

New Year Newsletter January 2022

Dear Supporters, Donors and Well-wishers of Good Shepherd Network.

On behalf of Good Shepherd Network, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for your continuing monthly donation to GSN which supports the Bapty school and the grassroots community in Kabale, Uganda.

Your generosity is what gives these young people the resources and support they need and opens doors for the next generation.

We know it has been a difficult 2 years of uncertainty, and covid 19 lockdowns have brought business and financial constraints on families, and we would like to thank you that you have continued to support us even in difficult times.

Schools in Uganda have been closed during various lockdowns over the last 2 years, but they are hoping to open in January 2022, should the new variant allow! Now they have no cases reported so we hope that they open soon.

GSN was able to buy supplies and support children and their families during covid 19 lockdowns.

One example is a child like Eunice, aged 6, who is one of 7 children and her family. She loves school, but without your support with school meals Eunice would be struggling. In addition we have continued to help all these families with food parcels given out to their parents and guardians when the schools were closed. The parcels contained rice, beans, posho (maize flour), salt and soap. The recent Christmas gift parcel also had meat as an extra treat!

We have managed to support the teaching staff to prevent them going to teach in government schools who pay better than private institutions. We would like to acknowledge the loyalty and hard work of the teaching staff in these difficult times, and also Alice's family members who help manage the school.

We are delighted that donations came through from a special contribution from Kate and Jamie Smith's wedding, which will be going towards construction of a school kitchen and a main hall. This is needed by the school, and will help food to be cooked and served in a better environment.

Please continue to check our website for updates. We hope you will continue to support us in the coming year. As the Golden Giving page does not recognise a non-Uk address, for donations from outside the UK the best way is by direct transfer into our bank account :-

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See www.goodshepherdnetwork.org.uk for photos from the school - our special thanks to Jeremy Ireland for updating the website and for his ongoing technical support.

We hope you had a lovely Christmas and wish you all a Happy New Year 2022.

Very best wishes from the GSN Team -

Alice, Di and John