FRIENDS OF KIBBUSE

June 2022 Newsletter



Dear Friends,

Greetings. This letter is written as a personal message as well as a newsletter because we know we have failed to keep you posted regularly about Rev. James Adyeri's healing progress since his very serious motorcycle accident in January. We apologize for not doing so. We are aware how many of you know and love Rev. James and must be wondering how he is doing. Please forgive us.

First, be assured that James (pictured left with his 84 year old mom, taken around 6/4/22) is making slow but steady progress toward normal body function again. As you may remember, he suffered a severe head injury (fractured skull and concussion), along with facial tissue, eye muscle, nerve and jaw displacement damage. The recovery process kept him off his feet long enough that he also has lost a lot of muscle tone and flexibility, although according to his son Albert, physical therapy sessions are helping with restoration of his physical strength. However, he still has a lot of dizziness when standing or walking and some vision problems have yet to be resolved.

He is presently going to two hospitals for outpatient treatment during the healing process; one for his eye and vision problems, the other for his nerve damage and overall physical rehabilitation. His son Albert, who has been incredibly diligent to care for and communicate with us about his father's progress, has reported to us twice a month or more since the accident occurred. In His latest report he wrote:

"Surely Daddy's healing progress is so encouraging, and everything points to one Great Thing, that the LORD is in control. There is surely no doubt about it.

Thank you for the prayers. It will surely be good as well to keep the rest of the other Kibbuse Friends up to speed with the current state of affairs, which clearly depicts His Presence in how far we have moved toward healing up till today. We feel so encouraged as a family day after day. Please thank all friends of Kibbuse for prayers and especially for help with Daddy's medical expenses. We are so blessed and have hopes for full healing in Gods good timing."

Luke 1:37 "For Nothing Is Impossible With GOD." (NLT)

Please continue to pray for Rev. James. we promise to keep you updated monthly until our dear friend is back at what he loves most – serving the Lord as Director of the Kibbuse Foundation.



THE VOCATIONAL CENTER

We have received emails from both the Principal and the Communications Director of the Vocation Center in Nyamarwa and are pleased to report that the school is currently in operation with 42 students, mostly boarding on campus. Robert Asiimwe reported that Kibbuse students did very well in the recently released results of last years standardized tests, with one Kibbuse student standing out above all those tested:

We are aware that man reaps what he sows. I am happy to inform you that KVTC has once again excelled in the just concluded UBTEB examinations where one of our students emerged (Natulinda Annah by name) the winner with 4.7 points in all courses at the centre where they sat from; this is not our pride but your pride; I congratulate the administration, staff and the students for what they have accomplished and the roles they played to make these students pass well. This could not have happened without FOK support. Thank you.

Pictured at left: Madam Nabitosi Stella posing for a photo with some of the 2022 UBTEB candidates

Just today we did receive documented assurance that all teachers and staff salaries, have been paid up to date. It is this faithfulness of the school to pay their salaries on time that enables our teachers to be on site full-time, paying personal attention to the students they are charged with. Undoubtedly, this is why Kibbuse students consistently score as well or better than most students from other fully accredited and well-equipped schools in the larger towns and cities of the region.



SCHOOL REGISTRATION AND LICENSING

Two years ago, we worked hard to help Rev. James re-register the Kibbuse Foundation with the Uganda Department of the Interior as a legitimate and operating NGO. This year we have asked the Board of Governors of the Vocational Center to produce an estimate of necessary procedures and expenses that will register and license KVTC with the Uganda Department of Education and Sports.

As a small rural school, KVTC has operated independent of National oversight since its founding in 2001.

However, economic progress, community growth and increased government oversight in rural Uganda since Covid-19 have brought KVTC to the attention of government inspectors. Unless the school is able to provide facilities, accommodations and a full quota of government certified teachers, KVTC may have to be closed down.

No one wants this to happen, so we are urgently seeking the funding that would make licensing possible. You may remember that we already have nearly \$80,000 in the bank, earmarked for construction of the Boys' Dormitory. In general terms, we know that that the following facilities are essential to licensing:

- The boy's dormitory (already funded)
- A multi-use building that can serve as an assembly hall, a chapel and a testing center
- A girls' dormitory
- Upgraded equipment for the motor vehicle and construction trades shops
- At least four accredited teachers not presently on staff

As soon as we have more specific information from the Kibbuse Board of Governors (BOG) about the costs of necessary facilities, staff acquisitions and application fees, we will publish a fund-raising goal. The BOG is an arm of the Kibbuse Board of Directors charged with oversight of school operations, finances and development.

For now, please know that we will need to triple what we already have set aside for the dormitory, so feel free to contribute right now!

To contribute via credit card, please click on the Donate button below and select: "Donate to Kibbuse Vocational Training Centre Projects". Alternatively, If you write a check (sent to the address below), please make a note on the check: "For KVTC".

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