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### MISSIONS GUESTS

In January we hosted an Impact Nations team in our community. They focused on doing some business training and we were fortunate to be able to take part in that.

Then our home was filled with guests for a number of months. At one point there was 13 people staying in our house!

A number of these guests were on varying missions. Bruce Friesen, lan Green and Tim Troughton joined us to work with local leaders on transformational topics. This team has been to stay with us a number of times now and is working with church leaders, governmental officials and even military leaders. Their goal is to bring a transformational mentality to those who can influence culture in Uganda.

We also had a visit from Jacki Knight who came primarily to scout the land and consider how she might engage with Children Arise to host teams in Uganda. Jacki's goals are to prepare teams for a missions journey, see the mission accomplished, and then to help people find ways to apply their new worldview at home in day to day life afterward. While here, Jacki also helped a primary school prepare to implement a new math curriculum.

A young videographer names Sam McGloughlan joined us to work with other local videographers and shoot some videos. Theresa Price (Sam's fiancée) joined us as well to spend time with Sam abroad but as a Nutritionist Theresa also made these skills available to several hospitals and trained nursing staff. Victor Tucker was with us for three months as he shadowed our work and helped with several projects. Victor was an invaluable asset to the Arise ground team helping us manage visitors and providing leadership for a few small building projects.

Victor's extended time with us allowed him to evaluate his readiness to step out full-time in missions. Since his visit, Victor has returned home to Canada but is preparing to return in a long-term capacity. Terry and I look forward to having Victor on the team here.

Terry and I have grown used to hosting travellers. Like the owners of a guest house, we find it very interesting to hear about peoples journeys and help them engage for the short time they are in Uganda.



"Focus on the journey, not the destination. Joy is found not in finishing an activity but in doing it." - Greg Anderson



## The Adoption Process Continues: JOSHUA & GRACE

We went into the year believing we might complete the adoption process in the first quarter but the best laid plans are often disrupted. It looks like 2019 will be more likely!



### ARISE UGANDA OBJECTIVES

Have you ever asked, what are Andrew and Terry doing in Africa? Well we would like to make sure you have the answer to this question. Our objectives are simple to understand:

### BUSINESS

The Arise Uganda team believes that "Business Opposes Poverty" and we are actively involved in several social business initiatives.

#### TRAINING

We also believe that "Skills Create Opportunity" and we are involved in sharing the skills we have. Training is an enabler and can empower people to become better earners.

#### TRANSFORMATION

Our objective is always to be transformational in nature. If the work we do and the lives we encounter are not positively impacted then we serve little purpose. Thankfully we have been part of a number of stories here where lives have been positively impacted.

**Joshua & Grace** - are the most significant example of lives impacted. From malnutrition to healthy and thriving is a huge success story.

**Trinity Heavenz** - is an example of our effort to use business to change lives. Trinity (Emma) and his business Era92 have been part of our efforts since it's inception and today Era92 employs a number of youth and is giving back to it's community through training.

**Jacob & Praise** - were premature babies discarded by their parents at birth. Both needed help to develop and thrive and Terry was the right person to provide them with critical care and love in their early months.

**Robinah & Danny** - had been thrown out by their family when Robinah became pregnant and the family found out. From the streets of Kampala they found hope at a shelter but had no means to gain employment and begin their lives. Today Robinah and Danny live with our family and Robinah is taking a degree in business to establish her future.

These are just a few of the transformational situations we have been involved in. Living in Uganda there are so many opportunities to offer something of value to people in need. We have been in so many situations where we were able to seed transformational change and help someone to thrive.





"... from 1986 to 2015 it (Uganda) has grown from \$246m in 1986 to \$26b ... it continues to grow at an average of 5% per year"

- NewVision Newspaper (Uganda)

