

Mama Jane Newsletter.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR 2014.

I wish to once again take this pleasure of introducing yet another edition of our newsletter. This is a special way of passing on our news and information to the friends all over the world.

At the close of 2014, Mama Jane has been fine and also the children and we have not faced any major challenge with the Children at Mama Jane.

I wish to appreciate all the staff who have ensured that the children are cared for and provided for them.

I wish to thank all the friends



of the home for the contribution made towards ensuring that the home performs all the activities for the children.

I also wish to thank the grown up children who have always remembered that Mama Jane C.C.C. is their home and have decided to form a group to help others still within the institution through Counseling.

Little donations towards the upkeep of the children, May the Almighty God Bless them.

We have also faced several challenges this ending year but thank God we have managed to overcome all the challenges and also didn't forsake the children in any way.

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CHILDREN ACTIVITIES .

The children of Mama Jane have participated in different activities both with in Jinja or outside Jinja, the children participated in the charity walk organized by AAPCANN Uganda Chapter to promote the rights of the girl child most of whom are also residents at the

Centre, they were awarded a certificate of attendance by the Leaders of Jinja Municipal.

We were also blessed to be visited by Germa Kneepen and Vennessa from Holland, these are friends from Holland and wanted to share a moment

with the children, they took the children to the Uganda Wild Life Education Centre in Entebbe and spent the whole day looking the Animals, Snakes, birds and even plants.

They children and the Visitors had a lovely time together.

ORPHAN CRISIS.

Despite the different complaints about the orphan crisis, more and more people still come in with problems of Orphans at the Centre, the situation seems to be getting worse even after the HIV/AIDS rate is reducing, more diseases are coming up and killing the Ugandans. Recently Ebola and Marburg are on the rise in Africa and claiming the lives of many Uganda.

Leaving the diseases on the other side, even natural death is worsening the Orphan problem, many lives are being lost and the option is now the institutions which are also facing a big challenge, many of the donors are long dead while others are also facing the economic crisis so donations are less year after year, this is affecting the way the services are being delivered to the chil-

dren but we are trying to ensure that we provide the best services possible to the children even with the limited resources available to us.

We are thinking of scaling down the services and also some of the staff members who aren't very active with the children so we can reduce on the operational cost at Mama Jane Children Care Centre.



The administrator with a gentle man who is faced with the orphan crisis of twins.

GROWN UP CHILDREN.



The grown up children with the matron

Mama Jane has nurtured so many children, we were blessed to be visited by some of the grown up children, they mobilized many of the other children, they counseled the children, ate and prayed with them, it was so colorful for Mama Jane Children and the administrator encouraged and urged them to keep the spirit of togetherness.

The Grown Up children also through Alexandra and Mr. Lenz mobilized funds and acquired a piece of land for the grown up destitute children, this will help them with shelter before they can start a life of their own, this is a great achievement for the home and the children, they now have a home after Mama Jane Home.

MAMA JANE VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL

The dream of having a Vocational Centre for Mama Jane is underway, so far the foundation is done and we are moving further to the wall, we are to set up one unit and the rest will be accomplished after,

Great thanks to Jill and Ian

for the help rendered, we request any other friends of the home to come in and help achieve this noble goal and landmark.

The Vocational Centre will reduce on the dependency burden and also achieve self reliance for the child with the

necessary skills, "don't give fish to some one, teach them how to fish" is our slogan for the Vocational Training Centre, we want them to get it for themselves rather than getting paper knowledge without experience, so that's our dream. Moving slowly yet reaching very far.

O B I T U A R Y A N D S A D H A P P E N I N G S 2 0 1 4

The Home has experienced several sad events, we have had so many grown up children but few come back or even help the home.

Last month the home lost one of the very first grown up children, the Late James Balidawa who was operating a Garage in Jinja succumbed to high blood pressure, we surely lost a very important friend and son. May his Soul Rest in Eternal Peace.

We also lost one of our daughters in the Nursery School, she was a lovable

and Jolly child. She succumbed to leukemia, it was such a bad experience for the other children in the Nursery school, we lit a candle for them so God can have mercy on them.

The home has also experienced more sad events, we had fire explosion in the immediate neighborhood, it was such a terrifying moment for the children and us the staff.

The home also was attacked by Thieves who robbed cooking sauce pans, metallic beach and Nursery

chairs in the wee hours of the night, it was such a setback that even now not even a single trace of the stolen property has been seen anywhere.

D E V E L O P M E N T A N D N E W A C T I V I T I E S .

The home has been blessed with different new projects being undertaken by the friends of the home, for a long time the Kitchen has been in a bad state, it has been without a store, good energy saving stoves and also emitting a lot of smoke which has been a threat to the lives of the children and the cook.

With the help of the Jinja Education Trust, Mama Jane has been offered a brand new Kitchen with first class facilities and also a smoke free environment, this Kitchen will be opened before December, special thanks to all the friends of Jinja Education Trust for this great donation, we shall forever cook remembering you.



The New Kitchen under construction

E D U C A T I O N

I am glad to inform you that this ending year, all the children have been educated and also passed to the next level.

Despite the financial challenges faced currently, the Home has managed to secure funds to help the children attain some knowledge in the schools.

The ever changing costs of

school fees and also extra fees impacts so much on the other activities of the children, this money is not part of the school fees and also its not standard because different schools have different charges.

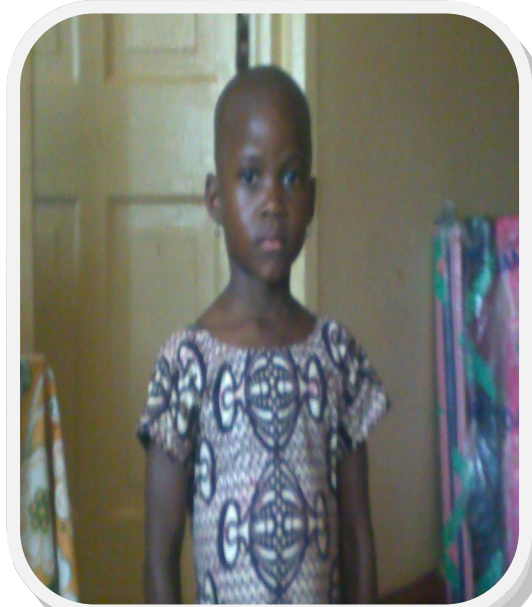
This ending year, 2 students will graduate as high school teachers from Kyambogo and also 3 from Y.M.C.A , 4 children

have finished their Primary 7, 4 children have also finished their senior 4 while 2 sat for the Senior 6, we pray they achieve their dreams.

4 children graduated from Nursery School and are to attend primary level very soon.

I am glad and happy because I have made an impact in their lives, Education is the only gift a parent can ever give a child.

CHILDREN STORIES



Nakato Nakanwagi and Wasswa Muwoge Kasozi are the new set of twins, they were admitted this year on a temporary basis as their care plan is developed. Their Father is mentally insane and infected with HIV and their mother is infected too but very helpless, their father abandoned them with no food and shelter, they are in Mama Jane for Care and Protection.

They are in Mama Jane Nursery School in Middle Class, they are Jolly and Friendly.

They Love playing and singing.

