for many children in Uganda.

Through the generous support of our benefactors, and the creation of The Home of the Holy Angels, we have been able to restore the trust these children lost when they became orphans. Once again, they have a 'family' that loves and cares for them.

There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear. 1 John 4:18



Enjoying time together in dance and song.



UNDERSTANDING bridges gaps and builds new foundations.

When new children come to The Home of the Holy Angels, it's only natural for them to feel apprehensive after all they have been through. We work very hard to make them feel welcome. They see the love and happiness that is a part of our Home. After they arrive, we also give them a uniform and shoes, a hairbrush and a toothbrush, a bed, and food.

Soon they start learning English, which is the language used in schools and business in Uganda. When other children pass by, they tell them how fortunate they are to be here. It breaks my heart that we do not have the financial resources to welcome every child, but with God's grace, we will continue to expand our reach.

Be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. Ephesians 4:32



Photo: Agnieszka Jurczyk

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VICTORY begins with little steps.

When I have time to sit back and relax after a long day, I often think about the future. What will it hold for these children? But I also recognize that our role today is to plant seeds - to take the little steps now that can lead to this 'victory' down the road. So we teach them the importance of clean drinking water and of washing their hands before eating. We teach them table manners and dormitory manners. We educate them and teach them to have respect in the classroom. They learn to sit properly at their desk, keep the classroom clean, and stand when greeting the teacher.

These little steps are essential in forming the foundation for learning, independence and success.

For whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. 1 John 5:4



Fr. Charles with friends from the community and guardians of the children.

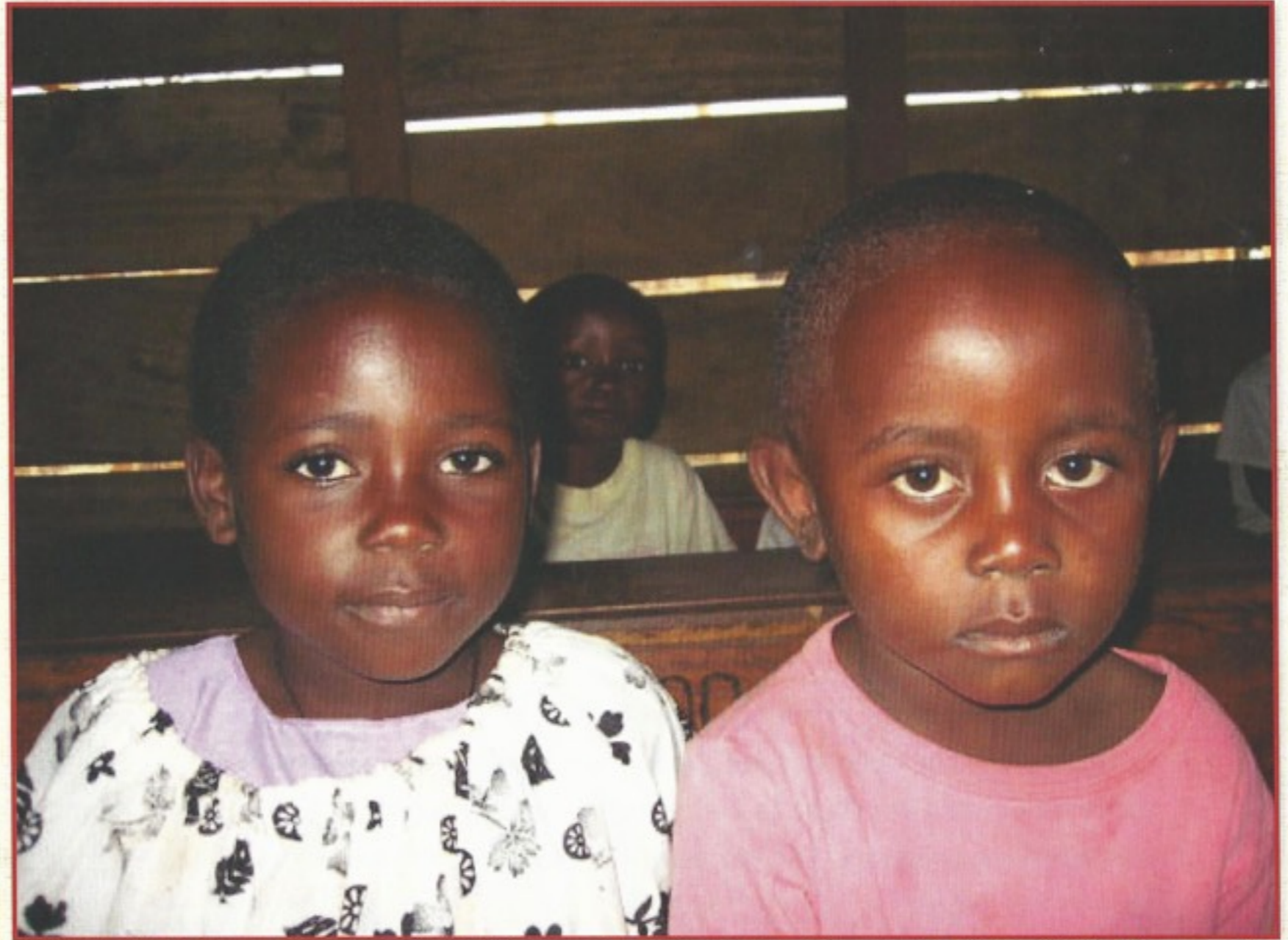


We are all special in the eyes of God.

I know that God loves our children very much, and He loves you in the same way! We are all special to God, regardless of how much we have or how little we have. All of us have a unique set of qualities and skills that God has provided.

Through the generous support of our benefactors, we have been able to help the children reclaim the potential that God placed inside them. All have shown us their uniqueness, their personality, and individuality through their gifts and talents.

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. 1 John 3:1



Friends sitting together at Mass.



eXAMPLES of God's love are seen every day.

There are so many challenges that face us at The Home each day, from the economic and political situation in Uganda, to the need to fund all that we do. Some may see only despair, but I see miracles and God's touch every day. I see Him through our donors who have sacrificed to make our dream become a reality. Through their generosity and support, The Home of the Holy Angels shines like a beacon, announcing that God is present among His people.

I also see God's love through the children. They arrive in such a desperate state... helpless and vulnerable. But within a short time, they are transformed and begin to shine in so many ways.

Defend the lowly and fatherless; render justice to the afflicted and needy. Psalm 82:3

*Elders from the community assemble
for their advisory meeting.*



*Children gather together in song for
morning activities.*



YOUTH are the hope for our future.

Today, we are helping children, but we are also developing leaders for tomorrow. We are teaching the children the skills necessary to make a difference for their future and their community. It starts with learning basic skills for personal improvement: reading, writing, proper nutrition and a balanced diet. Children also learn how to care for our gardens and small animals.

In time, the children will become a light to others, and share what they have learned. People in their villages will begin to see new programs emerging, which will enable more people to be helped. The children we are helping today are our hope for the future.

*Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you,
a prophet to the nations I appointed you. Jeremiah 1:5*



A new day.....a new beginning!



ZZZ - There's nothing like a good night's sleep in your own bed!

What better way to end your day than by saying 'good night!' It is a universal joy to tuck the little ones in bed, read them a story, and watch them sleeping peacefully after a wonderful day of being together.

As you do the same tonight and close your eyes, please whisper a prayer for the children and our mission ... and know that we will give them a hug for you.

When you lie down, you will not be afraid, when you rest, your sleep will be sweet. Proverb 3:24

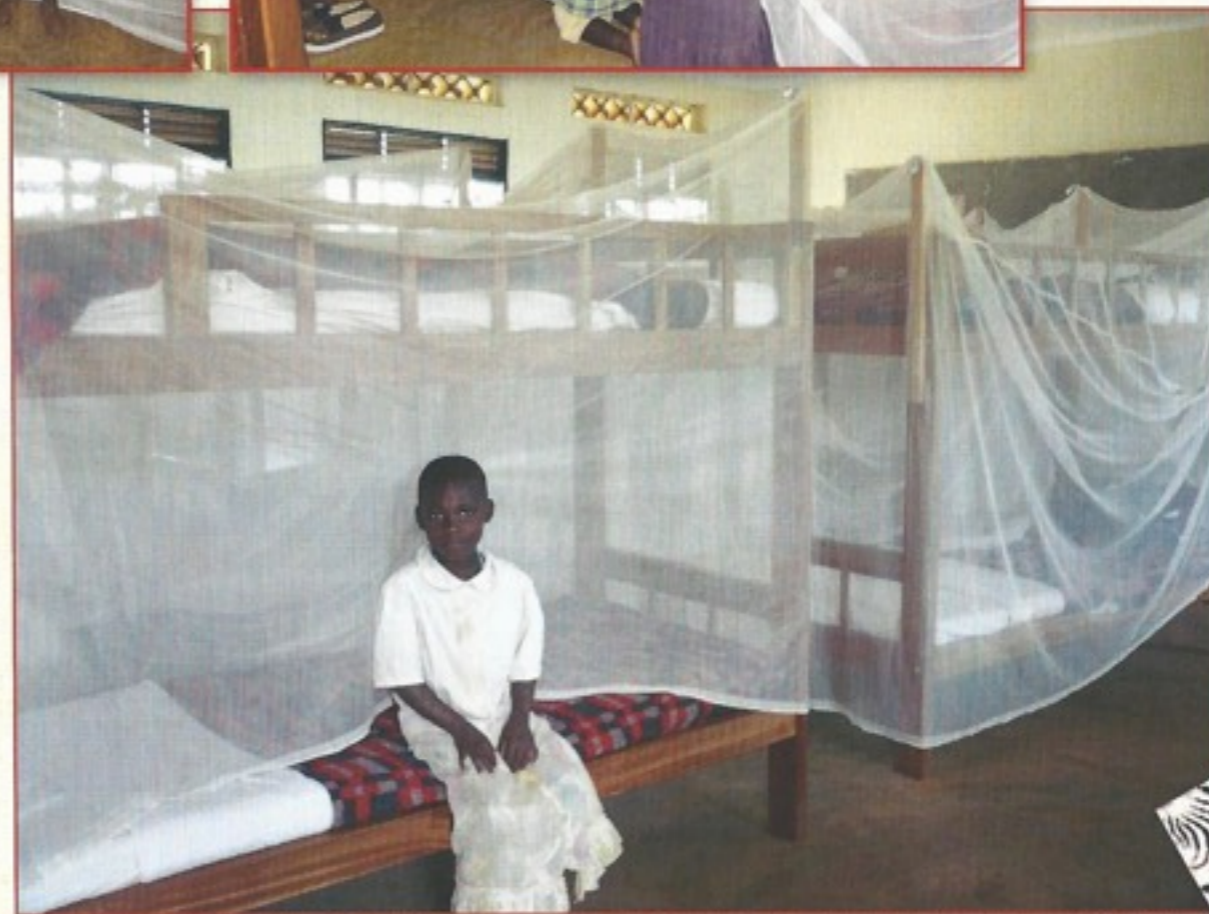


Photo: Agnieszka Jurczyk

Dormitories at The Home of the Holy Angels give children a safe, home-like environment.



Afterword

Thank you for joining me on this journey and learning more about The Home of the Holy Angels. My hope is that the lessons of life and hope outlined in this book will be an inspiration and a blessing to you and your family. When you think about it, these lessons are not just about Uganda; they also apply right where you are now.

Each of us has a tremendous opportunity to make a difference in others' lives, even in our own families – encouraging those without hope, seeing potential and helping them reach for the stars, or just being there to listen when someone is lonely and hurting.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke so eloquently of this when she said, "There is a terrible hunger for love. We all experience that in our lives - the pain, the loneliness. We must have the courage to recognize it. The poor you may have right in your own family. Find them. Love them. Before you speak, it is necessary for you to listen, for God speaks in the silence of the heart. Speak tenderly to them. Let there be kindness in your face, in your eyes, in your smile, in the warmth of your greeting. Always have a cheerful smile. Don't only give your care, but give your heart as well."

Mother Teresa reminds us, "Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin." It is my prayer that many will join us as we rebuild lives and hope. I cannot do it alone. But with God's love and your help, we can accomplish much.

Let us begin!

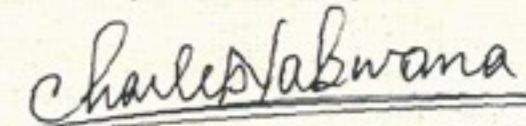


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Finally, my heart-felt gratitude to Mark Thompson who serves as the administrator of KUDU and has given of himself personally for KUDU. His drive and focus keeps us organized and moving forward. We hope ***The Children of Uganda*** serves to both inspire you and bring the lives of others to your attention.

For more information on The Home of the Holy Angels, please visit: www.helpkibale.org/lessons

May God bless you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles Nabwana". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

Fr. Charles Nabwana





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