



MISSION REPORT

the Banmans



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Tanisha

Cast your thoughts back to a little girl sitting in a hospital bed with 2 broken arms and 2 broken hands from the abuse of a step-mother. That girl was Tanisha and she was only four years old when she was sent to hospital to recover from this abuse.

Since October 2017, Tanisha has lived in Rakai with our friend Dr Dan Douglas and his wife Agie. This couple has nursed Tanisha to health and taken great care to get her the diagnosis she needed as well as providing care and treatment. Tanisha has had a family, including a big sister called Treasure.

Today we know that Tanisha has Epilepsy as well as some Autism. She is also incontinent but it is unclear if this was the result of her abuse or simply part of the other health issues.

After more than 21 months in care with the Douglas family, we are still trying to arrange appropriate long-term care. Tanisha is a special needs child and will need the correct environment. Unfortunately Uganda has no social net to help Tanisha or even help a family that is willing to take her in. In fact, the social workers who happily signed her over to Dr Dan Douglas have told him to just take her back to the abusive family home if he doesn't want to look after her any longer. They offer no alternatives, no help sourcing options, and frankly no compassion for Tanisha. This is the system good people work in around here.

A local friend of ours is now doing her best to trace the birth mother and see if she or someone else would be willing to take Tanisha in. It is hoped that if a family member was empowered in some manner of business that they might be able to better support themselves and be willing to care for Tanisha. Only time will tell if a relative can be found and if not, Tanisha's future is very unclear!



"Tanisha eating an apple with her best friend Treasure"

"Children are likely to live up to what you believe of them." - Lady Bird Johnson



Thanks for Visiting us Tony and Jan

What a blessing it was to have Tony and Jan Zanon visit with us for a few weeks. They were a total blessing to us and to our community.

During their visit they worked with many youth at The Remnant Generation helping encourage them, praying with them, and even cooking meals with them. They walked the streets of Kosovo learning about our community. They even watched over Joshua and Grace for a night allowing Terry and I to have our second date in 5 years.

The Zanon's will be joining the Children Arise Board and bringing a lot of experience to the team. They are also interested in planning and leading mission teams to Uganda to engage with our work here.

During their visit, Tony and Jan learned about all our projects and discussed the Integrity Education project in great detail. The Zanon's are now ready to dive in and engage with the work here in Uganda.

We are so pleased to have the Tony and Jan on our team!

Have you been wondering how to engage with Children Arise or the Banman's? We would love to hear from you!



The Zanon's are pictured at the Equator with Joshua and Grace (above) and with the kids grandmother or Jajja as they call her in Luganda (below).

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." — Margaret Mead

GOD'S GREAT PLAN IS EVERY CHILD'S POTENTIAL

Mission - To transform the Ugandan system of education so that children may be fully equipped to thrive in a constantly changing world.



The Team Attends a Three Day Workshop at Master's Academy & College in Calgary Alberta.

During the second quarter, both Terry and I had a chance to visit Master's Academy & College (Master's) in Calgary Alberta. Terry was at Master's for a full day and was very struck by the self-confidence and mature communications she witnessed as she went from class to class interviewing learners. From elementary grades on up, Terry was very impressed with the kids capacity to tell her about their work and about their goals.

Andrew was at Master's a few weeks later as part of a three day workshop and noticed these same traits. Andrew noticed that the Profound Learning education system was helping kids to manage their own success and take responsibility for their own education.

The Profound Learning education system is a pivotal component in the Integrity Education prototype school that Andrew and Terry are working toward in Uganda. Today, Ugandan children are educated through long hours of repetition and in fact this type of learning does not produce individuals who can think innovatively and creatively so Ugandan children are failing to thrive.

The Integrity Education project that Andrew and Terry are working on is in its infancy, but they are passionate about the work and believe it can lay a foundational for an amazing change in Uganda.

Why not visit the Integrity.Education web site and see how the team expects to transform education in Uganda!

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” — Nelson Mandela

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