



Newsletter August to December 2017

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Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Supporters of Kyosiga Community Christian Association for Development (KACCAD), we are grateful for your continued support of our community development efforts. KACCAD is pleased to have expanded our programming from the Wakiso and Gomba Districts to the Bukomansimbi District. We are providing effective interventions, support and guidance to more than ½ million people and couldn't have done it without our valuable partners at home and abroad. We are proud to work with a wide variety of stakeholders, as we meet the ongoing needs of vulnerable populations. Read more below about the contributions of our primary partners: LTBLI, IHI, Rotary, ABV, Professor Bridget Baird and others. Together as One

We wish you and your family a happy and prosperous Lunar New Year!

Let There Be Light International and KACCAD Light Thousands of Homes

Let There Be Light International (LTBLI) and KACCAD distributed 1,645 safe solar lights in Wakiso, Gomba and Bukomansimbi in 2017. Beneficiaries included new mothers, school children, the elderly, and people living with disabilities. More than 8,883 people are benefitting from these distributions. The lights will last for 3-5 years and will save each family an average of \$150-200 over the lifespan of the light, a return on investment (ROI) of more than 10 times the cost of a distributed light. Primary benefits include improved health, safety, wellbeing, educational impacts and economic stability. LTBLI and KACCAD also solar-electrified 6 off-grid health clinics in the Gomba District, impacting the health care access and delivery for more than 75,000 people. Impacts of the solar-electrification projects include expanded hours of service, attended births rates (up 200%), increased number of patients treated per week (up 40%) and improved staff retention rates and on-time medical reporting. Please visit www.lettherebelightinternational.org for more information

In October, KACCAD was pleased to host LTBLI Executive Director, Sarah Baird, for her annual site visits. Ms. Baird was able to inspect solar-electrified health clinics, meet with district health officials, and visit individual beneficiaries in Wakiso and Bukomansimbi. She also hosted a retreat with KACCAD staff and planned future programming.



IHI International Support Vital Health Interventions for Children with neurological and physical challenges

IHI provided crucial medical care for several critically ill children over the past 4 months. In September 2017, Farouk Kasumba, a 6-month-old boy living with hydrocephaly was operated on and treated at Cure Hospital. He is doing well. In November 2017, James Kyomugisha, an 8-year-old child from the Hoima District living with hydrocephaly, received help from IHI. Kirabo Shirat, a 3-month-old child living with hydrocephaly from Kawempe, Kampala District also received care at Mbale Cure Hospital. Finally, Jane Nabyoto, a 17-year-old girl with a severe bone abnormality, was sponsored by IHI International and Gogonya community members to receive leg prosthesis at CORSU Hospital. <http://ihiinternational.org/>

Donation to Good Hope Children Foundation

Miss. Hollie Lorentz of Canada provided a donation to Good Hope Children Foundation for the purchase of two windows for the new school building. Ms Hollie in December organized a fundraiser and successfully raised funds for procuring and installing other two windows for the new classroom. The School is grateful for this improvement. Courtney Seiler and Derrick Seiler made a donation through Abroaderview to KACCAD and its affiliate orphanage Good Hope Children Foundation.

Faith Children Foundation Christmas party

On 12th December 2017, We were grateful for a donation made by Courtney Fog Henritze and Tyler Henritze to sponsor Faith Children Foundation Christmas party. The party was organized on 24th December and was attended by 120 children and guardians. Kids entertained the attendees and had a lot of food and fun. The couple also sent along monies to the mother of Patience, a child they sponsor, to purchase gifts for Patience and other kids in her family.



Solar Health Uganda

KACCAD and its primary partner in development, Let There Be Light International, launched a new initiative “Solar Health Uganda” to promote their effective and efficient solar intervention model in off-grid communities and among other NGOs and social service organizations. Solar Health Uganda will provide pro-bono and other consultancy services to encourage others to incorporate a clean energy perspective in their current programming models in order to combat extreme energy poverty in Uganda. Check out Solar Health Uganda and support its activities www.solarhealthuganda.org

KACCAD Family Planning and Reproductive Health Program

The KACCAD Family Planning and Reproductive Health Project was blessed with a grant to further its goal of reaching a sustainable level while providing free family planning. The funds support the KACCAD pharmacy which in turn uses part of its proceeds to purchase and distribute contraceptives and to facilitate services at Kavule Medical Center and at KACCAD Medical Center. Thousands of poor women and men have received counseling and free contraceptives through this project.

Sponsorship of OVC'S in our communities

Hannah Kraus has taken up sponsorship of Nakiwoneka Charise a 12 year old girl.

We are very grateful to each one of our student sponsors in Sweden, Hong Kong, USA and Germany. Nothing is more rewarding than giving an underprivileged child a chance to stay in school.

KACCAD is looking for sponsors to more 30 OVC's in this coming year. We appreciate your willingness to take up sponsorship of any of these kids. Drop a line to kyosigacommunity@gmail.com

KACCAD Website maintenance

KACCAD extends thanks to Alan Bradley for his ongoing assistance with paying annual fees for KACCAD website domain. www.volunteerkaccad.org

**Yours in development
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KACCAD Executive Director