

# Mama Jane Newsletter.

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## Special points of interest:

- ♦ “With out special friends, our dream would have not been achieved.....”
- ♦ A Home for Everyone is a Human and Basic Right to all.
- ♦ Poverty and Disease the leading cause of Orphanhood.

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## Mama Jane Day.

What started as a normal day of celebration has now gotten more attention as more and more children have embraced it, 2016 wasn't exceptional, Auntie Agnes was surprised with a get to gather celebration in gayaza....

The grown up children together with Peter Benders Organized a party where Agnes was the guest of Honor.

The young children of Mama Jane Children were also not left behind as it was a time for merry.

All the children have decided that the legacy of Mama Jane be maintained and that the brotherhood and sisterhood be strengthened.

The children also thanked the

friends of the home for the continued support which has seen Auntie Agnes support more and more children non still the grown up children acknowledged friends like Mariska, Esther, Frits, Alexandra, Herke and Marry, Ian Sanderson, Jill and others.

*“With out such friendship, so many dreams would have not been achieved”*

The children also in a special thanked Peter Benders who has not only sponsored them but gone ahead to provide Jobs to the grown up children . He has more than 8 children on his Flower Farm and more are to join since he pledged to help more, thank you Peter Benders.

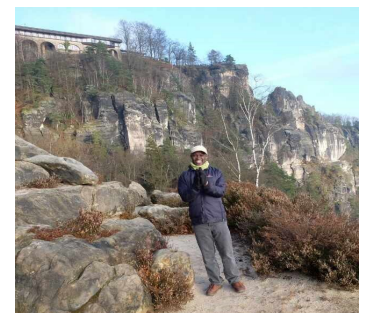


**Above is Peter Benders and Auntie Agnes and down is the portrait given as a gift.**

## External Link and Partners.

Early this year, we witnessed what seemed to be a dream, through some of our partners, one child from Mama Jane Children Care Centre managed to travel to Germany in an exchange program with Aterfact and Bicycle sponsorship project. Peter

Mugulusi who is to spend a year in Germany is the first child to travel on an exchange program, this is a chance for him and Mama Jane to show case some skills and ideas, we wish him the best as he travels and also makes friends in Germany. Special thank to



**Atefact. Above is Peter**



The Administrator together with the children who are being reunited with an uncle. Extreme left is a a colleague from ANPCANN.

## Making Families and not Orphans

Many times children are in Orphanages and yet they belong to Families. Nakato and Wasswa a set of twins were referred to Mama Jane Children Care Centre by ANPCANN a child focused Organisation in Jinja for Care and Protection. The Father of the children abandoned responsibility thus the children were left with no option. These children

were rescued by police which also requested Mama Jane Children Care Centre to help, we managed to trace for the immediate relative who was an uncle and through the continuous Counselling and assessments, he accepted to take on the responsibility. These children are fine and now back to school, the uncle was given some items like clothes and also school fees for year as it was his challenge being that he had some more children. Nakato

and Wasswa are now in a new Family and Mama Jane is the secondary Family for them. we make families and not Orphans. More and more children are also joining the Family support system such that they can grow up in a family settling rather than Institution. *Its every child's right to belong to a family.*

*"Poverty is the lead problem for the Parents leading to many children being vulnerable and orphaned"*

## Parent's Day.....

We have embarked on sensitizing the parents, Guardians and even next of kin. All the children with a next of kin are allowed to spend holidays with them to enable the children and guardians to bond, this also allows the children to get exposed to the environment outside Mama Jane and also the other relatives to recognize the

child, after the holidays we hold seminars or meetings to sensitize them and encourage them to embrace responsibility and also take a lead in the affairs of the children. We have also encouraged them to join saving schemes to avert poverty and disease since poverty is a major problem in Uganda now. Many parents requested for a boost in

the saving scheme but with the little income Mama Jane couldn't help but we referred them to join saving schemes in the various villages. We have also informed them that more and more children are going to join Family Support while others will be reunited soon.

## Changing Lives...



Above is an article about Mama Jane and Auntie Agnes.

The Daily monitor on women's day recognized several women who have dedicated their lives to helping the community, this also included the selfless effort to support the children especially the vulnerable. Mama Jane Children Care Centre has been recognized several times for com-

ing in to support children in the community. All the praises goes to the stakeholders for always being their for Mama Jane Children Care Centre.

## Projects—Early Childhood Centre....

The Early Childhood Centre is one of the few projects which has continuously extended Mama Jane Children Care Centre to the outside world. It has not only provided a side income but also exposed the Organization to so many people. Many parents have appreciated the role of Mama Jane. we have managed to get a partnership with the KDG college in Belgium which sends students to Mama Jane Children Care Centre to exchange skills and

Knowledge. This year alone has seen massive change to Mama Jane. The students have gone an extra mile to also educate the staff about the best practices for child care. They have also occupied the guest house thus bringing in more income to the home. We have also embarked on licensing the Nursery as a requirement to run or operate a Nursery, before it was only for the children in the Organization but this means that more and more children from outside can

join in, study, play with the children in home. We also have some children in the community who are orphaned and the immediate need is education, we have extended the support though the children are meant to stay in the communities with their guardians. There are so many needy children and we can not support all of them.



*Maurice is an orphan who was left with the grandmother but she is also diagnosed with Cancer and she is not working anymore ,maurice is among the many children enrolled to receive education in the Nursery.....*

## Life after Mama Jane Centre.

Growing up in Uganda is not the same as in other countries and it gets worse with children from the Institutions, as they lack shock absorbers, influential social network. After life in Mama Jane, the children struggle a lot and the major challenge for most of the children is where to start from. Through

Alexandra, she managed to find a friend who secured a place for the grown up children and he has also managed to renovate the house, though not complete the idea developed by Alexandra is a great job. The grown up children now have a home especially for some who don't have anyone at all.



*A Home for everyone  
is a human and  
Basic right right to  
all, special thanks to  
Alexandra for the  
idea of helping the  
grown up children.*

## Visitors and New Friends....

The India High Commissioner to Uganda celebrated Happy Mahatma Gandhi Day with the children of Mama Jane Children Care Centre. He was entertained by the children. He was also given a shopping bag made by the children from the sugar bags. He was in company with

all the Indian Leaders and Indians in Jinja.

The Uganda People's Defense Forces together with Save the children also visited Children. They had a training on the welfare of the children especially Orphans, Mama Jane was the first point of contact...



*The Indian High Commission in Brown receiving a Kakira Shopping bag as the Administrator looks on*



*The U.P.D.F officers having a light moment with the children.*



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**Photo Gallery....**



*Happy Mahatma Ghandi Day Celebrations at Mama Jane Children Care Centre.*



*Career Guidance to the children by the People in Uniform together with Save the Children.*