



3RD QTR 2020

MISSION REPORT

“Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal.”
Henry Ford



ARISE EDUCATION

As you may know, we are working toward the implementation of a proof-of-concept school using an education system pioneered in Canada called **Profound Learning**. This is a long-term goal, but we feel it represents a huge development step for the Ugandan school system. While this project will take a number of years to launch, Andrew is now engaged daily to move Arise toward their goal.

During the 3rd quarter, Andrew increased his activities with the Treasured Kids leadership team. He is doing a deep-dive with school leaders to help them build capacity and help himself gain an important understanding of how the Ugandan school system operates.

Treasured Kids primary school is located very near the Banman's home and provides education to about 300 students from the community.

ARISE EDUCATION

**"As long as you're going to be thinking anyway, think big."
Donald Trump**

BUSINESS TRAINING

Arise taught business to 14 students during the 3rd quarter. Some students were teachers from a local primary school and 4 more were single mothers from the Kosovo community. Each of these students is trying to survive through COVID lockdowns and business can be an important asset.

“The best way to predict the future is to create it.”
Peter Drucker

The class went through topics including planning, pricing, research & marketing, ethics, budgeting & saving, and record keeping. Some of these students already have businesses while others are still in the planning phase. In both cases, the course was well received and will likely be repeated soon.



ARISE EDUCATION

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



ANNET

Annet has great drive and compassion. She has been an instrumental member of the team as the mamas have taken on new businesses to provide for their families. Annet has also turned out to be a star business person.

ANNET IS MENTORING OTHERS IN BUSINESS

Annet was given some capital to startup her Banana wholesale business. In the first month of business she made enough to replace the capital (so she could start the next month) and to pay her family bills (rent and food).

From the very first day Annet started business she started saving 2000 shilling a day (~80 cents CAD). These funds are accumulating to reinvest into the business at a later date.

Annet has a goal to move her Banana business out of her house and into a storefront in a good location.

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“To make a difference in someone’s life, you don’t have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. You just have to care enough and be there.”

Anonymous

STELLAH

Stellah is mama to the children we used to refer to as “The Little Ones”. Since returning to Kosovo, Stella has been “hocking” children’s clothes door-to-door. She has been able to maintain her business capital and make enough money to support the basic needs of her family.

Stellah had a dream of being able to sew. This dream dovetailed nicely with her business because often she can charge more for the clothes if she can do minor repairs.

Thankfully, Stellah’s landlord teaches sewing for a living and agreed to teach Stellah for a modest cost. Recently, Arise funded sewing lessons and a generous donor funded a sewing machine. Once Stellah has studied a bit, we will reward her extra effort with a sewing machine she can use in the evenings to mend clothes and improve her earnings.

Stellah also attended our recent business classes and gained knowledge about how to plan to succeed.



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**“For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love, and self-discipline.”
2 Timothy 1:7**



SCOVIA

Scovia's children known previously as "The Church Kids" as they were found living at a small local church without their parents.

Since reuniting with her children, Scovia has worked hard to learn how to sell Bananas. In the first month, Scovia lost some of her capital, but she rebounded with some mentorship from her friend Annet (above). Since that time, Scovia has regained her initial loss but is still struggling to pay her rent and feed her family more than a single meal each day.

Recently, Arise increased Scovia's capital with the expectation that this will improve her capacity and that Annet will continue to help guide her business steps.

Scovia also attended our recent business training program and engaged eagerly. We have great hope that Scovia and her family will soon begin to grow her business and thrive.

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"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying 'I will try again tomorrow.'"

Mary Anne Radmacher

JOYCE

Joyce has a positive outlook about her situation and her business to spite a difficult beginning. Joyce decided at first to sell charcoal for cooking in the community but this business turned out to be harder than anticipated.

Joyce lost some of her capital learning about the charcoal business but then changed her plans and took on hocking clothes with guidance from her friend Stellah (above). With her original capital regained, Joyce is now learning to hock clothes door-to-door.

JOYCE RECOVERED HER LOSSES AND IS NOW HOCKING CLOTHES

As with the rest of the mamas, Joyce was an enthusiastic member of our recent business training classes. We now have great hope that Joyce will be able to meet the needs of her family.



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**“Business opportunities are like buses, there’s always another one coming.”
Richard Branson**



THE BOYS

If you remember, the boys were a group of children we found in a small tin shack in the community. Their mother was not able to take them in as she had a new family who would not accept the boys. The father was willing to help but the boys were very much against staying with him.

Our team worked with these boys to house them and provide food. Then we found a local motorbike mechanic who was willing to train the 2 older boys (Nelly and Nicholas) to be able to support themselves and their younger siblings.

This plan was good but the two older boys would not focus and apply themselves to the task of learning and earning. The boys were regularly not attending work, had stolen from the site and at one point Nelly was beaten up by locals for this thieving. After that incident, absence became more frequent and we were unable to stabilize their situation.

Today the boys are no longer under our care. The two younger siblings seem to have gone to live with the father and Nicholas has disappeared. The oldest boy Nelly has returned to the mechanics training but is not under our care. We have no idea where he is living and we are waiting to see if he can focus and learn.

Not every intervention is going to be a complete success. These boys were street kids and have had serious struggles settling into the rigger of school and work. Even though we are no longer directly involved in their situation, there is still hope that they can learn and thrive.

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**“Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts.”
Winston Churchill**

ADOPTION NEWS

Joshua and Grace continue to grow and thrive. We love having them in the family “officially” and are now working diligently to secure Canadian citizenship for them. We hit an important milestone recently when our Canadian lawyer submitted part 1 of the citizenship process.

Meanwhile, we are still working here in Uganda to acquire birth certificates, adoption certificates and passports. This is not as straight forward as it may sound but we remain hopeful each week that it will finally happen.

Once we gain these papers for the kids, we will be ready to provide the necessary documents to begin part 2 of the process in Canada.

Please Jesus, let us come home as a family in 2021.



ADOPTION NEWS

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**“You’re off to Great Places! Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting, So... get on your way!”
- Dr. Seuss**