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THANK YOU and A MILLION TIMES THANK YOU



I have just arrived from Kampala a few minutes ago with a consignment of medical supplies purchased from the Joint Medical Stores. BARHD and Dr Bruce contributed the money.

Riding with me in the truck was Eliezer Nebaza, an

orphan student from Rurama, who has been a student of Education and Computer Science at Mukono Christian University (UCU)!!!

Eliezer has successfully completed his 3 year course at UCU, with the assistance of Dr Phil Sellers, having paid Eliezer's tuition for 8 years (Junior High-4, High school-2, and 2 years at the University). Dr Bruce Stewart and BARHD financially assisted Eliezer to complete his final year at the University, and gave him a new laptop!!!

This success story is not an ordinary one.....very few (if any) of us would dream of a 12 year Primary 7 level orphan boy, born in one of the most remote villages of Bushenyi district, with no hope at all of continuing with school, who resorts to trading Waragi (a local potent gin), riding the brew in a can on a borrowed bicycle to one of the nearest fishing villages (about 10 miles), exchange the brew for smoked fish which he later brings to the village for sale in order to support his ailing widowed mother and siblings, graduating from a university 9 years later!

We (Eliezer and I) were all smiles during the 5 hours journey from Kampala to Bushenyi. We didn't



talk much on the way except reflecting his not so simple life experience at the University.

Thank you for making a difference. With a truck of medical supplies for 3 rural health clinics, and a

smiling Eliezer, made my day. Eliezer will be teaching at Bishop McAllister School (where he attended high school before joining the university), as a way of giving back to the community. We hope for the best. His personal testimony, skills and aspirations will positively impact on many young Ugandans with whom he will be interacting.

Thank you...Phil, Thank you VOOM, Thank you Dr.Bruce, Thank you BARHD, Thanks to Bishop McAllister school, Thank you all!!!

Sister Ephrance Nuwamanya
BIRD Coordinator

Chairman's Message

2009 has already been a successful year.

The Laura Clinic was formally dedicated in February and just recently a micro-insurance scheme was formalized with a nearby school. The students can now obtain health care for a small fee which will help to enable the clinic to become self-sustaining.

The Dr B Clinic dedication ceremony took place in June and plans are underway to renovate an old building so that it can be used as a maternity ward. This will be the first maternity ward in our four clinics.

With your generous support we are providing secondary education to over 260 students at three schools: Bishop McAllister College, Ryakasinga Center for Higher Education and Kibingo Girls Secondary School.

Tom Wilson

