



NEWSLETTER - November 2012

Uganda Concern UK mission statement: the prevention & relief of poverty in Uganda, in particular by supporting Uganda Women Concern Ministry, a Christian charity working in communities around Mbale in the east of the country.

How UWCM is transforming lives.....

Due to the generosity of UK supporters, two plots of land have been purchased for families in need. One of the beneficiaries, Robinah, has been assisted to build this house on her plot. She lost her home, her husband, a son and other relatives in the Bududa mud slide in 2010 and is caring for 7 remaining children plus her sister's 2 orphans. They were living in difficult conditions in a government camp until UWCM helped them.



Robinah stated:

" I and my family are so grateful to Bumbobi CMT, community and UWCM staff for the support of funds for medical bills, house hold items, counselling and guidance, shelter, IGA (Income Generating) funds and for buying us a plot of land. I feel I have found my relatives at UWCM. May the Lord bless the works of their hands mightily! "

Sakiya Prayer and Porridge Project

UCUK has recently taken over funding this valuable project which is run by a group of Christian volunteers from one community and brings 100 orphans and other vulnerable children together every Saturday. They are delighted that they are able to continue the work as the following quote highlights:

"We do appreciate the support for Children Prayer and Porridge Project because it brings the vulnerable children together to learn many things like reading the bible, singing for God, understanding God's love and having that good time to play with one another plus a nutritious meal (porridge) and counselling which has restored children's hope to know that there are people outside there who love children."

The porridge is made from ingredients such as maize flour, soya flour and ground peanuts.



Games and sports items (foot, net and tennis balls, skipping ropes) were provided to the project to enable children to have fun and physical exercise

UWCM Children's Conference 2013

This event is held annually in January for approximately 70—80 vulnerable children from the communities where UWCM and their volunteers work. We hope to use the same school facilities as last year which are quite near UWCM's offices. The children stay for 5 days and receive sessions on a range of issues, plus Christian teaching and have the freedom to play and make new friends. These children often endure difficult lives and have low self-esteem but the conference is an opportunity to tell them how much God loves them.

Children at last year's conference:-



Please pray for the conference and the children who will be attending. Also for Robert, UWCM's staff member who has responsibility for all the organisation.

Educational support for the children remains a challenge and any additional funds raised will be used to provide exercise books, pens and other essential school costs.

Our support has enabled the following work to be carried out during the last quarter in the Women's Dept: 7 Women's Groups were visited to monitor progress & these have continued to grow in terms of unity and Income Generating Activities are doing well. One of the groups with a piggery has been so successful they have been able to buy 3 cows and another has passed on 3 goats to other needy women in their community. 60 energy saving stoves have been built and 48 homes have improved on all hygiene and sanitation facilities. 20 women in the 7 groups are now in leadership positions both at the sub county and village levels.

"Working to support Uganda Women Concern Ministry" - UK Charity Number 1133440

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Ashford 10K Run

On Sunday 14th October, 6 gallant UCUK supporters completed a 10 kilometre run around Ashford, Kent As Keith Ketchum explains:-

"The day of the run was as perfect as we could have hoped for with a cloudless sky and brisk Autumn air. Everyone finished without injury and with better times than last year. But the best part of all is that it has all been well worth it....with a little help from the British government (gift aid), we will achieve our target of raising £2,250 to help Uganda Concern UK fulfil their commitment to sponsor the Children's Conference in January 2013."

We are really grateful to the team for their commitment and for the amazing generosity of their many sponsors.

From left to right:
Annie Russell, Gillian Withell, Stuart Fitch, Xander Hall, Heather Ketchum, Keith Ketchum



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Unfortunately, we have not been able to produce UCUK Christmas cards to sell this year but the Trustees of UCUK would like to wish all our supporters a joyful and peaceful Christmas & New Year!



We will be producing a new range of notecards in 2013 - details will be in our next newsletter and on the website

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This site also enables people to donate online by credit/debit card and was used for sponsorship of the Ashford 10K run .



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