

TORO BABIES HOME



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NOVEMBER REPORT

5th December 2022

GRATITUDE

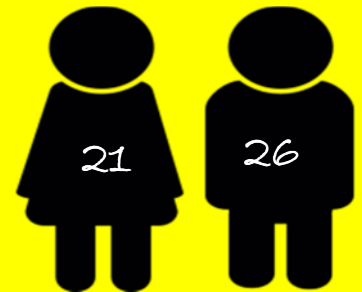
On behalf of the staff and children of Toro Babies Home, I send greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I also express their gratitude to you all for the great work that you are doing to provide and sustain the home despite the difficult global financial situation. May the Lord repay you a hundred fold for everything you do for the children.

CHRISTMASS WISHES

The staff and children of Toro Babies Home wish everyone reading this a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We would also like to invite you for our annual Christmas Party at the Home.

STATUS AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2022

Number of children: 47



Arrivals: 2

Departures: 4

Staff : 20

ARRIVALS

The Home was blessed with two new arrivals in Viola Abwooli and Steven Amooti aged 3 and 7 respectively. These two were siblings who had been left in the care of their father after he ended the marital relationship with their mother. The children reported that their father was subjecting them to physical abuse and torture citing examples of him using electric cables as a cane to beat them. These claims were supported with collaborative reports from concerned neighbors and unmistakable scars of torture on the bodies of the children. Consequently, the children were placed under our care and custody on the 4th of November 2022 by the Probation Officer till 12th November 2022 when they were resettled with their paternal grandmother.

DEPARTURES

On the 27th/11/2022, Kisembo Norman who had just turned two years on the 25th/11/2022 was resettled to the father's home. Norman had joined the Toro Babies Home family when he was just one day old on 26/11/2020 following the death of his mother during his birth. Everyone at the home is grateful for the time he spent with us. His family was very thankful for the help the home regarded to them when Norman was still too young for them to look after him.

Also, Idris Moses Mugisa started a new life under foster care on the 16th of November 2022. Moses arrived at the home on 13th May 2022 after an unknown person abandoned him by the banks of a river in Kamengo, Fort Portal. During his stay, he was assigned to house number one (1).



Kisembo Norman's last day at the Home



Viola and Stephen's last day at the Home



Idris Moses Mugisa with his foster parents and the probation officer

KEY EVENTS SINCE LAST REPORT.

Four of the children celebrated their birthdays during the month of November. These were Israel Kakama (8th November), Norman Kisembo plus Kedrine Muhindo (both on 25th November) and Steven Murungi (22nd November). The rest of the children, members of staff and volunteers joined them in the celebrations organized at the home.

An end of year party was organized at Early Bird Education Center where the children go to school. There was a music festival where the children took part, poem recitations and games. The highlight of the day was the graduation of Mbambu Beatrice (House 5) and Kalungi Joyline Masika (House 2) from Kindergarten to Primary School.



Norman Kisembo and Kedrine Muhindo celebrating their Birthday



The Music Festival at Early Bird Education Center



Steven Murungi celebrating his birthday on 22 November

HOSPITAL VISITS BY THE CHILDREN

During the month of November, a total of 31 hospital visits were made to Maranatha Health Children's Clinic. Most of the diagnosis and test results identified anemia, cough and flu as being the major causes of the illnesses. We cannot find the words to express our gratitude to Partnerschaft Gesunde Welt for meeting the costs associated with these hospital bills and for all that they do for the Home. Our gratitude also goes out to the mothers who take care of the children while they are sick and above all God for his healing power.

STAFF

The staff are doing great and as always, their best to look after the children. They are also very grateful for the love and support that you give us.

The Home got a new mother Tukahirwa Juliet who is still undergoing training and working under the supervision of other mothers. The gardeners are going great job and their harvests are able to supplement on the food we buy from the market every Thursday since this food is never enough to feed the home due to the increase in prices of items.

Our sincere gratitude goes to children need parents for supporting the home as they meet these and many other costs. The staff were very happy to get their salaries for month of November earlier than has been in recent times and would like to extend their gratitude to all involved in the salary payment process for everything they are doing.

SPECIAL FEATURE – MEET RUTH "ABWOOLI"

While most young educated women of her age focus on trying to get a job, going for vacations, hanging out with friends, getting social media following and being at all parties, the quite but resolute Alinaitwe Ruth walks determinedly from her home to the gates of Toro Babies home with one thing on her mind. To make the lives of the children there better!

It is not common to have Ugandan volunteers, especially within her age bracket, but every day from morning till late in the evening, the Home is blessed to have Ruth with us. During her work she cooks food for the special needs children who are on a special diet, plays with the children, implements recommendations of the Kyanninga Child Care Center Physiotherapy teams, helps the teacher in class, taking the children to hospital and does anything else required of her without complaining. The Home might not have the money to pay her for her time and services, but we appreciate everything she does for the children especially Gift (House 1) and hope that one day, she will reap the fruits of all the hard work and time she has invested in Toro Babies Home.



Ruth with Keron



Ruth feeding Gift and Hilda



Ruth following the physiotherapists recommendations regarding Gift



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM TORO BABIES HOME