

Fabulous Winter Team Members



We may have been small in number - only 11 of us, but this team came together to accomplish so much. With a very busy schedule and no time even for the Internet Café, this team conducted four full medical clinics, two additional de-worming

clinics, worked twice with the babies of Sanyu Babies Home, made two visits to the children in the pediatric ward at Mulago Hospital, and did a day of teaching at NCC.

This year we embarked on something completely different - bringing the children from the New Creation Family Home to Mulago - NCFH children ministering at hospital so that they could minister to the children in the hospital. The children were such a blessing as they sang and danced for everyone in the hospital ward. Then the children went around to the sick patients, spreading joy by passing out sweets and cookies. I couldn't have been more proud as I watch them love on those less fortunate.



NCFH children ministering at hospital



6 year old Shafiga a natural at feeding the



Mary, teaching math with a game of Bingo!



Henry enjoys babies



Megan teaching Swing Dance - the children loved it!

SIXTY- THREE

NOW AT NEW CREATION CENTRE

WOW! When I, Sherry, walked into the large communal room where all 63 students were anxiously waiting to shake each team member's hand, I was floored. The line never seemed to end as we greeted and hugged each one. Laughter, excitement, and curiosity took over as the new students waited to see this "Mzungu" (white lady). Each child shared a big smile and welcome which warmed my heart; I am confident that each of these children has been given a unique opportunity to receive an EXCELLENT Christian education where they are loved and shown how special they are. The hot meal served at lunch time may be the only meal some of them may receive throughout the day. We are praying that God will provide the funds to be able to give them a hot breakfast mid morning; most of them come hungry each morning and the wait until 1:00 pm lunch can be a long one on an empty stomach.



All 63 happy students at New Creation Centre. This group shot was taken outside from the school. The four classes met upstairs.

Primary 4, which has 12 students, now meets in a beautiful large room. We are starting a tailoring class for these 10 girls and 2 boys. Sherina, our housecleaner at the home and also the tailor who made all the uniforms, will be the instructor. When I mentioned the class to Sherina - she was thrilled, but said she would have to talk to her friend from whom she rents the sewing machine. Needless to say, we are searching for a sewing machine to purchase so that she no longer has to rent - a few machines would also be great for the school. It's beyond our imagination how one can be such a great tailor and not even own a sewing machine.

**Five Year Old Margaret
Brings Total to
Twelve Children at
New Creation Family Home**



February 3rd marked the day little Margaret's life would be changed forever. It was on this day that we went to the Acholi Quarters - one of the poorest areas in all of Kampala where over 10,000 people from the northern part of Uganda struggle to merely subsist. A year ago when we were de-worming the children in this large compound, the sweet face of Margaret caught the eye of fellow past team member - Brenda from Toronto. Brenda's heart was touched to find that Margaret's father had died and that her mother abandoned her as an 8 month old. Margaret had been left with elderly grandparents to raise her. Brenda and her husband Jim wanted so much to see Margaret in a home where she would be educated, loved, and have opportunity to thrive. We are excited to give Margaret this opportunity through New Creation Family Home.

A few days before leaving Uganda, I, Sherry, was able to bring Margaret to the home and watch her progress as she adjusted to the home and the other children. She quickly started learning the schedule and routine of the children and the road to speaking English. All the children at NCFH have learned English and many already can read and write in English.

February 3rd also marks another important day as it was Ken's and my 30th wedding anniversary. What a great gift to each of us - the ability to give an opportunity for a new life to a young orphan. God is so good!

Simon Peter

On our first visit to Mulago Hospital to visit the sick children and the burn ward, a little 4 year old boy quietly followed us as we went from bed to bed. He was dressed, but his left arm was completely covered in bandages. After a few minutes of



Simon Peter with team mate, Kayla

this little guy following us, we started to inquire about his situation. The head nurse told us that 2 weeks prior to our coming, his step-mother had taken his arm and put it into the fire, burning it so badly that the fingers had to be amputated. He was usually left alone in the burn ward - occasionally an aunt would come by and bring him some food. Mulago hospital is the biggest hospital in Uganda, and it caters mostly to the very poor. Family members must care for the patients, bringing their daily food and water and even supplying their sheets and blankets. Most of the time, little Simon Peter had no one. Everyone immediately was taken with this cute little guy with the long eye lashes. I, Sherry, spoke with the head nurse about his possibility of going back to that step-mother - apparently this was the second time she had intentionally burned him. I then spoke with the hospital social worker informing her of New Creation Family Home and how we would love to have Simon Peter as part of our family. She was very pleased but said she still needed the permission from the father who hadn't been seen the whole time Simon Peter was in the hospital. We since have heard that the father has given permission and we are proceeding - praying that God will make a way for this precious little boy to come and be loved. I know the other children in the home with help him adjust with the use of only one hand and make him feel special and secure in his new home.

Please pray with us that all the red-tape of bringing Simon Peter to NCFH will go through quickly. When we left Uganda, Simon Peter still had to undergo skin grafts. Please also pray for physical healing of his body and emotional healing from the abuse he has endured.

Summer 2009

Team #1: May 30 - June 15, 2009

Team #1 - FULL

Team #2: June 15 - July 1, 2009

Team #2 Space Available

If you are interested in mission trip team #2 please email us at sherryroberts77@yahoo.com.

Winter 2010

Dates to be Announced



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