

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Sponsor a child at \$300 per year
- Bless an entire village community with a well at \$5000
- Support a local Pastor with a boda boda (motor cycle) at \$1,700
- Support our kids feeding program \$1 can provide two hot meals to a child.
- Support our teachers' salaries at \$3000 per month
- Help build a n 100-seater local church at only \$15,000

## DESIRING TO VOLUNTEER OR VISIT UGANDA?

The project welcomes any God fearing person desiring to visit the project in Uganda for a mission trip or volunteer for a specified period at any of our projects. The project has good guest rooms which needs little facilitation like \$30 per night for maintenance and meeting electric and water bills. We are also appealing to individual persons desiring to fundraise for our projects, be free to contact us via our email address below.

## MAKE A DONATION TODAY

Below is our US Dollar account in Uganda. Provide these details to your bank and they will transfer funds directly to Uganda.

**CORRESPONDENT BANK: CITI BANK, NEW YORK**

**SWIFT ADDRESS: CITIUS33**

**FED ROUTING NUMBER: 021000089**

**BENEFICIARY BANK: ABSA BANK UGANDA**

**SWIFT CODE: BARCUGKX**

## BENEFICIARY DETAILS.

**NAME: BETHEL COMMUNITY OUTREACH MASAKA LTD**

**ACCOUNT NUMBER: 6009330303**

## CONTACTS

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# BETHEL COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRIES UGANDA

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“Touching a life forever, with the love of Jesus Christ”

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## 2026 GREETINGS!

Happy New year to all our esteemed children sponsors and partners working alongside to promote the work of Bethel Community Outreach Masaka. It's approximately twenty-four years since we launched out in love to touch lives through providing free education to orphans and vulnerable children in Greater Masaka region of Uganda. We also provide clean water to rural communities and supporting local pastors! Today, the organization runs two school campuses at Kasijjagirwa for our Nursery and Kirumba for our Primary section.



New looks for Bethel Learning Centre Nursery School – Kasijjagirwa & Our Primary School at Kirumba

## MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDING DIRECTORS

We want to celebrate our Pastor Samuel M Kawalya and his wife for the 19th Marriage anniversary that took place on March 10. Marriage is a commitment and a mutual agreement to leave and cleave together in all circumstances!



## Message from Mr. Byereeta Januario – School Head teacher



We would like to thank again all our partners and the parents' community that contribute some school fees to help us run the project. This term has witnessed an increase in our school enrolment to a total of 285 children compared the number we had last year. Our greatest challenge has been feeding, meeting educational costs and staff salaries! We are trusting God for any well-wisher to partner with us in any of the above mentioned areas to lessen our burden! We would like extend our special regards to First Church, Celebrate Church and Living Word Fellowship in Iowa for your assistance towards our school.

**New Classroom at Kirumba Campus:**

We used to have a challenge of two classes sharing one classroom! That was Baby and Middle Class. It would confuse kids which side to take. The little ones would stand no chance but to learn materials they were not supposed to be taught according to their level of growth. We thank God that, during the holiday, Pastor Samuel worked very hard to make sure we separate these classes!



**Project Farm at Kibaale:**

In our effort for project sustainability, we grow coffee on roughly three acres of land. Coffee is harvested twice a year, red beans are picked, sundried and processed. We thank everyone that has tasted Pastor Samuel's coffee to support our farms. This year we have set up standard goats' barn, keeping 19 goats for the purposes of providing steady manure other than depending on artificial fertilizers which degrade soil fertility due to over use. We also plan to purchase exotic breeds of goats to improve the local breeds thus providing milk and meat. Alongside coffee we also grow corn and beans through crop-rotation as advised by Mr. Ward who had a one-on-one talk with Pastor Samuel while in Pella, Iowa.



**Wells of Life Project.**

During Pastor Samuel's mission trip to Iowa in 2025, several friends took up the initiative to bless various village communities. We may not mention names, but the following wells were done and others are ongoing like; BCO Head Office – to serve our Nursery School and the church, Kibaale well project, Kabasese Well project and Kaziru well project. We are super thankful to God for Mr. Vernon Boot and Mr. Allen Kopsaka at First Church, Pella, for raising funds towards wells of life projects in rural communities in Uganda.



**Project appeal:** As we carry out manual drilling, we face several challenges which include; hard rock basements in certain areas, lack of oxygen at lower depths, falling debris from weak walls that threaten to bury diggers! We are appealing to any concerned friends to donate towards purchasing a project drilling rig to help ease our work in rural areas, save time, save the lives of our diggers. A good rig is estimated to cost \$100,000. You can contact us via our official email at [bethelcom@gmail.com](mailto:bethelcom@gmail.com) or

Mr. Joe Cunningham of Living Word Fellowship in Knoxville, IA at [jcunning73@gmail.com](mailto:jcunning73@gmail.com)



**Lasting Impact Ministry Association**



From our pastoral fraternity we thank God for the grace accorded to run the ministry despite several challenges. For those who may not know, our founding Pastor has faced several security issues at which we advised him to stay out of the country for his safety until the situation gets back to normal. We thank God that as of now the political situation is promising! We have also faced several challenges within us, for example, churches that rent are facing evictions from time to time!

In another incident Pastor Gathel Ssessanga fell under robbers and survived death narrowly when an assassin welded a machete at his head. He was saved by the helmet. We thank God for Pastor Bob and First church's quick response to restore his boda boda and phone. We also extend special thanks to Mr. Clyde Alexander of California for a boda boda which we extended to a very needy Pastor – Godfrey Ssempiira of Kinoni.



Pr. Gathel Ssessanga



Pr. Godfrey Ssempiira

**Updates from Project Beneficiaries**

We thank God that last year, six of our project sponsored students completed their studies and are working. These included:



Ms. Tendo Nakanjako (Teacher)



Ms. Teady Kikabunene (Catering)



Mr. Kwana Bwagoritus (Plumber)



Mr. Saanywa Joshua (Builder)

A special tribute to all our sponsors that have taken these students throughout this great journey!