



IMPACT
UGANDA

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NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

Greetings from the Impact Team - Australia

To our wonderful sponsors, we hope this newsletter finds you and your families well. Thank you for your continued support, both financially and prayerfully, over the last 12 months.

At the recent Ignite Conferences in Brisbane and Sydney, we signed up another 45 donors – if you were one of them, thank you! We now have 161 donors, together sponsoring 186 children. It's amazing to see more people partnering with this vital mission and together changing lives, families and communities in Uganda!

During Ignite in Sydney, we were blessed to hear from Sammie, a young man from Uganda, share on the main stage about how sponsorship changed his life. Sammie is now 25 and has completed a university degree, all because he was sponsored as a child to go to school. He shared how education enabled him to avoid the traps of addictions and homelessness that often result from poverty in Uganda. He also spoke about some of the children he personally knew who are currently awaiting sponsorship through Impact, and what it means for them if they cannot go to school.

We are also pleased to let you know that we have officially submitted our application for tax deductibility. We have been trying to hold off on increasing costs until this had been received, but we simply cannot wait any longer. Please see the back page for the new costings for 2024 and beyond. If this increase prevents your continued sponsorship, please contact us as soon as possible to discuss alternatives as we don't want to lose any of our valued sponsors. We hope to be able to announce soon that all donations to Impact will be tax-deductible. Until this point, please pray that our application is processed quickly.

We have recently received reports for many of the children which we are currently emailing to all of the sponsors. Please let us know if you did not receive an email from us about your sponsor child. We also invite you to send a letter to your sponsor child over the coming weeks, which we will send on to Stella in time for their final celebration in December. Letters are to be emailed to the office by 3pm, Friday 8th December. Please see more information over the page.

Thank you again for your continued support of Impact Uganda. We hope that you have a very blessed Christmas season with your families and loved ones.



Gonzaga and Paskazia, leaders of Holy Trinity Community



Sammie sharing his story at Ignite Conference, Sydney, 2023

Impact Team Australia

Greetings from the Impact Team - Uganda

In early November, children in Primary 7 sat for the national Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE) which promote them to secondary level. The children in S.4 and S.6 are also sitting for their final national examinations where by students in S.4 will go to higher secondary (High School) and those in S.6 will be joining universities or tertiary institutions.

At the same time the children in all the other classes are currently writing their promotional exams and this is very challenging and exciting at the same time. When a child is in secondary level they are given the opportunity to select different subjects that determine their career. We discovered that many children select subjects when they are not guided well so they end up in careers which are not helping them to thrive. The sponsorship support team here started a program of career guidance. This took place on 6th September 2023. It involved parents and children of S.4 and S.6 who were guided and supported in choosing their career.

Good News:

The following children are finalizing their courses this year, doing their internships and will be graduating next year. We are so grateful to the sponsors who have made this possible for the students to reach their career dreams. These include: Nakibuule Prossy (nursing and Midwifery), Katimbo Adrian (Catering) and Namazzi Kevin (Nursing and Midwifery).

Upcoming programs:

- 1 Dec 2023 - End of Term III 2023
- 11 Dec 2023 - One day recollection for children P.4 to P.7
- 12 Dec 2023 - Annual meeting and Christmas Party for parents and children.
- 3-8 Jan 2024-Impact Youth Holiday Retreat for all secondary, university and tertiary students.
- 29 Jan 2024 - Beginning of Term I 2024



Parents & Children at the career guidance program



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our sponsors who support us to be able to have an education for the children here, and we pray that God blesses you so much.

Stella. Impact Team Uganda

A Letter for your Sponsor Child

We are currently collecting letters to send to Uganda in time for the Parents and Children Annual meeting and Children's Christmas party on 12th December. We are so proud of their achievements this year at school, in spite of the many challenges they have faced in 2023, so we want to let them know how much we love them and are proud of them.

All sponsors are invited to write a letter, and we will ensure it reaches your sponsor child. There are two simple ways to do this:

- We have a fun Aussie template available at www.impactuganda.org.au (click on the image below). You can type directly into the template, then save it to your computer and email it to us.
- If you prefer to write by hand, you can print out the template from our website or use your own stationary. Then scan & email it, or post it to us.

Please note that all letters must be received by Friday 8th December,

NB. letters will be sent by email - we are unable to send physical objects.

Send to:

- Email: sponsorletter@impactuganda.org.au.
- Post: Impact Sponsor Letters, PO Box 294, Ellen Grove QLD 4078

Click here for the template



HELLO FROM YOUR AUSTRALIAN SPONSOR

To: _____

From: _____

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Writing to your sponsored child is a great way to provide support and encouragement, build relationships, and walk alongside these young people in their life and in their faith. While your donations care for their practical needs, a letter reminds them that you care about them as a person and are interested in who they are - this is what we're all about.

If you need some tips to get started:

- **Start simple** - introduce yourself and ask about your sponsor child's family
- **Share stories** - share a bit about who you are with your sponsor child; what you love to do or read, any sport you play or enjoy to watch etc
- **Ask questions** - What do you like about school? Do you have any hobbies like dancing, gardening or music? What would you like to do when you leave school?
- **Get visual** - draw a picture or take a photo
- **Share your prayer** - pray for your sponsor child's challenges and give thanks for their blessings; ask them to pray for you too.





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KEY IMPACT PROJECT

CHILD SPONSORSHIP (INCREASE COST IN 2024)

When you help a child go to school, you open up a lifetime of opportunity. Take up the challenge!

- \$45/month for primary school students
- \$90/month for secondary school students

We currently have many more children urgently needing sponsorship.

Meet them at www.impactuganda.org.au

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We also need to find approx \$20,000 to help bridge the gap from this year's costs. If you are in a position to make an extraordinary donation towards Impact's mission, you can do this in one of the following ways:

- scan the QR code
- visit <https://bit.ly/impactug>
- Bank Transfer: BSB: 064-123



Acc No: 1025 2685 Ref: Impact [your name]

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