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WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER

NEW LOOK. SAME DRIVEN PURPOSE.

Hello, and welcome to The Hoffman Family Foundation's newsletter: The HFF Dispatch. This is a quarterly newsletter to help keep you updated with all that the Hoffman Family Foundation is accomplishing. Our goal is to improve the quality of life for different communities, empowering women, families, and schools giving children quality education.

The Hoffman Family Foundation's vision is to leave a legacy of love, transforming lives and communities around the world.

With this newsletter, we hope to share with you the improvements we are making in other people's lives across the globe. Perhaps you'll be inspired to help in your own way or to donate for one of our causes. With your help, we can truly make a difference.



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HFF IS GROWING!

Thanks to your help, God's vision, and our dedicated staff, we are so excited to announce three major changes and growth within the Hoffman Family Foundation!

By Carrie Wingfield



NEW WEBSITE

As we continue to grow, we have seen a greater need for new and improved features and capabilities on our website. Get ready for a new design, hosted on a new platform that we will be launching by the end of this year! Same URL, but an entirely upgraded Hoffman Family Foundation experience.



GOING PAPERLESS

We now have over 300 people signed up to receive HFF's quarterly newsletter, "The Dispatch". This has been such a blessing to have such a large community invested and wanting to hear what God is doing through HFF in Uganda. In order to meet a higher demand, we have decided to go paperless with our newsletters. This will be our last printed newsletter, all future newsletters will now be delivered directly to your email! This transition will not only allow our foundation to become more eco-friendly, but this also frees up new funds that can go directly to our kid's needs. You will also be able to easily share our newsletter with your friends and family just by forwarding the email.

If you would like to receive our upcoming e-newsletter, please be sure to email Tami Hoffman at thoffman5564@yahoo.com and we will add you to our emailing list!



GROWING STAFF

Both our US HFF teams and Ugandan HFF teams have grown immensely! Our US HFF team has now grown to 7 people on staff, and our Ugandan HFF team has grown to 7 on staff, and our Rays of Grace staff is now at 38 people! That's now 52 people serving Uganda in God's name. Please continue to pray for everyone on our team that God allows us to accomplish even more for our kids and continue to raise money so we can truly leave a legacy of love. See all of our staff starting on page 6.



INTRODUCING: LEGACY PARTNERS

We are so excited to introduce a new partnership program with Hoffman Family Foundation. This is a great opportunity to leave you mark on the foundation. More details on page 8.

MEET OUR TEAM

We want to say a big thank you to all of our sponsors, guardian angels and legacy partners; without you we would not have been able to grow this amazing team of God-serving, devoted individuals committed to leaving a legacy of love.



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+ 38 RAYS OF GRACE STAFF MEMBERS

LEGACY PARTNER

By Tami Hoffman

During the holiday giving season, we are launching our Legacy Partners Program! If you give \$500 towards the construction of our Nursery/Kindergarten facility and playground, we will add you to our Legacy Partners. We have already secured the land ...and now we need to "BUILD IT" and they will COME! Our Project cost is \$30,000.00

As a Legacy Partner:

-  We will send you our quarterly newsletter with updates on our ministry.
-  Your name will be engraved on a stone outside the Nursery/Kindergarten Facility.
-  We will list our Legacy Partners in our newsletter and website which reach over 300 people.

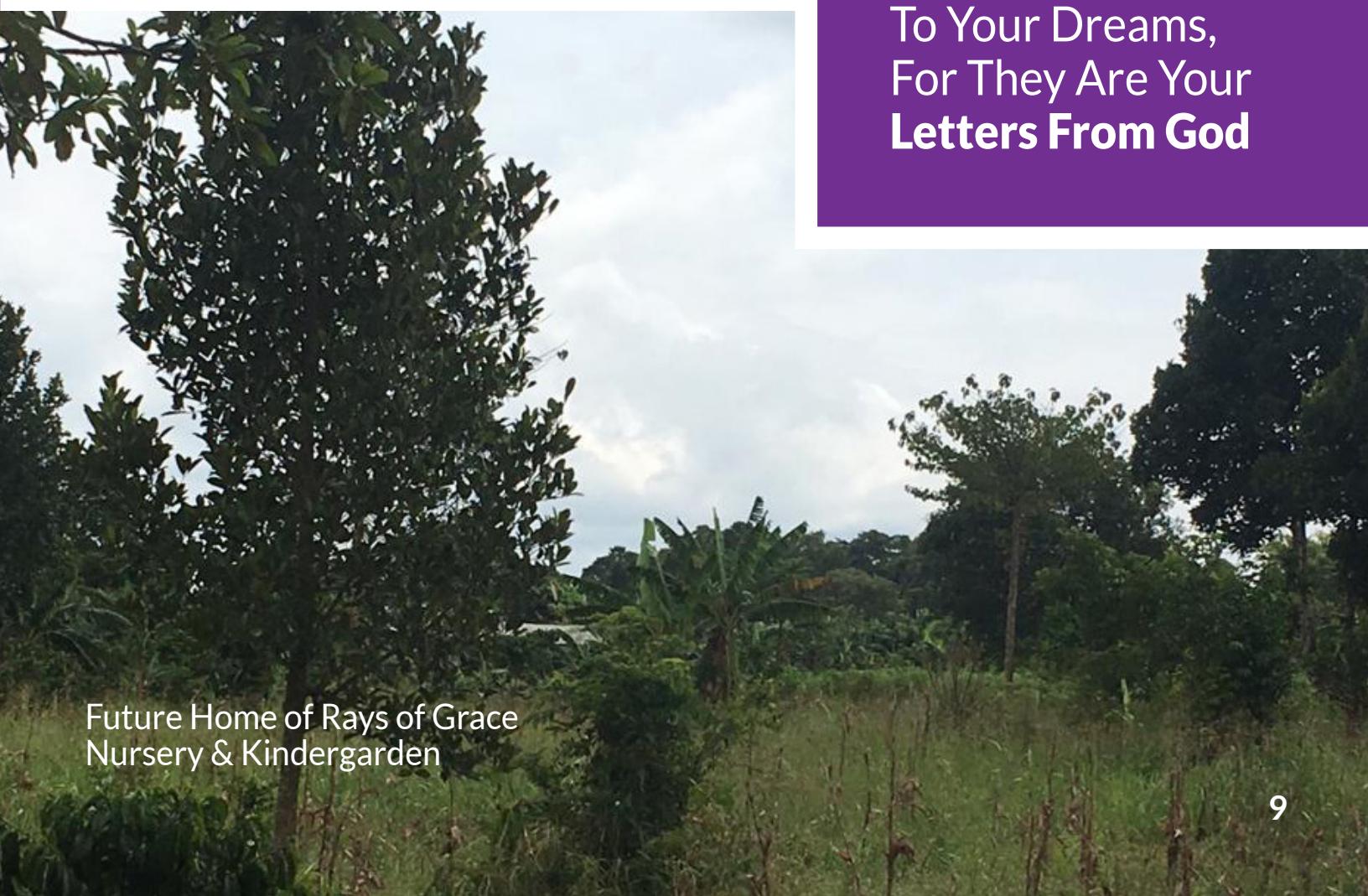
This project is our top priority this year because the facility is required by the Ugandan Government to continue our work at Rays of Grace Primary School. We would love your support in this area.

To become a Legacy Partner, give a one-time or monthly donation at www.hoffmanfamilyfoundation.co OR fill out the donation form. Hoffman Family Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and all gifts are 100% tax-deductible.

Please call Tami Hoffman directly at 303-949-0831 or email Thoffman5564@yahoo.com if you have any questions!



**Pay Attention
To Your Dreams,
For They Are Your
Letters From God**



Future Home of Rays of Grace
Nursery & Kindergarten



MEET JOSEPH

By Joseph Balikudembe

Our New Head teacher at
Rays of Grace Junior School



Born and raised in a God-fearing family in central Uganda, I attended primary and secondary school in Mukono district and graduated as a primary teacher from Makerere University. My passion about changing people's lives has led me to different parts of the country trying to educate and serve the less privileged children from vulnerable communities. I have brought tremendous change in the lives of the children and communities I have interacted with.

I joined Rays of Grace Junior School in 2018 well aware that the school is situated in an entirely Muslim community. I realized that most of the parents are illiterate and therefore do not value education. A large number of children drop out of school and the girls are married off at an early age. This gave me the courage to encounter new challenges involving working with new communities, understanding and appreciating their diversities, serving and educating their families and most importantly extending the love of Jesus Christ.

I enjoy working at Rays of Grace because of the committed staff, loving and caring directors, and children with much interest in learning. The school has a conducive learning environment and gives a chance to the less privileged children in the community to attain a holistic and meaningful education.

Rays of Grace is surely destined for greater heights. To achieve this, we need to focus on; sensitization and economic empowerment of parents, promoting the use of bio-gas fuel rather than wood, attaining an independent kindergarten, increasing classroom space and construction of a modern sports complex. With all these in place, I envision a community with a well-established institution offering top quality primary and vocational education. This therefore calls for a concerted effort from all stakeholders towards achieving this. When we educate today's children, we invest in tomorrow's generation.



*God loves to use imperfect, ordinary
people to do extraordinary things.*





MEETING OF THE MINDS

By Tami Hoffmann

Several times during the school year our PTA board meets at "RAYS OF GRACE". Yes our small little village school also has a Parent/Teachers Association. This time is used to bring new ideas and also old ideas that are working or not working to the table. We consider this group the pillar of our school. These 7 men are the village leaders of Kirugu District.

We all empower each other when we work together. These men represent many of the parents that we have helped through our "Women's Empowerment Group" and now they truly feel as if they are in FULL partnership with us. Because we have loved, served and blessed this community extravagantly their hearts have become very open. We are committed to bringing the BEST we can to their children. Our soccer and net/ball teams did above and beyond what we had ever expected this school year. We were definitely blessed and highly favored. We want to add dance/music to our outside curriculum as well so that we can compete with other schools in Uganda.

Many of the leaders have asked us to help them visit other schools to see how they operate in order to learn more and dream bigger. They are wanting to learn how to have the BEST school for their community. Their hearts are OPEN to learning. This is powerful. Now that we have been blessed with a school bus and van this is very achievable.

We continue to leave a legacy of LOVE transforming lives and communities.

OUR HEARTBEAT

By Michaela Marcy

Why did I spend 6 weeks in Kirugu, Uganda? What makes Rays of Grace special? My answer is simple. In Kirugu, Uganda Jesus is working in hearts and lives and I want to be a part of this! This answer was made clear on Eid, the Muslim holy day.

On Eid, the children don't have school because it is a national holiday. Kirugu is 90 percent Muslim, so it's understandable that some of our students are Muslim. In the morning, many of our girls put on hijabs and a pickup arrives to take the Muslim children to the mosque. After dinner, all the children return to Rays of Grace, and they gather for prayers. Many of the girls who wore hijabs a few hours earlier join us. On Eid, the children sang louder, almost shouting to praise Jesus! The boys beat their drums, and the girls danced with hands raised to the sky. As we danced under the setting sun, I felt the delight of the Lord. I felt unshakeable joy as our voices grew louder and louder. That night, the village celebrated Eid, but at Rays of Grace their prayers were drowned out with songs of praise to the True King.

The next morning, one of the Muslim girls told me her story. She told me that her family is Muslim, but she believes in Jesus. As weeks past, I heard more stories just like hers! At Rays of Grace, the light of Christ is spreading. This is our heartbeat. This is what makes our school special.

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So, thank you. Thank you for faithfully supported our ministry prayers, time, and gifts. Because of God's provision and your support, our students know that they are children of the One True King! Please join us in praying that in Kirugu, Uganda families will know the Lord as their Provider and Savior.



*No one will be remembered for
what they just planned to do.*



HFF WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP

One of our primary goals is to empower women in Uganda because we believe women are the key to healthy communities. In Uganda, women are often the sole caregivers for children. We support these women through our Women's

Groups. In Kirugu District, we train over 150 women to start businesses and to save money. Most of our women have children at Rays of Grace. When these mothers go through our training they are able to pay their school fees! The women also set aside funds to

support group members when they experience hardships. We have seen some incredible success stories from women who are using our training and micro-loans pull their families out of poverty. Here are a few of the businesses they've started!

By Michaela Marcy

GET TO KNOW SOME OF OUR

WONDERFUL & POWERFUL WOMEN

Our women are pillars in their communities! We believe we are training leaders who will provide sustainable care for many generations. See what HFF has impacted for them in their lives:



Meet Naureen

Naureen supports two kids at Rays of Grace with her hog farm! Because her farm has been so successful, she shares farming advice with other women in the group. She is a born leader. She now has HOPE for her FUTURE!



Meet Nalongo Menya

Nalongo is one of the group's treasurer. She helps support 5 grandkids at Rays of Grace. This position has opened many doors for her and allows her to keep all 5 of her grandkids in school.

She is one amazing lady who now has HOPE for her FUTURE! Love these two smiles, they are simply PRICELESS!



Meet Katushabe Aisha

Katushabe Aisha has ran the most successful store in Kirugu, Uganda for the past 2 years. She sells beautiful bags, candy, treats, and more! She is one organized business woman and has shown the success of being a part of our Women's Empowerment Program.

Meet Fatuma Namubim

Fatuma Namubim weaves beautiful mats and baskets! She often times sells out faster than she can produce her mats. Being a part of HFF's program has given her a whole new confidence and stability to her once very unhopeful future.



Meet Pulukeliya Namwenge

At 70-years-old Pulukeliya Namwenge, started with one cow, and now she is a successful cattle, corn, and beans farmer. She is one of the hardest workers in our groups! Namwenge makes \$27 each month. Age is nothing but a number for this entrepreneur. She now has HOPE for her FUTURE!

Meet Shamim

Shamim grows maize and beans to pay for medicine and education. She is able to financially support her 3 children that currently attend Rays of Grace. She loves the camaraderie she has developed with the other women in the group and is excited for both herself and her family's future.



Meet Perusi

Perusi is a hardworking member of our women's groups. She says, "The group helps me save all year!" Each week, she saves \$3. This money is used to care for her family and to buy cattle. Her seven kids attend Rays of Grace and she is excited to give her kids hope and even more of a future than what she was given.



Meet Christine

Christine supports 4 children at Rays of Grace by selling delicious tomatoes to her surrounding communities! She has taken on a bigger leadership role and now acts as chairperson for our women's groups. Many women look up to Christine and she often provides great advice to the other women.



JOIN OUR GUARDIAN ANGEL PROGRAM



BECOME ONE OF HFF's GUARDIAN ANGELS



MEET VINCENT MULEMA

I want to become an Engineer and national soccer player.

Age: 15 Birthyear: 2003

Vincent lost his father in 2007 when he was 4 years old. Since this tragic event, his family has been struggling for survival, supported by his mother who is not in good health. Vincent was awarded a scholarship at Rays of Grace because of his excellent soccer skills. After completing primary school, Vincent is worried of what he will be doing next because the scholarship ends at primary level. His mother struggles to feed the whole family and pay school fees for Vincent. We are looking for a family to help sponsor Vincent and support his amazing dreams through secondary school and University.

MEET RIHANNA NALUNKUMA

When I grow up I want to be a Teacher!

Age: 8 Birthyear: 2010

Rihanna was neglected by her father when she was 5 years old, with one parent, she lives with her mother and her younger sisters. Her mother struggles to provide for her kids by cleaning her neighbors' clothes to get money to pay for accommodation and feeding. Rihanna is growing up in a poor, semi-urban area in Uganda. Rihanna enjoys drawing, dancing, reading and playing netball. Unfortunately her mother can't afford taking her to school everyday. so Rihanna stays home to baby sit her younger sisters. Your sponsorship commitment will help guarantee Rihanna stays in school and provide Rihanna with all classroom requirements, personal needs and education.

Are you wanting to make a personal and lifetime impact on one of our amazing kids?

You have an amazing opportunity to become one of HFF's Guardian Angels. As a Guardian Angel, you will be supporting one of our need-based Rays of Grace kids. You will be lifting them up, helping guide them to graduation, and their personal prayer warrior. For just \$50.00 a month, you are helping our dream-seeking kids pay for schooling, boarding, clothes, food and any hygiene or medical needs in order to help them spread their wings and fly. If you are interested in joining our Guardian Angel Program or would like more information, please give us a call at **(303) 949 - 0831**.



MEET NESTROY SSENTONGO

When I grow up I want to be a doctor!

Age: 10 Birthdate: July 15th, 2008

Nestroy is the eldest of three children. His parents depend entirely on subsistence farming for survival. On harvesting, most of the produce is consumed and a little is sold to pay for the children's education. Unfortunately, income from the sale of farm produce cannot sustain their kid's needs including education, health, clothing and utilities. Nestroy studies at Rays of Grace Junior School but his future at the school is uncertain given the fact that his parents do not have any hope of raising fees for next term.

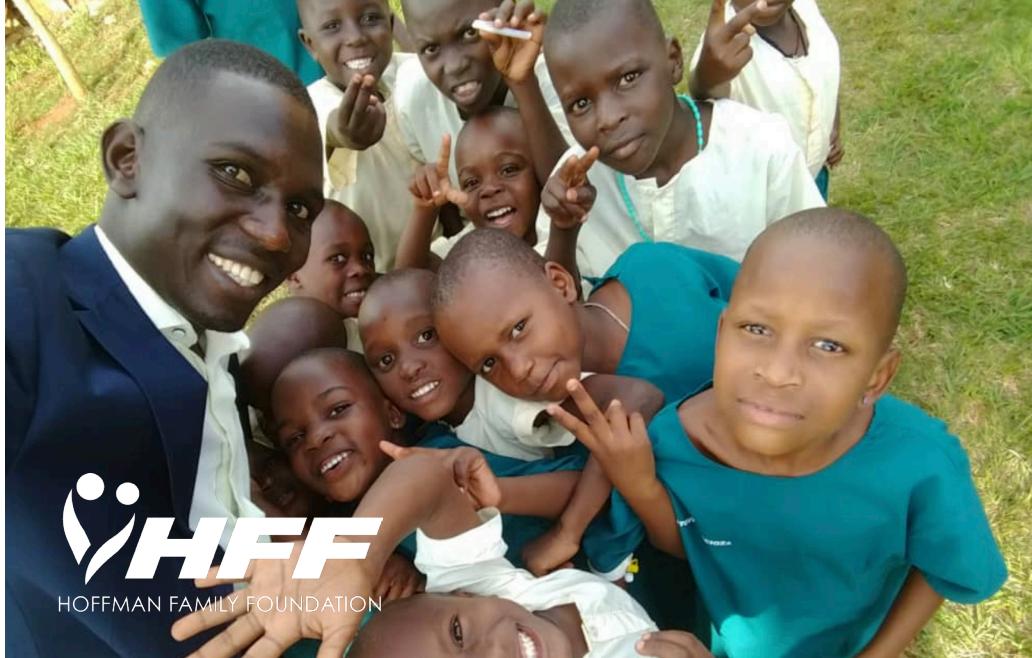


MEET SUDAIS MUDU AWURILA

When I grow up I want to be a Mechanical Engineer

Age: 15 Birthday: July 15th, 2003

Sudais lives with his grandmother and four siblings. When his father died of heart failure in 2014, Sudais' mother faced an uphill task of having to provide food and shelter for the five children. The family was evicted from the house they were renting in Kirugu prompting their mother to seek refuge from Sudais' grandmother. He later developed Asthma and dropped out of school because his mother could not afford medical care and school fees. For three months, Sudais stood at the gate of Rays of Grace Junior School begging to be let in to attend class. Our school administration has taken Sudais in and are quickly trying to raise the funds to keep him at our school.



OUR NEXT PROJECTS

IMMEDIATE FUNDING NEEDED!

1. Nursery and Kindergarten Program - \$30,000

We need to build a five room Preschool/kindergarten with a separate playground area. Right now this is being housed in part of the girls side of the dormitory. This designated toddler space and facility are required by the Ugandan Government in order to continue to run Rays of Grace Primary School. This is a top priority project for HFF and need all of our sponsors to help us raise these funds quickly.

2. Soccer Field and Sports Complex - \$19,000

As our teams continue to win big tournaments, a need for a private soccer field and sports complex has become very apparent. This facility would allow our students and athletes to train within the safety of the compounds of Rays of Grace and be able to utilize this field for competitive tournaments, specialized training, and avoid interruptions with the community soccer field programs.

Would you prayerfully consider partnering with us to accomplish these needs?

It is so exciting that more children are wanting to join our school and God is paving the way for new souls to be impacted with such great love. We are working in excellence and the news is spreading. It is such an exciting adventure to be a part of building God's kingdom on this earth for His Glory.



The Hoffman Family Foundation's Vision is to leave a legacy of love, transforming lives and communities around the world.

Hoffman Family Foundation Mail-In Donation Form

Leave a Legacy of Love - Donate Today and Start Transforming Lives and Communities. The Hoffman Family Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization in the USA and all donations are 100% Tax Deductible. EIN 38-3945350. Please make checks payable to: Hoffman Family Foundation. 100% of your donation goes directly towards the current project we're working on.

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**WHERE I AM TODAY IS
PREPARING ME FOR WHERE
GOD WILL TAKE ME
TOMORROW.**

**I KNOW THAT I HAVE BEEN
FORMED WITH A PURPOSE.**

**TODAY, I WILL
ENJOY MY JOURNEY.**



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