

# CHILDREN SAFE UGANDA

## NABBAALE INTEGRATED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (NICODEP)

### 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER REPORT 2015 (JULY TO SEPTEMBER)



■ Our children ■ Our responsibility



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**Introduction:**

We greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ;

We take this opportunity to thank God for the gift of life He has given us and thank you so much for the support given to CHILDREN SAFE UGANDA Over this quarter of July to September 2015. During this period, the project carried out all the activities as planned in the work plan. School construction, Conducting trainings in commercial agriculture and improved practices, improving hygiene and sanitation through home improvement campaigns, training SHG/CLA members in child Rights and responsibilities. Empowerment of the home cell groups has been also very powerful this quarter. SHG Strengthening and monitoring is ongoing. Therefore, the following activities have been implemented in line with the project Annual plan.

**1. Updates on school construction and school management.**

We give glory to God for blessing our school of Shared Blessings Junior School – Makukuba in the field of Education towards helping Orphans and Vulnerable children. Together with **ROTARY CLUB OF KASANGATI AND SHARED BLESSINGS INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN MINISTRY – USA**, have helped the construction of our school and the work is moving on successfully as now we are on class room three. We hope to do finishing of this block in future after soliciting enough funds. We thank everyone who has been a blessing to Makukuba community. Shared Blessings students had an Education tour at Entebbe International Airport and to a Kids Park Freedom city. Rotary clubs also donated school text books to our school to facilitate our children to learn and also parents have started making bricks for school construction. To ensure that children’s Rights are protected, we have started Child Rights/ Safe Clubs (CRCs) in different communities. Also fighting for justice for vulnerable children in Courts Of Law is still a center of focus in our campaigns of keeping children Safe as per our Name.



**Existing Temporary School Structure**



**Our School structure under Construction**



**On going work for school construction**



**The school Site plan**



**ROTARIANS donating Text books**



**Our children enjoy swimming on tour**



**Our children outside the Airport**



**Ongoing work of school Brick making**

## 2. INTRODUCTION CEREMONY OF OUR STAFF – REBECCA:

Glory be to God, One of our staff by the names of Rebecca Zalwango in charge of Children's affairs and school director for shared blessings, on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2015 introduced her future husband Mr. George William Bulemu to her parents. Their wedding is due to take place on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at **ST.PUAL'S CATHEDRAL- NAMIREMBE, (ANGLICAN)**. We therefore take this opportunity to wish them God's Blessings on their wedding and a happy marriage.



**Rebecca in her traditional Wear (Gomes)**



**Rebecca and her man she introduced**



**George with a star served a traditional meal**



**The cathedral where the wedding will take place**

## 3. Spiritual Empowerment:

Our work is built on spiritual foundation and it is always our joy to see the growth of Christians in Makukuba. By the time we started our ministry in Makukuba, we almost had no church and members were only 6. Through a door to door evangelism, we have over 40 members in the church and a weekly home fellowship is very active and members love it. A permanent structure of a church building is in place and we thank our God for our funders (Shared Blessings) (Audrey and Tom) who donated this money. We are now looking for funds to buy shatters (windows and Doors) plus working on floor and a pit latrine since the one we have is

temporary. Makukuba community which was living in darkness by worshipping small gods, people see light now. We thank the community members who contributed local materials to construct this church.



**Fixing Timber on church for roofing**



**After roofing the church with iron sheets.**

#### **4. Updates on poverty eradication programs**

Through our unique concept of community empowerment known as SELF HELP GROUP APPROACH, we have tried to establish income generating projects. Our objective is to see that parents in these groups are able to meet their basic necessities especially in meeting the needs of their children. We have changed their farming methods from subsistence to commercial farming and they are very positive about it. We are also encouraging group members to develop the spirit of saving and credit management in whatever they do. Parents have managed to grow several types of Onions, Passion fruit gardens, Sugarcane, Maize plantation among other income projects.

##### **1. PASSION FRUIT GARDENS.**

A demonstration garden has been established in the community and many parents come and learn how to grow and care for Passion fruits. This garden has motivated many groups to take on the project and to believe that it's possible to do it. Currently we have 6 groups that are taking on this project each on one Acre of land.

See gardens and other activities bellow.

One of established Group garden for passion fruits



A sample of passion fruit seedlings to be give to groups



Official handing over the seedlings for Empowerment to differer groups to reduce on poverty among the parents



Some of groups learning from the demonstration garden

CSU staff displaying passion fruits in the demo garden



## 2. ONION INCOME PROJECTS

We have also continued to promote another crop known as onion; here we mainly promote LEEK and Bunch type onions. These have a local market in our capital city of Uganda – Kampala. If done on a large scale it can easily reduce on poverty level among parents. This project is undertaken by 15 groups of which 2 for youth and 13 for parents

A Women’s group making nursery bed

Making shelter over the nursery bed



After covering the nursery bed



A grown nursery bed for leek onions



A garden of LEEK onions



A garden of Bunch type Onions



### 3. MAIZE PLANTATION FOR FUTURE PIGGERY AND POULTRY INCOME PROJECTS

Parents who are intending to have piggery and poultry projects have been encouraged to grow maize in order to get feeds for their projects. In poultry and piggery, feeds normally take 60% of the total capital. We have 4 groups each with one Acre of maize plantation. This is done to eradicate poverty among parents and to

ensure sustainable family support by parents to their children in meeting basic necessities of life.

**Bukoza women's group in their maize garden while on right is its current reporting stage**



**God is Able Bukoza men's group actively digging as a group in their Acre of maize garden.**



## **5. Youth Empowerment:**

As you are aware that the illiteracy level in Makukuba is over 86%, we have so many young people who dropped out of schools and the majority see themselves as failures. Through our youth programs, we ensure that they are counseled, empowered with skills among others so that they don't see themselves as failures.

Currently we have four active youth groups who meet weekly to develop themselves. We have two active youth staff who meets them where they are and spend time with them.

As a result, youth meet weekly to do some projects i.e. piggery, farming, and counseling, among others. See samples bellow:-



## The youth of Bugereka in their sugar cane plantation and their piggery project on right



### 6. FUNCTIONAL ADULT LITERACY (FAL) PROGRAMME.

As mentioned earlier that the church is growing, but it has been a real challenge people to grow without reading the word of God! As we also promote their business, it is very difficult to keep records when they don't know how to read and write! We want them to assist their children with class work; but it is very difficult to give what they don't have. As a result to address this problem, 4 adult classes have been established and 2 classes are able to read and write on their own.

Adult class of Bugereka in outside class



CSU- staff a FAL instructor helping Adults



All our funders and partners in this initiative are highly appreciated and may the good Lord richly bless.

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