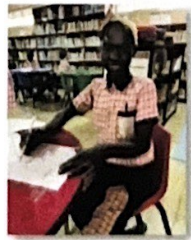




St. Nektarios Community Children's Library Opens!

Lift Up Uganda is pleased to announce the June 12, 2023 opening of the library for all children in Akonyibedo village. This 3 year labor of love was delayed many times due to lack of a shipping container for over 7000 books, library furniture and supplies. Many volunteers made light of the work of cataloging, labeling, dotting, cleaning of the books which were then packed into boxes on pallets, shrinkwrapped and banded. The furniture consisted of picnic tables, plastic tables and chairs, office chairs, computers, ceiling fans, and other items that were not available in Uganda. After clearing Customs in Kenya and Uganda, we were relieved to see the truck with the shipping container navigate the bumpy dirt road that leads to the school where many hands quickly emptied the contents. Under the direction of librarian Molly Schuringa from the US plus Daniel Owani, newly hired head librarian, we unpacked and set up the library in just 6 days. The children could hardly wait for everything to be made ready for them to finally have their library open.

Located at the St Nektarios Nursery and Primary School the library now has daily library time for all students. The children, some who had never seen a book before, delight in touching all the stacks of books and sitting in the bean bag chairs and colorful tables and chairs. They are learning how to select books, care for them properly, and respect the library rules. Soon they will each have their own library card to check out books. Enrollment at the school has grown due to the library. Some of the older students and teachers are learning how to do supervised research on the internet. Story hour and CD movie time are very popular. Reading clubs and other fun activities are being done by our well loved librarian Daniel. His goal is to be a change agent in making reading and learning a priority for this young generation of children who will grow up knowing more about their world than they ever thought possible. Brighter futures for the children, families and communities will soon come. THANK YOU everyone for your support, ideas and prayers in making the dream of the Children's Community Library come true!



GIVING TUESDAY

November 28th, 2023

On Giving Tuesday, Lift Up Uganda asks for your help with our Primary 6 classroom building project at the St Nektarios Primary School. When the current school third term ends 12/2/23, the Primary 5 students will advance to Primary 6. On 2/5/24 the first school term of 2024 begins with no Primary 6 classroom for them. Because LUU built 2 kindergarten classrooms and a latrine in 2023, there are no funds to build a P6 classroom. Please help us raise \$5000 for this needed building project.

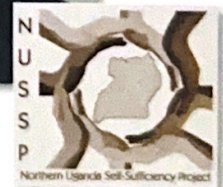
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NUSSP

Lift Up Uganda continues to partner with the Northern Uganda Self-Sufficiency Project (NUSSP). Fr. Simon sends his warm greetings to all.



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Clean Water Project



Lift Up Uganda continued its partnership with Global Access 2030 to provide clean drinking water for 3 years to families. Initiated in 2022, 213 water filter units were given to families in 2 poor villages, plus to every classroom at the St Nektarios Nursery and Primary School. The incidence of water born infections has markedly decreased, especially for young children. Clean water is making a positive difference in the health of Ugandan families. Follow up revealed correct continued usage of the equipment plus all negative water tests for specific bacteria and parasites.



Because of this success, in 2023, 400 water filter units were distributed to families in 4 poor villages plus to all clergy who attended a special class. Four local teachers were recruited to volunteer in teaching the recipients in their native language about the proper use and care of their water filter units. They will do followup and water testing every 3 months. LUU has set a goal of reaching 600 more families in 2024 which would bring the total to over 1200 families having clean drinking water. Many more families come in hopes of receiving but are turned away. Each water filter unit costs \$20 and donations are most welcomed. Let us continue to give the gift of clean water to as many families as possible with your help.



EDUCATION UPDATE



• **Richard Okello** started his second year at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary thanks to your support.



• **Eunice Ajok** started her first year at St. Francis School of Midwifery in Kampala, UG with your help.



A Word from Dr. Sue

Lift Up Uganda could not exist without you. Thank you for continuing to be a part of our goal to promote self sufficiency in northern Uganda. Every donation, idea and prayer are very much appreciated. Please visit our website and learn more about what your support has accomplished.

Sincerely,
Sue Nelson