

MIRYANTE COMMUNITY CENTRE

FEBRUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

SAVING THE WORLD ONE CHILD AT A TIME

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of Miryante Community Centre,

We greet you and hope that our newsletter finds you well. All the children are happy and healthy, and they send their greetings! They always appreciate the unceasing support you always render to them and their foster families. They thank you for the love, care and kindness. Your efforts, support and donation has caused a powerful and transformative effect on their lives.

As they come to the end of the long holiday, they are all prepared and happy to report back to their respective schools, as they know that education is the key to a successful future. Please enjoy updates about some of the activities that took place in the due month.

Thank you,

WITH CHRIST,
DOREEN TIGAH



Program Updates

◆ Centre Days

As usual, every Saturday is Centre Day. We meet our children and interact with them on different ideas, discuss issues they face at homes and school. It's always fun because we also participate in different activities such as gardening, storytelling, singing and dancing. We also have time for games and sports where our children interact and compete with each other on

different games. This continues to be at the heart of Miryante's services in our community.



◆ Construction:

Construction of our administration block and an emergency home for our children is ongoing; the kitchen and two store block have reached on the wall plate whereas the administration block is on foundation level. We thank you all for the support you have rendered to us. May God Bless You. We will continue to report on our progress with this important infrastructure.



EMPHASIS ON EDUCATION

We are glad to inform you that all our children are back to school for their first term. As they report back to school, we always remind them to work hard in order to attain the goal of what they want to be in their future. Educating children not only secures their personal life and future but collectively contributes to the development of a more reliable and secure society. Every child has a right to learn and access quality services to fulfil their potentials. Most of the school requirements like books, pens, toothpaste and pencils were given to them. Thank you for keeping them in school and for the efforts you put in to make sure that each of our children attains proper education that will give them a bright future.

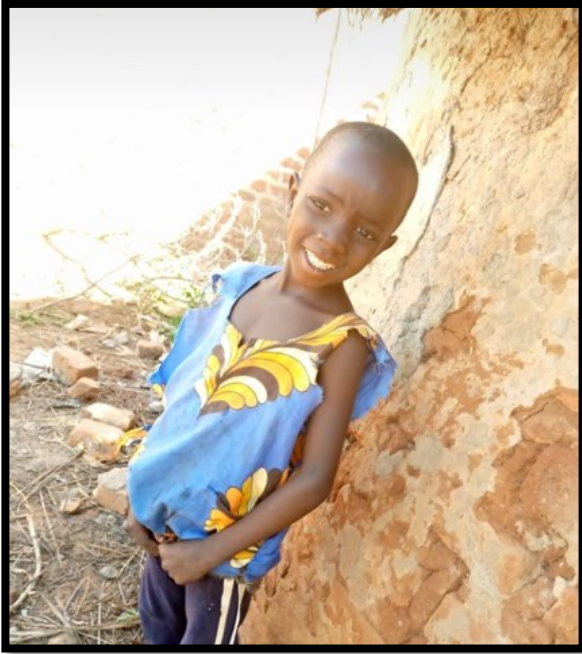


A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On the 17th of February, we celebrated the birthday of one of our beloved sponsors, Ms. Jan Shannon. Though we celebrated in her absence, we hope she enjoyed our videos and the pictures we took during the celebrations. Miryante Community Centre staff and the children were all happy for the gifts that were donated by Jan's family to Miryante Community Center in honor of her birthday. Included were many wonderful gifts for our kitchens to help feed our children and families on our Centre Days. Ms. Jan also received significant donations in her name to our Centre, and we will use these monies to continue to develop and build our site. We are very blessed to have such a generous friend who thinks of us on her special day. Our children are already able to benefit from the many items that we received. Thank you so much, we are so grateful for everything you do for us and for your friendship, God Bless You.



HELP SUPPORT A CHILD



SEEKING SPONSOR!

Fred Isabirye

Dear friends, this handsome young man is Fred Isabirye, and he is still awaiting a sponsor. Fred is only six years old. He loves playing soccer and hid-and-peek with his friends. He is a very active little boy and is hoping to find a sponsor very soon.

Fred Isabirye says that his favorite animal is a goat, which he knows how to care for. His favorite color is blue, like his shirt. He wants to be a mechanical engineer when he grows up. He thinks this would be very important work in his community.

Fred Isabirye would be very happy to find a sponsor for his care. If you would like to sponsor Fred or another child in our program, please visit Miryante's website: miryanteorphanage.org



SEEKING SPONSOR!

Terisi Orikiriza

Terisi Orikiriza is a new child to Miryante Community Centre and is ready for a sponsor! Terisi is 14 years old, and shares that he enjoys learning English in his secondary school. He is a good student!

Terisi Orikiriza loves spending time with all of his friends. He shares that he wants to be a farmer when he grows up, and he is learning to garden and plant produce with the support of Miryante. This will be a useful skill when he exits the program as a young adult.

Terisi Orikiriza is hoping someone will want to sponsor him soon. If you would like to sponsor Terisi or any of the other children receiving programming, please visit Miryante's website: miryanteorphanage.org.



GET INVOLVED

MIRYANTEORPHANGE.ORG

Want to get more involved with Miryante Community Centre? We need your help in the following ways:

◆ **SPONSOR A CHILD**

\$50 a month provides a child with food, shelter, clothing, school fees, medical care and psycho-social support.

◆ **BECOME A PENPAL**

Send letters to a child! Letters back are texted. The children feel very special when they receive mail!

*Contact Marie Wilbanks:
merasika24@gmail.com*

◆ **DONATE TO A FUND**

Visit the Miryante Community Centre website to learn more about the following projects: Animal Purchase Fund, Vocational School Fund, Farm Supply Fund, Management Fund, Renovations Fund, Buyende Home Fund, and Miryante

◆ **PURCHASE AN ANIMAL FOR A CHILD**

Livestock supply milk, meat and income for the children. Often, children will be given an animal of their own as they exit the Miryante program.

◆ **VISIT CAMPUS**

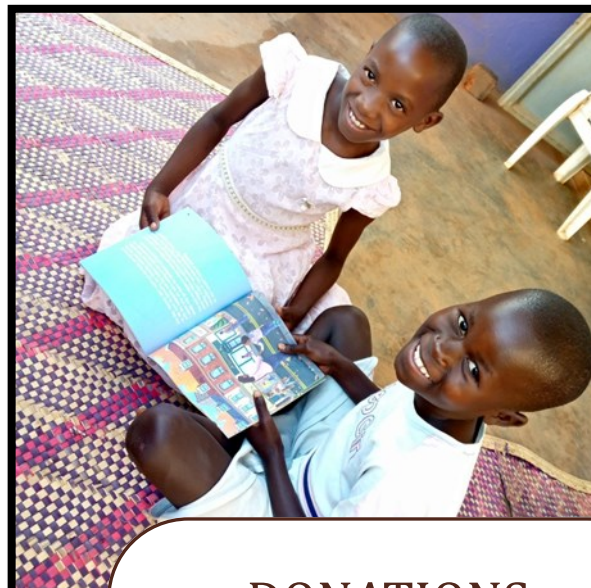
Visitors to the program are always encouraged! There are also endless activities in the area for tourists! To find out more about visiting the Miryante Community Centre campus and Uganda, contact Laura Corcoran:

lauracorcoran@hotmail.com

website: miryanteorphange.org

Physical Activity

Physical education and movement is important for our children, and during Centre Days, we encourage everyone to stay active and move. Chores and responsibilities take up a large part of every person's day, so it is good that we find time to encourage play. This helps the children continue to feel happy and healthy, and it also helps with their self-confidence and emotion. At Miryante Community Centre, we also teach our foster families the importance of supporting children's physical, mental and spiritual health.



DONATIONS

Every donation to us is precious. Children love reading books and telling stories to each other. These books were donated to our Centre, and here they are put to good use by two of our younger children.