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#### **APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER**

### **2025 MISSION TRIP REPORT**

The Furaha Africa Relief Association organized a mission trip to Uganda February 28/25 to March 17/25. The team was made of of: Ken and Julie Wiebe, Nathan Wiebe, Kathy Smith, Joanne and Nora Aston. They spent several days at the Kasubi office, met the staff, reviewed records of the children in the sponsorship program, interviewed and photographed pre-selected kids in the program. Members also visited schools in Busaka and Mutungo, where sponsor kids attend and interviewed them. There was opportunity to visit the vocational school near Mutungo. The team traveled to the Katakwi Church and saw the construction of the new church building walls. More funds are needed for the roof, doors, floor and windows. On the way to the Katakwi Church event, we were invited to a wonderful village celebration of one of our sponsor kids, Dr. Amos Arikod. He has become a medical doctor after being in the sponsorship program for 22 years.

The team also visited with Pastor Benjamin, a church leader from the Congo who reported on the status of some of the sponsor kids that have been fleeing due to the war there and provided him with

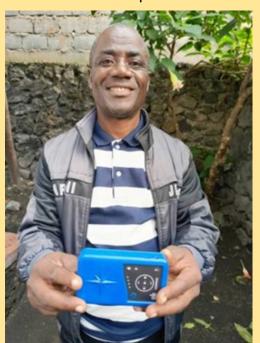
funds to provide food for the starving families, especially for the

sponsor kids.

The team distributed items brought along to give people in need, kids at schools visited, etc. They had opportunity to give out more than 14 food baskets to persons in need. Two bicycles were given to pastors to aid them in connecting with their parishioners. While in Uganda, the team participated in two church services, presenting a gospel message, singing and testimonies. A highlight was the Dedication of a new church building to be used to communicate the Christian faith in its community. A number of solar powered radio-Bibles were given to pastors, jiajjas and others.

This mission trip provided an opportunity to see first-hand the needs and opportunities to provide relief, education and for the advancing the Christian faith that exist in Uganda, giving inspiration to become involved. The team also spent some time team-building and had time to show appreciation for those FARA works with in Uganda. FARA also provided a meal and gifts for the office staff from Kasubi and the Stevenson home staff at the Stevenson's residence and were able to discuss with them the significant needs, both physical and spiritual, that exist in Uganda.

The team is very thankful for all the support and prayers they felt during this trip.



Receiving a solar radio with Bible in Swahili stored on it.

## **Highlights from the Mission Trip:**







Interviewing a sponsor girl.

A pastor receiving a bicycle.

Food for Congo families escaping war there.





Far Left: Water supply project for a school.

Left: Food baskets given out.

#### KATAKWI CHURCH PROJECT

FARA has been helping a church in rural Uganda that had its roof blown off by heavy winds. In 2023-2024 funds were donated to help the congregation repair their building.

The Mission Trip group spent a Sunday worshiping with the congregation and participated with them in dedicating this new start with a prayer of dedication and the mounting of a plaque commemorating the event.

FARA would like to raise funds for a roof, windows and doors.

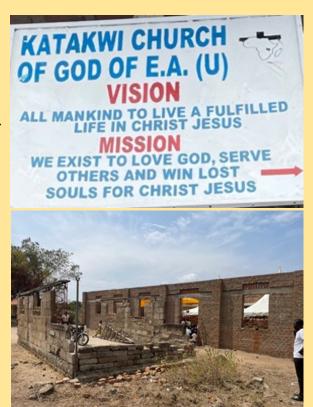
#### **TO SUPPORT THIS PROJECT PLEASE NOTE:**

Disaster Relief Fund – #223

Donate: online at fararelief.com

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Mail a cheque made out to: Furaha Africa Relief Association 14 Nordal Close Wetaskiwin, AB T9A 0P1



## MORE MISSION TRIP PICTURES...Courtesy Colleen Stevenson



















## **FARA ANNUAL REVIEW FOR 2024**



**Sponsorship** - Providing financial help to over 250 kids to get an education either in public or vocational school

**Relief** - Providing disaster relief, food and through micro projects that persons earn a living.

**Advance Christian Education** - providing funds for pastors and church leaders to get training in the core teachings of the Christian faith.

Other - Administrative expenses; bank charges, software, travel, etc.

SPONSORSHIP MONTH

Consider sponsoring a child for only \$36/monthly

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Furaha Africa Relief Association

The Furaha Africa Relief Association would like to invite you to consider sponsoring a child in 2025. Our target for 2025 is for 270 children in the child sponsorship program. The fee is still \$36.00/month. Check out our website at: <a href="https://fararelief.com/supporting/child">https://fararelief.com/supporting/child</a> for the latest update and pictures of the available children to be sponsored. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at

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