Outlook for 2023

Four classrooms will be renovated at St. George's School. In the future, a small group of disabled children will be individually supported in one room. The aim is to prepare them for as independent a life as possible after leaving school. We estimate the cost € 12,500.



Four classrooms are in urgent in need of renovation



At **St. Mary's School**, children from two classes are currently still being taught in a board shed. When it rains, they seek shelter in the church. A new building is planned so that regular classes can be held in the future.

Lessons in the board shack

We have calculated costs in the amount of € 25,000.

At **St. Francis Hospital**, the **Physio-Reha** was able to start operations. A dedicated physiotherapist is now treating the first patients with a couch, mat and exercise ball. We want to purchase further important therapy equipment. **The cost of the basic equipment is \in 5,000.**

The huts of three families of our sponsored children will not survive the next year. A house costs € 4,500.

Of course, we are keeping an eye on the current Ebola situation. If necessary, we will provide additional support for the hospital and our sponsored children.

In 2023, the people of Mutolere need your support more than ever. Through your donations, you help to implement projects and fight poverty by helping people to help themselves. We would like to thank you very much for this!

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and your trust!



Please help us to continue the work of **Together for Uganda e.V.** successfully.

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Uganda – Current Situation

At the time of our Autumn 2022 trip, Corona has become a distant memory in everyday life. On market days, the cities are characterized by the colorful hustle and bustle of the many people. The best prices are haggled over, news is exchanged, and happy laughter resounds from everywhere. The long lockdown seems forgotten at first glance.

But the consequences of the pandemic, as well as entirely new challenges posed by the war in Ukraine, are making life difficult for people, especially the poorest.

For a large part of the population, the daily struggle for sufficient food became elementary.

There was already high inflation during the pandemic. Now the war in Ukraine is leading to new price increases. The cost of basic foodstuffs has doubled compared with the previous year. Many people, who have neither land of their own nor a profession due to a lack of education, rely on supplementary

income and look for jobs as day laborers. But these are rare, as the middle classes can no longer afford to hire help to work the fields.

Families are forced to cut back on food. Their children receive only one meal at home, often a simple hot dinner. The money is no longer enough to buy missing food.

In order to generate more income, children increasingly have to help with the heavy field work and can no longer go to school.

Undernourished child

In the midst of this precarious situation, the current outbreak of Ebola in Uganda threatens another lockdown with unforeseeable consequences. The decision has already been made to close the schools again on November 20, three weeks before the regular end of the school year.

Our work in 2022

After almost two years of school closure, it took a great effort to bring our 150 sponsored children back to their institutions. In addition to uniforms and school materials, underwear, stockings and shoes had to be purchased for all of them, as well as mattresses, blankets and towels for the boarding school children. In some cases, it was necessary to talk to the relatives, who did not want to do without the children's labor as they grew older or were in poor health.

Almost all problems could be solved successfully. We are pleased that most of the sponsored children will finish the year successfully, as their teachers assured us.



Before Christmas, a small trainina center in Kabale amount of money is paid

to the families of the sponsored children, which they can use to buy clothing and food as needed.



Dance at the orphans meeting

In the meantime, the weekly orphan meetings are taking place again. Currently, 330 children are cared for by Sister Katto and her team. They receive a meal, learn traditional songs and dances, They are given tips on healthy eating

and other aspects of daily life, and are also allowed to simply be children, enjoy their free time, read a book or play with a ball and rope.

In emergency situations, we provided individual assistance as usual. For example, we covered the cost of treating children and relatives, and this year we built two new houses for families whose homes were in danger of collapsing.



The first incubator

During the year, construction work was completed on the premature infants' ward at St. Francis Hospital. A stable power supply for incubators and other life-support equipment was also ensured by means of a dedicated solar power with system rechargeable batteries. More equipment will arrive from Kampala by Christmas so that the ward can be fully operational. Efforts are already underway to provide optimal care

for children with postpartum difficulties. To this end, the hospital in Mutolere cooperates with a specialized ward in Kisoro, where nurses have completed advanced training courses. In addition, the pediatrician of the ward comes to Mutolere one afternoon a week to train the staff in dealing with newborns.

At St. George's Primary School, we were able to build new toilet facilities. wash houses and water tanks. The cost of water for the school has since been halved. The money saved was used to finance a copier and two building blocks were repainted.



Sister Macleen is happy, for the first time a washhouse with roof

150 children receive a hot meal at Mutolere Primary School. Without this help, their families would no longer be able to ensure the children's nutrition. In order to support further poor families and enable their children to attend school, we provided 250 school uniforms free of charge.