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It is most appropriate to begin this newsletter with the message of condolence from the directors, teaching staff and pupils at the New Hope for Africa Community Development Foundation which they asked to be passed on to the friends and family of the late Jean Swain and to everyone who supports New Hope for Africa (UK).

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

The Directors, children and staff of New Hope Uganda have learnt with great sadness the passing of our loving mum JEAN SWAIN. Our condolences go to the church members of her church the KINGS CHURCH and her family. In our hearts, our mum Jean Swain is irreplaceable. The children of new hope whose lives she made much better. She gave them education, food and guidance. She was indeed their mum. To the staff of New Hope she provided inspiration and support both spiritually and materially. Thank you mum Jean Swain. Believers' church Uganda, mummy Jean Swain thank you for your support. I remember your constant smile and encouragement and support to me. Thank you mum Jean.



We thank God for the gift of Jean Swain to us. Our lives will forever be better because of our Mum Jean Swain. She was indeed our mummy both the children and staff. Mummy Jean's life will live on through the children and staff and Directors of New Hope. May her soul rest in peace. She will forever be in our prayers. Kindly deliver this message to church members, to family, to work mates and friends and all who knew our loving mum Jean Swain.

For and on behalf of Directors, the children and staff of New Hope Uganda

Dr. Pascal Mugisha-Programme Coordinator



Money raised at the 1970's Retro Evening and Charity Auction in May has resulted in solar panels now appearing on a number of the roofs of the classrooms and dormitories to provide much needed lighting for evening studies. A further significant donation through Cutting Edge Ministries made it possible for the school to be powered by its own electricity generator. Both improvements are helping to reduce the monthly energy bills. The trustees would also like to thank Mission 24 for a generous donation that was received at the same time and this was used to provide much needed additional food. Thank you for every donation which made all this possible.

Widespread deforestation in Uganda has resulted in the cost of wood rising dramatically. Wood and charcoal are the most widely used fuels for cooking. The school spends around £200/ month on wood and this amount is increasing dramatically. Godfrey has seen demonstrated a solar powered alternative and he hopes we may be able to help fund at some point in the near future and has had a quotation for the system which totals £4,000.



During July and August this year Bill, Gloria and Julia Reeves were able to spend three weeks at the school during which time they were able to take an up to date photograph of all sponsored children and have them write a short note to their sponsors who should by now have received them. A number of sponsored children had left the school and we are grateful for the understanding of those sponsors who have agreed to support another child. This brings the total of sponsored children to 95. There are 532 children registered to attend school of which 302 are boarders and for over 100 children the school is also their home.



At the time of the visit Godfrey Kayongo explained how the building constructed last year as a Kindergarten had now become the new laboratory facility and a school exam room in order to avoid the expense of students sitting science exams at another school. Work had already begun to build a new Kindergarten and

with the donations from St Andrews the building was completed, toys and desks were purchased and then the building was fittingly named as the St Andrews Block.



With other donations Bill, Gloria and Julia had received it was possible for them to give out a variety of items to the children which included toothbrushes, shoes, mattresses and a variety of medical and personal hygiene products. Gloria has requested that you consider donating reading spectacles that are no longer need along with wool as she has been teaching the children knitting skills and the wool would be put to good use.

At the annual review on September 5th Julia showed a short video of their visit which will soon be available to view through the website, so keep looking. Also on that afternoon Sue Jarett presented the financial report for the last 12 months which showed total giving over the 12 month period ending at the end of May 2015 amounting to £35,603.

The trustees would like to thank everyone who made a donation in memory of Jean and you can be confident that those gifts will be used to support the work of New Hope which had become an integral part of her life.

Thanks for your continuing support.

Steve, Pat, Sue and Maxene – trustees NHfA(UK)



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