

ANNUAL PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT REPORT

**MOUNTAINS OF HOPE CHILDRENS MINISTRIES UGANDA
JUNE 2008- JUNE 2009**



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Lastly and above all, to the almighty God for allowing our sponsors to have favor to continue providing resources to us and giving us the grace and wisdom that we needed during implementation.

AFFIRMATION

This is to affirm that materials and data presented in this report are on activities carried out in Mountains of hope children's ministries/orphanage. The data, facts and figures and opinion is as presented by the different stakeholders during financial year 2008-2009. The report was compiled by Mountains of hope children's ministries staff.

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

MOH	Mountains of hope
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
FY	Financial Year
HIV	Human Immune Virus
IGA	Income Generating Activities
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
PHAs	People Living With HIV and AIDS
TBAs	Traditional Birth Attendants
VCT	Voluntary counseling and testing
CHWs	Community health workers
CBOs	Community Based organisations

INTRODUCTION

The report captures program activities carried out during financial year 2008-2009 for all the three projects in the ministry that include , Sponsorship management, Hope child and Education projects. The overall goal of the orphanage **is to contribute to the improvement in the quality of life for the Children of Mpigi district by the end of 2020.**

The report in addition captures the Program progress, change stories focusing in the areas of Sponsorship, education and challenges faced during the year. Activities were implemented by contribution from the staff and communities and are aimed at reduction of child abuse, poverty reduction, food security, and increased literacy levels of the targeted orphan children.

1.0 PROGRAMME PROFILE

Organization's Name	Mountains of hope children's ministries Uganda
List of the contributing projects to the Programme	Education project Sponsorship HIV and AIDS prevention
location	Kavuga village, Mawokota sub-county-Mpigi district
Date of last Programme Evaluation Report	January 2008
Funding source	Individual sponsors, members subscriptions,

	fundraising activities and sale of necklaces
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2.0 NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF THE PROGRESS

The overall goal of Mountains of hope children's ministries/orphanage Uganda Program is to contribute to the improvement in the quality of life of orphan children of Mpigi district through interventions in Education, Sponsorship, and HIV & AIDS prevention special .

- During the year, the education project aimed at increasing opportunities for registered orphan children to access quality Education and skills by contributing to payments of school fees for the orphans, provision of improved studying environment. As a result currently 45(19m, 26f) children are benefiting from free education with fees provided by the orphanage.
- The orphans at the orphanage embarked on making necklaces using the locally available materials like papers for making beads, Ugandan clay for making key holders, phone holders, earrings etc which were sent to the United

states of America for sale, the money raised from the sale of necklaces, earrings, key holders etc is used to cater for the orphans needs such as medication, food, clothing and other scholastic materials.

- In sponsorship the major purpose is to have quality of life of 45girls and boys in the orphanage through Child Sponsorship. During the year most of the children have been able to acquire scholastic materials and clothes for themselves through their sponsors.
- The HIV/AIDS project aimed at lowering HIV/AIDS prevalence rates and providing coping mechanisms of students at primary and secondary schools infected and affected with HIV/AIDS. This was done through prevention strategies among the 5-18 years, care and support to OVC and PHAs and networking with other partners and CBOs.
 1. The HIV/AIDS prevention project carried out several trainings for life skill teachers in secondary schools and refresher trainings for the primary school life skill teachers using the adventure unlimited curriculums. During the year 12 life skill teachers were supported to train other children. The schools were in addition supported with talking compounds that send out HIV/AIDS and educative messages to the entire school.

2.0.0: Next FY plan 2009/2010

- HIV/AIDS programme is aimed at lowering HIV/AIDS prevalence rates and providing coping mechanisms of students at primary and secondary schools infected and affected with HIV/AIDS. This will be done through prevention strategies among the 5-18 years, care and support to OVC and PHAs and networking with other partners and CBOs
- In HIV/AIDS prevention we shall carry out several trainings for the primary school life skill teachers using the choose adventure unlimited curriculums. During the year 12 life skills teachers will be supported to train other children.
- We are planning to purchase 10 acres of land and construct an orphanage, primary, secondary, vocational centre and a clinic, we want to provide free treatment and education to the unprivileged members of the community.

3.0 MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGE STORY

Some of the activities that have been reported as successful during the year include:

SPONSORSHIP

Most people believe that children cannot participate or bring a change in their communities but children of Mountains of hope children's ministries disproved this belief under the leadership of Viola Nakandi who is primary six and 13 years old orphan girl. They organized themselves at the orphanage to help the community protect the only bore hole, clear the bush around and also dig the road that leads to the borehole. Viola says that it was quite easy to mobilise the children, she was also and was surprised that they responded to the idea. There had been many cases of snake bites and children were really afraid that one time a person may die.



As a leader, she was the first person on site and two others and as the day went by, the other children continued with their hoes, pangas and slashers. By 10:00am all children had gathered at the site and the great work was going on. The older boys had to slash, cut the poles and make a fence around the borehole so that people may be orderly as they fetch the water while all the girls and the young boys concentrated on clearing the bush and digging the road. And by the end of the day they had achieved their goals. It was amazing to see the joy with which the work was done. It gave them an opportunity to interact as children. We hope that they will be able to do much more in the coming years.

4.0 CHALLENGES

- Rampant child abuse, which include; early marriages and defilement still remain a challenge in addressing HIV and AIDS pandemic among children.
- Finding donors to fund the activities of the orphanage is a challenge hence causing food shortage, difficulties in paying rent, inability to launch website for the orphanage, amongst other challenges at the orphanage.
- A big number of orphan children in the district, orphans are being brought in the orphanage every other time hence causing too much work with little funds.

5.1 PHOTOGRAPHS



Orphans making necklaces for sale to raise funds for their medication



One of the kids putting on the product



Papyrus house that used to house an orphan



James and Lilian the founders of the Ministry (orphanage)



There is kindergarten at the orphanage where children study from

5.2 LIST OF STAKEHOLDERS

- 1 Mpigi town council local government.
- 2 Mpigi primary and secondary schools.
- 3 Community of Mpigi district
- 4 Children of the surrounding area
- 5 CBOs and other NGOs

6.0 FINANCIAL YEAR 2008 -2009 ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN

Total Budget	3889dollars
Funder	Individual sponsors, fundraising activities and sale of necklaces
Description of Beneficiaries	All orphan children at the orphanage

Sponsorship has taken a bigger percentage of the budget. This is because the activities were planned in a way that the sponsored children and their families benefit more from the Programme activities.

6.1. PROJECT DIRECT SUPPORT COSTS.

The orphanage's budget has been allocated to all the ministry activities as indicated below: -

Sponsorship - \$1800

Education – \$1100

Administrative costs \$ 989

Total Project funding Budget – \$3889

