

Dear EGO Partners,

Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause. Isaiah 1:17 ESV

Praise the Lord, we now have water pumped to the school!!! All glory be to God!!!



It is an absolute miracle of God that this project was even started say nothing of the completion. The government had completely shut down any new projects or any visitors being admitted to the Nakivale Refugee Settlement due to the Ebola virus variant outbreak in the Congo, DRC.

"But God..." The Lord intervened with a Christian man, Mr, Frank, from the OPM office (Office of Prime Minister) who diligently worked on our behalf. We also had a team of teachers from the Emmaus school who were extremely helpful with translation and interpretation of special terms.

The OPM office did not like the way the contract

was written, so we spent most of a day with two lawyers and Davis & Shirliff, our contractor, to rewrite the contract to conform to their requirements.

It was resubmitted, with a plea to let this project proceed because it was helping a primary school for orphan refugees. We also asked, that I might have permission to enter the Nakivale Settlement as the

project

overseer, as we are the supporter of the project and I had traveled from the USA for this purpose.



The next 24 hours was a waiting game. We were praying that the project would get permission to start even if I was denied access. The project engineer said he would take photos for me if I was denied access. Finally the call came, the project could continue and I was also granted access. Only



God could have changed the minds of the government officials after such a strong mandate. And I certainly do not disagree with the mandate, as they are doing their best to reduce any exposure to the Ebola virus variant.

So the project started 5 days later than planned, and again, "But God." The

construction that was originally scheduled to take 5 or 6 days, which I thought that was aggressive, was completed in just over two days. I am telling you that this can only be explained as a miracle! From the delivery of the materials, the removal of the old hand pump, digging the trench for the water pipe in very hard compacted soil.....AND the installation of the new solar pump and solar panels. Glory to God!!!!



I want to commend the Davis & Shirliff Company and their engineer, Eziron, for their dedication to this project. They went above and beyond what was required to complete this project before I had to leave Uganda.



So, what effect does this project really have on the school and surrounding community?

These last couple of photos might give some indication of the importance of clean water for the school.



The first, is the yellow gerry cans waiting to be filled at the Settlement water tap. That tap is only turned on a couple times per week and then only for a few hours. So if you are not one of the lucky few that are first in line you have to wait a couple more days to get your water.



The second photo are of boys getting their family's water from a muddy pool that is used by cattle and goats. It is a polluted cesspool of filthy water and harmful bacteria.

I hope you now see indications of how valuable and necessary your prayers and financial support are for the Emmaus school. Thank you and God bless you.



We do not know why God has chosen us to be a part of His work in Uganda, but we continue to be extremely humbled to be participants.

Prayer requests:

- May the Ebola virus variant be contained and protection be granted for all the people of Uganda.
- For God's Word to be preached in Uganda and all people will be led to salvation in Christ Jesus
- For more people on this large Refugee Settlement will have access to clean water.
- We are also praying and asking the Lord to make a way for the students at Emmaus be provided at least one meal per day at the school.

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
(1 Thes 1:2-3).

Lovingly in Christ,

Ken & Bev

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