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The success of the Parrot and Pig night combined with an auction earlier this year in March exceeded all expectations. I would like to express a huge “thank you” to all the musicians in Eddie and the Parrots and No Strings Attached, to the local businesses and the individuals who donated gifts, services and meals for inclusion in the auction. The evening raised £2221.25p, which was astonishing!



It is with some sadness that I write this latest newsletter as I had expected to be making my 10th anniversary visit to Uganda in June this year. Many of you may know that on account of a recently diagnosed medical condition I’m not well enough to make the journey, however I’m grateful to Bill, Gloria and Julia Reeves who will be spending 3 weeks at the school from 17th July this year. During this time they will take a new photograph of every sponsored child and bring back a handwritten letter from each child for their sponsor. They will also obtain the personal stories and take a photograph of a further 24 children for whom Annet has asked me to find a sponsor. Julia will be taking with her fresh medical supplies which have been donated by the International Aid Trust for Nurse Christine.

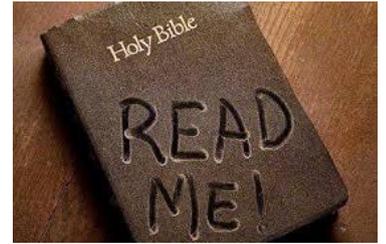
At present both Godfrey and Annet are in the USA awaiting medical treatment and in their absence the affairs of the school and orphanage are being run by the management committee that Godfrey would normally chair. In October this year, and as a trustee of NHfA(UK), Steve Lowe will be visiting Kampala to spend time with Annet and Godfrey to discover more about the progress and successes that the work has achieved over the last 10 years. It is hoped he can produce a short video to record the many substantial improvements that have taken place during this time and to interview some of the pupils who have benefited from the education they have received.



Steve also plans to take out T-shirts, plain blue round necked for 6-12 years old children and similar plain red ones for young people 12-18 years of age. A donation of a little as £1.55 will buy one T shirt or if you would like to donate specific items then can I suggest toothbrushes and over the counter medications such as pain killers, anti-diarrhoea treatments, anti-histamine tablets, plasters and bandages. It is not practical to take liquids or ointments, soaps or toothpastes.



This year it is hoped to be able to distribute bibles written in Lugandan, which is one of the major languages spoken in Uganda. They can be bought locally from the Bible Society in Kampala and Godfrey and Pastor Jimmy would distribute them to the appropriate individuals. If you would like to take part in this distribution please mark your donation "Lugandan" Bibles and Steve will use this money specifically to purchase bibles when he visits later this year.



The latest financial year for NHfA(UK) ended in May and the donations received during the past 12 months amounted to £33,786. I am personally grateful to everyone who helped make this possible and wish God's blessings on you for your generosity. Included in this figure is the money raised by Phil Lake who rode his bicycle 140 miles from Whitehaven on the west coast, to Sunderland on the east coast of England over the May bank holiday.

A new trustee has recently joined Pat, Sue, Steve and I. Maxene Kidman will be helping maintain and develop the child sponsorship program for which there are 83 children currently sponsored. If you would like to know more about how you can take part in this program please contact me on this email address and you can read the profiles of some of the children on our website www.newhopeforafrica.org.uk or Facebook page.

Please try and keep September 6th 2014 free as this is the date we will be holding our annual Cream Tea. The event begins at 2pm in The King's Church, 2 Drummond Road Thornton, Liverpool L23 9YP and the trustees will present the annual review of the work and the Reeves family will provide an update following their visit in July.

Thank you so much for all your continued support,

Jean Swain

Chair of Trustees for New Hope for Africa (UK)



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