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JUNE 2019 - NEWSLETTER

NEW CHRISTAID WEBSITE UNVEILED – JUNE 2019 !!

ChristAid is pleased to announce the unveiling of our new ChristAid Website which has been dramatically updated and simplified for your reading enjoyment. It is designed to describe the various ChristAid ministries such as “Grandmas for Jesus”, Ahadi kids (school tuition support) and improved infrastructure projects including the building of Grandma homes, the ChristAid Preschool and the current office building project.

An important function of the website is to allow easy sponsoring of school children and Grandmas, and a quick way to send support and donations to ChristAid for any purpose. Select the link below to go directly to the website to take a peek!



A big thank you to the website team including Pastor Brandon Goad of Christ Community Church, Amy and Casey King, (ChristAid sponsors), ChristAid Programs Manager, Kent Stannard, our Executive Director, Pastor Bruce VanDusseldorp and Board member, Rick Hollis.

MISSION “TRIPPERS” ARE PACKING THEIR BAGS!!!

A high energy team of eight are packing up for an August 8th trip to Uganda. They will experience Grandma house dedications, a wild animal safari at Queen Elizabeth National Park and have the privilege of moving the Uganda ChristAid staff into their **new offices in the ChristAid Office Building** currently under construction. This marks the beginning of a whole new era for ChristAid.... of progress towards SUSTAINABILITY and self-sufficiency. Although we have a way to go in this area, this is a huge beginning!! Praise God for this giant step forward!



CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHRISTAID OFFICE BUILDING – HANDS AND HEARTS SERVING GOD



As you can observe from these pictures, the progress on the Office Building in the “Rwengoma” district is amazing.

The first picture shows the outside walls of the ground floor going up. They are made of locally produced “red bricks” but the building will be trimmed in our unique “ChristAid blocks” from the block press.



The second picture shows the ceiling of the ground floor being poured. Notice the highway going past the building. We have an excellent location to attract renters to our leasable office space and apartments to make income for ChristAid.

The third picture is beginning to plaster the ceiling of the ground floor. This is the space where the ChristAid offices will be housed.



The final picture is the finished ceiling of the office area.

Between now and when the August mission team arrives, the workers will be plastering walls and preparing to lay the terrazzo flooring. It will be cause for a joyful celebration to move into the new offices in August!!!



WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF FUNDS for this project. Please consider donating through the website or by sending a check to ChristAid to help with construction

....God’s love in action!

ANNUAL FUND RAISER – JUST AROUND THE CORNER
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2019 at WATERSTONE COMM. CHURCH



The cost for the banquet is \$35 per person or \$250 for a table of eight. We have a special RSVP email address for all reservations and any questions about the banquet.

Contact Pastor Bruce at

ChristAid.Bruce@gmail.com

WaterStone Community Church is located at 5890 South Alkire, Littleton, CO 80127 just a block north of the intersection of C-470 and Bowles Avenue.

Please make your reservations by October 15th, so our African Caterer is able to plan well for the delicious buffet!



Schedule for the event: 5:30 – 7:30 Silent Auction Dinner at 6:30

WE HAVE SUPER FUN PLANS FOR THE SILENT AUCTION THIS YEAR. WE ALREADY HAVE SOME GREAT DONATIONS COMING IN LIKE A FAMILY PHOTO SESSION WITH A PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER, BRONCO TICKETS, ORIGINAL OIL PAINTINGS BY ACCOMPLISHED COLORADO AND UGANDAN ARTISTS....YOU GET THE IDEA! IF YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS OR SERVICES YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE, WE ARE “ALL EARS”.

CONTACT BRUCE AT ChristAid.Bruce@gmail.com
TO LET US KNOW..... (OR ANY BOARD MEMBER)

THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR BRUCE.....

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTAID

Pastor Bruce, shown here with his wife, Maggie, and their newly adopted Ahadi Child, Jovan Tumusiime, at the Preschool dedication in January 2019.



On behalf of the ChristAid Board of Directors, I am excited to announce the plans to begin building a ChristAid Secondary School in Kicuna! We have been saying this was a possibility for some time, but we can finally say that it will happen. To quote Grace, our Director of Ministries in Uganda, "Ha-laaaaa-lujah"!!!

We have a partner in this called "Cunina", who is based in Belgium and sponsors children in schools around the world. Several years ago, Cunina chose ChristAid Academy and one other school in Uganda with which to partner. Presently, they sponsor about 120 of the children in ChristAid Academy and we are obviously very appreciative of their partnership with us, providing for the education of the children in Kicuna, Uganda

For the last year, we have been in communication with Cunina about the possibility of building a secondary school. We have spent several months working out the necessary agreements and have now accomplished that task. Although the paperwork is yet to be signed, both ChristAid and Cunina have agreed on the details and we will sign the Agreements as soon as they are updated with the latest changes. Generally, the agreements state that Cunina will fund and build the secondary school.

They will also sponsor one-third of the student population. ChristAid promises to use the buildings only for education, to administer the school, and to send appropriate reports to Cunina.

This is an exciting addition to the ministry of ChristAid and we thank Cunina for their generosity in funding the building of the secondary school. Soon, graduates of our ChristAid Primary Academy currently needing to attend boarding schools for their secondary school education, will be able to continue their education at ChristAid Secondary School, just a stone's throw away!!!

The next step in the process will be to draw up the plans for the buildings. We hope to start building later this year or at the beginning of 2020 with a planned opening of the secondary school in January of 2021. January is the beginning of the school year in Uganda.

More details about the Secondary School will be celebrated at the ChristAid Fundraiser Banquet on October 25, 2019. Come and join us for this joyful celebration !!

I am the contact for Banquet reservations and a new email has been set up for "all things related to the Banquet"! The email address is ChristAid.Bruce@gmail.com. Please contact me to RSVP for the Banquet by October 15th. (Ten days prior to the big event.) Reserve now...assure yourself a place as the Secondary School plans are explained.

PEACE TO ALL..... PASTOR BRUCE