



Staff and parents of Good Shepherd on an exposure trip to a school in Mbarara



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STAFF & Students

We are glad for all our staff who have kept both Good Shepherd Kindergarten and Primary School as well as KSVS moving. They are a dedicated and hard working team.

We have been organizing retreats and exposure visits for them to learn and sharpen their competences in classroom delivery and we hope to take some of them on refresher courses so they can become better.

We also host Bible conferences for our students to grow in the fear of the Lord and be disciplined. We have conferences usually in January and in July. These are also moments for career guidance and counselling from professionals in different fields who come and interact with students.



A center of transformation at the heart of mid-western Uganda

Good Shepherd Kindergarten & Primary school



Success in the culinary and hotel management training

FARMING THAT TRANSFORMS SOCIETY



STEM CENTER *Dedication*

With much of the finishing work done on the STEM Center, our hope is that in the fall of 2020, possibly March, we'll have a moment to dedicate the Center and celebrate this landmark achievement in our community. We gladly invite you to be a part of us as we prepare for and dedicate this Technology Center at the heart of rural Uganda.



STEM CENTER views



GOOD SHEPHERD
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MISSION:
To be responsible citizen through quality education

A stable foundation

Good Shepherd Kindergarten and Primary School will this year for a third time do national examinations (PLE) that enables children to go from Primary to secondary level. It's a sign of progress and we thank God. We continually encourage the students to acquire a vocational skill in addition to the academic paper such that they can be self-reliant whether they go up to university or for some reason fail to make it that far. The school was set up to give the children a values-based foundation to learning and life. With growing numbers, we are looking to increase the classroom space as well as set up for the pupils a Library and computer lab separate from the Secondary section. Below is a picture of sponsored students





SAVING ON *Energy*

The center for Culinary and hospitality training has had tremendous impact on the community with our students emerging stars in major Ugandan hotels where they do internship. We are even setting up a restaurant at the Inspiration Center a couple kilometers away from the school on the Highway to help the students gain experience in hospitality. We are also setting up charcoal and firewood ovens to save on power and gas costs. Besides, it's a more affordable oven if the students were to engage in production in the community.

FARMING FOR *Transformation*

Having done several pilots in agriculture, we believe that it is the way to go to empower our community for improved livelihoods, food security and increased household income. We have had successful pilots for Upland Rice, Coffee and have now established gardens that for the moment are intercropped with bananas. We also have stocked fish ponds and separate banana plantations. We now look to establish a dairy unit that will supply milk to the school. This agriculture is the antidote to the scourge of malnutrition in our community. Many of our children are disabled mentally because of malnutrition. We also hope to use the health unit at the school to sensitize the community on proper feeding and balanced diets for healthy living.



A BLESSING OF *Graduations*

Overtime, we have had several of our former students graduate from universities and other tertiary institutions. We are even seeing some excell with first class degrees. Glory to God! We believe that every support that affords our former students a chance at tertiary education especially for those academically bright but needy students is surely worth it. May the Lord continue to bless all who are making this a reality, giving these students hope.



Fish ponds at the school. Above, coffee gardens transplanted with bananas



We are seeing a promising future!

It's a dozen years since we launched the work of transforming the Kamwenge community through offering holistic education and giving hope to the people.

What we see now is a ray of hope for a people who are now eagerly reaching out to embrace education not only as an alternative way to a brighter future but as the only way to achieve it. We see it in some of our former students who have gone through

tertiary institutions coming back to their community, serving as teachers at school, or taking on several trades to serve to the community.

We are seeing parents sending their children to school and trying their hand at small scale commercial agriculture from a lifestyle of hopelessness or pure subsistence farming.

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at University level and others taking leadership. We see them going ahead to serve in the Ugandan military force, the Police, in private organizations as well as in businesses.

We believe that in a period of ten or so years of sustained effort in the community, we'll be able to raise a self reliant people who are food secure, healthy and even progressively influencing the other communities around them.

Our gratitude is immeasurable when we see these things. We are thankful for all our partners and friends who have made this story of transformation a reality.



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