



4TH QTR 2020

MISSION REPORT

“The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame.
You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.” - Isaiah 58:11



Compassion Hive

PASSION | PEOPLE | PURPOSE

We recently created a Facebook group called the “Compassion Hive”. The name describes the purpose well, we are a collective of compassionate people who want to make a difference. We are passionate people with purpose!

The goal of the Hive is to share our work here in Uganda and engage people at the right levels. Some people may want to hear stories as they consider how they might make a difference in the world, others may have been to Uganda and want to continue to engage in the lives of struggling families. Some people may be missions-minded and ready to engage while still others may be looking for a situation that lets them get closer to the actual mission process. Regardless of the specific goal for each of us, we hope the Hive can provide a connection to the real life beyond our regular social circles.

We know that there are many people who would like to understand and participate in missions but cannot leave work and/or family to do so today. If you are one of these individuals, we welcome you to the Compassion Hive. Come join us on this missions journey. Make a profound difference in the lives of real people. We will be your hands and feet as we all work together to transform real lives.

Join the Compassion Hive today:

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**“Use your voice for kindness, your ears for compassion, your hands for charity, your mind for truth,
and your heart for love.”**



A DREAM COME TRUE

Stellah has been working faithfully to develop her small hocking business so she can support her family. Each day she bundles up dozens of children outfits and walks door-to-door selling them. From these sales, Stellah pays her rent and provides simple foods for her 4 children.

Stellah had a dream of learning to sew and felt this could help her improve her business. After proving herself to be hard working, we paid her landlord to teach her to sew. This was an exciting time for Stellah and she started producing her own children's clothes to sell.

Just before Christmas, Stellah was given her own sewing machine, complete with thread and material and scissors and all the things she needed to make and mend clothes. This had been a dream of Stellahs for some time. Stellah has already made and sold 5 or 6 children's outfits. Her dream has combined with her small business to make her family more secure.

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"Joy is the serious business of heaven." - C.S. Lewis

CHRISTMAS

Christmas can be very hard for families in our community. Many of them struggle all year long to pay their rent and give their children a meal each day. COVID lockdowns have complicated this here as parents (mostly single mothers) find they loose even this humble work they had during normal times. Christmas is a time when families wish to celebrate and hurt when they are unable to provide a celebration meal.

This Christmas, our family teamed up with friends in Canada to provide a feast for each of the 4 families we have been working with. We took a bucket of food like the one pictured here to each household on the 23rd. The glowing smiles of the children and thanks from the moms was amazing. This was a feast they would never have been able to provide themselves.

Our thanks to our partners in the Compassion Hive who helped us make the holidays amazing for these families!



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**"If you are really thankful, what do you do? You share."
W. Clement Stone**

SLOW PROGRESS

As you likely know, we are trying to complete the kids Canadian citizenship now. This is the final step before we can all come home to Canada to visit family and friends. To complete this process, we need birth and adoption certificates for the kids and then passports. We began working on the certificates many months ago, but every time NIRA (the government agency that issues the certificates) would print the certs they would spell something incorrectly or make a mistake and use the mothers name in place of the father. Months and months passed and they had printed the certs wrong at least 5 times. Finally just before Christmas our paid advocate finally typed the details into the NIRA computer himself.

We are pleased to announce that we now have birth and adoption certificates for both children. We are now working on Ugandan passports.



ADOPTION NEWS

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"Good parents give their children Roots and Wings. Roots to know where home is, wings to fly away and exercise what's been taught them."
Jonas Salk