



Global Challenge

Newsletter

Welcome,

to the first summer edition of the Global Challenge Newsletter. We've had so much going on this year we thought we'd start a summer update for you.

Much as in 2020, this year has seen filled with challenges, however, we've also received many blessings and are excited for better times to come. Here's what we've been up to.....

Fundraising

With thanks to our generous supporters we have raised £3,853.48 so far this year!

40 Acts of Kindness

For Lent this year we asked people to support GC with an alternative version of lent. Instead of giving something up, people donated towards specific needs of the people of Soroti.

Family Variety Show

On Sunday 16th May we hosted our first ever Family Variety Show online via youtube. We had a fantastic time raising £1,396 with amazing acts and performers. The show can still be viewed on Youtube by donating at:
<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/GlobalChallengeCharity>



Vision and Objectives

Due to more down-time this year because of the Covid-19 pandemic the trustees decided to take the opportunity to step back and re-evaluate the Vision and Objectives for GC.

We feel our new Vision statement encapsulates both GC's previous work and our aims for the future of the charity.

Check out the full statement on our website.

Our new Vision:

“Enabling better health, education and quality of life through sustainable partnerships with local communities in Soroti, Uganda.”

Introducing

“My name is Tracey and I have recently been given the responsibility of the Global Challenge website. I hope to reach out to as many people as possible with the aim of inspiring and impacting more lives. I will keep the supporters of Global Challenge up to date on all the projects and initiatives, as well as create a worthwhile dialogue with our partners in Uganda. There are stories bursting to be told and I want to share them with you!”



Tracey Mason

Crossroads



The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on Crossroad Secondary School. As well as S4 preparing for and sitting their National exams this term, S3 and S1 have returned and S2 are about to. Approximately 100 students have been attending at any one time. Pupils will hopefully be receiving new textbooks this year. The school has just had a visit from the inspectorate who were satisfied with the adherence to Covid compliance procedures so far.

Challenges met as students return, include:

- lack of finance to pay even the basic of fees
- lack of clothing and sanitary needs
- family issues e.g. maltreatment, sexual abuse, neglect.

A counsellor has been invited in to speak to the girls and some boys who are severely affected.

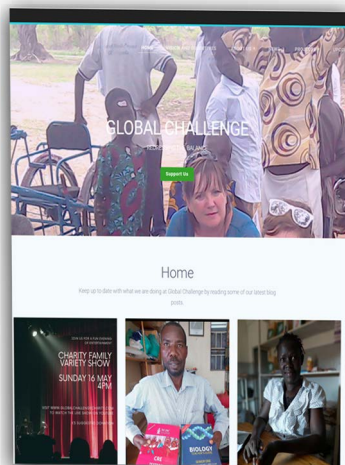
Special Needs

Some achievements over the last 6 months:

- Paid for 6 gluteal fibrosis operations for children with chronic bone infections.
- Pupils at Ngora school for the Deaf are doing well. Peter has completed his primary exams (he was one of the first pupils we sponsored there). Aloyisus is learning American Sign Language, tailoring and woodwork.
- Provided wheelchairs for two more children (Simon and Brian).
- As part of the livestock project; 3 families now have goats and 3 additional families have pairs of chickens.
- Loyce is recovering from breast cancer and treatment in Kampala.

Some sad news for our volunteers:

- Possiano lost his cattle to disease, but GC have been able to give him a fresh start with some fishing nets.
- Rose has lost her eye sight. She now lives with her parents but will continue to help GC in whatever way she can. Our special needs co-ordinator is ensuring she has the support she needs.



Social media

We've been working hard on updating our social media and internet presence. Our website has had a facelift. Check it out at: www.globalchallengecharity.com

Did you know? You can now donate to Global Challenge through Facebook, either by visiting our page: facebook.com/globalchallengecharity and clicking the 'Donate' button or by fundraising to your friends. Simply create a post on your profile, select 'Raise Money' and then choose Global Challenge. N.B. We aren't the only Global Challenge on Facebook so be careful to select us.

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