

2023 MISSION TEAM TWO – ON THE GROUND! As you read this, Nate Kamps and a team of five have landed in Uganda and are at work to accomplish two VERY IMPORTANT objectives:

First, to see to the health and well-being of the two breeding cows recently donated to the school. This involves more intensive training than was possible in the June visit, of Kibbuse's principal and a new KVTC staff member. It will be done by the project's initiator, Tom Sterk and his companion Craig, an animal husbandry expert who has worked for years with Ugandan dairy and beef farmers.



Nate & Kara



Todd

Second, to have Nate and Todd review and confirm with the Kibbuse Board of Directors plans for the completion of a Faculty Residence on campus that will alleviate the need to rent off-campus rooms for faculty members whose homes are too distant for daily travel to the school.

The basic house structure (or shell) was actually done in 2002-03, roofed over in 2009, and jury-rigged as a boy's dorm in 2016 – but was never actually finished. It lacks windows, wiring, basic plumbing, finished floors, interior and exterior plastering, stairs and railings for its exterior balcony entries, painting and furnishing.

It is a BIG job! The cost will be about \$70,000. Which brings up an important question:

BUILDINGS OR PEOPLE – WHAT'S THE BETTER INVESTMENT IN MISSIONS?

We believe the answer is found by answering another question: What is IN a building? The simple and obvious answer is PEOPLE. Buildings house people. God's people, living in God's Kingdom and doing God's work. Buildings provide essentials that enable people, God's precious children, to live with reasonable comfort and to work safely, efficiently and effectively.

Providing good structures helps keep healthy and productive PEOPLE active in their pursuit of the abundant life Jesus promised!

The Good Samaritan facility opened in 2020 and is now providing competent professional medical care to hundreds of remote villagers at low cost every single month. In January, the 2024 class of 40+ boys and faculty dorm master will move into the new KVTC dormitory, freeing up urgently needed classrooms that had been temporarily converted to sleeping quarters to meet health code regulations.

Now we want to help our faculty the same way. Since many of them come from distant towns to teach at Kibbuse, they must live in rented facilities, which the school pays as part of their compensation. The offerings in a small village like Nyamarwa are few in number, generally poorly constructed, badly maintained, unpainted and sparsely furnished, if furnished at all. They are, of course, separate from the school campus and scattered around the village, *thus isolating Kibbuse's teachers who are living far from their wives or husbands and children.*



The Hill House

THIS YEAR'S END, we are asking you to consider generously investing in the remodeling and completion of the large two-story building overlooking the KVTC campus that we highlighted in last month's newsletter. To give, please click on the Donate button below.

Our hope is that by mid-2024, eight to twelve faculty members will move into that facility, with the following hoped for results:

- Spacious, decent, clean, well-lighted, modestly furnished, secure and lockable residential rooms
- Clear separation between male and female quarters (upstairs and down) for assurance of privacy
- Community rooms on both floors for collaborative fellowship and mutual encouragement
- Basic kitchen and bathing facilities on each floor, along with an outdoor kitchen and M/F latrines
- Close proximity to the classrooms and workshop, greatly improving student/teacher interaction
- Elimination of most rental expenses, freeing up money for school supplies and program costs
- AND AT LAST – putting a long-dormant building to VERY GOOD USE!

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