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# CHRISTAID FUNDRAISER BANQUET AND SILENT AUCTION FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 @ WATERSTONE COMM. CHURCH NEW LOCATION – 5890 SOUTH ALKIRE, LITTLETON, CO 80127

(One block North of C-470 and Bowles Avenue)



GRACE...FLYING IN... ALL THE WAY FROM UGANDA!!!

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER - OUR NEW "IN-COUNTRY UGANDA DIRECTOR"

Please help us welcome .........Mrs. GRACE KARUNGI MUGASA

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - FRIDAY EVENING

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5:30	DOORS OPEN FOR "SILENT AUCTION" SHOPPING/ BIDDING
6:30	AUTHENTIC AFRICAN BUFFET – NEW KENYAN CATERER!!
	(\$35 PER PLATE OR \$250 FOR A TABLE OF 8) BRING YOUR FRIENDS!
7:15	SILENT AUCTION CLOSES AND THE PROGRAM BEGINS
8:30	ACCEPT PAYMENTS FOR AUCTION ITEMS

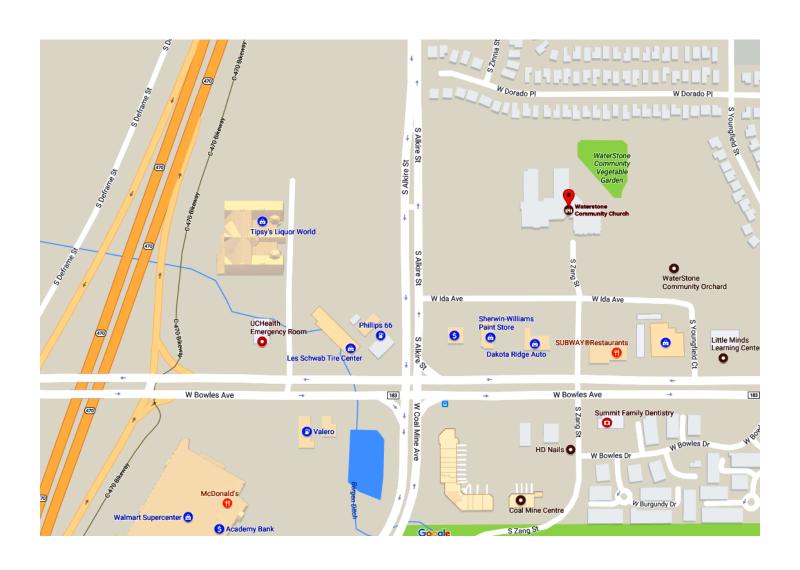
Our Executive Director, Pastor Bruce VanDusseldorp has streamlined the "program" to bring you up to date on our recently completed sanitation and solar projects for the school, as well as explain the exciting construction projects which have been approved for the near future. He will also discuss mission trip opportunities.

<u>Please make your reservations for the banquet by October 10<sup>th</sup></u>, by emailing or calling Kent Stannard (contact information in the upper right-hand corner of this document) so that we can have firm numbers for the caterer and appropriate seating arranged.

A fun selection of items for the silent auction will be available for your inspection including entertainment certificates, artwork by Colorado artists, gift baskets, crafts by our Grandma for Jesus and more! There will be something to interest everyone!!

# **NEW LOCATION FOR THE BANQUET THIS YEAR**

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# **FALL 2017 NEWSLETTER**

## **CHRISTAID MISSION STATEMENT:**

PUTTING GOD'S LOVE INTO ACTION BY PROVIDING RELEIF, CHRISTIAN CARE AND EDUCATION TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN UGANDA, FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.

When he isn't dancing with the Grandmas in Uganda, Executive Director, Pastor Bruce VanDusseldorp, (shown above) is telling the ChristAid story in our local Colorado churches, reaching out to our existing sponsors to answer questions about ChristAid and managing the daily activities of our vibrant and growing ministry!

#### NOTES FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR BRUCE ......

On behalf of the Ahadi Kids and participants in the Grandmas for Jesus program, thank you to all who are sponsors. Your monthly contributions are making a difference in the lives of many who are the recipients of your generosity. Beyond that, however, your sponsorships are positively affecting whole families and the Kicuna community.

During the last two years, some adjustments have been made in the sponsorship amounts to reflect actual costs. If you are a sponsor, especially if your sponsorship is set up as a direct payment, please be aware of the present sponsorship amounts itemized below.

The sponsorship cost for the Ahadi Kids has actually been reduced for those students in the <u>secondary</u> schools. It was \$88 per month, but was recently reduced to \$70 per month to reflect actual costs for the students. The cost of sponsoring a <u>primary</u> student is constant at \$40 per month.

Sponsorships for the Grandmas for Jesus have also recently been changed. The amount has been adjusted from \$30 to \$35 per month in order to provide health care for the Grandmas. We are blessed to have Dr. Moses, the husband of the new Director of our ministries in Uganda, contracted to provide health care for our Grandmas! This even includes hospitalization, if necessary. The cost of health care is just \$5.50 per month which is the reason for the sponsorship increase. (I wish I could find quality health care for \$5.50 per month.)

#### **NEWS FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR BRUCE** ..... (continued)

We are always in need of additional sponsors. We have both Ahadi Kids and Grandmas waiting for sponsorships. Please consider being blessed by being a blessing... by sponsoring either an Ahadi Kid or Grandma. Check our website for a partial list of those needing sponsors or contact me at <a href="mailto:vandussel@comcast.net">vandussel@comcast.net</a> to become a sponsor or to add a new sponsorship.

<u>Thank you again to all who are sponsors.</u> Please make note of the correct monthly sponsorship amounts and know that you are making a difference in the lives of many people. Thanks for sending your love to Uganda!



Pictured above, our ChristAid Accountant (on the US side), Michelle Chaffin, meeting her Ahadi Kid, Lydia, on a mission trip in 2016. Also pictured, several of our ChristAid Academy teachers.

#### INTERESTED IN VISITING CHRISTAID IN UGANDA?

A mission trip to ChristAid is being organized for January, 2018 and you are invited! If you have been considering seeing firsthand the exciting work being done by ChristAid, why wait?

You don't need to make a commitment at this time. An informational meeting will be held later this fall in order to provide an opportunity for you to receive information, to ask questions and to make an informed decision. Contact Pastor Bruce at <a href="mailto:vandussel@comcast.net">vandussel@comcast.net</a> and plan to attend the Informational Meeting.

Your life will never be the same!

Thank you again to all our sponsors of Ahadi kids and Grandmas. You are the BEST! Your generosity in supporting them provides a future with hope. The letters you write build relationships that will never be forgotten. In fact, for some of you, your generosity is leading to an unexpected issue. Some of our Ahadi kids and Grandmas regularly receive extra gifts from their sponsors while others do not. We are hearing that it is creating some hurt feelings among the kids and Grandmas.

We certainly do not want to do anything to discourage the building of relationships between sponsors and their African family members, but we do not want to inadvertently hurt the feelings of others in the ChristAid community. For that reason, we are asking that sponsors limit their gifts to special events in the lives of their kids or Grandmas such as Christmas, birthdays, graduations, etc. Those gifts will be deeply appreciated as is your monthly support. Limiting gifts to those times will help to decrease the jealousy or hurt feelings that have been felt by others.

Thank you for your understanding. If you have additional funds that you have been using for extra gifts, please consider sponsoring another AK or Grandma. We have many who need your support in order to provide the opportunity to attend school or to feed their families. THANK YOU, SPONSORS!! You are the beating HEART of ChristAid.



New Toll-Free Number 866-933-7552 303-463-2932 may also be used.

In either case you will receive a greeting and three extensions to choose from:

Ext 1: Executive Director Pastor Bruce Van Dusseldorp

Ext 2: Programs Manager Kent Stannard

Ext 3: Bookkeeper Michelle Chaffin

If the person you choose is not available you can leave a voice message and/or recall us and choose another extension.

Our office is now located at

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All mail should still be sent to

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