

## Welcome Home Ministries – Africa

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To Love, Care, and Pray Destitute Babies Back to Health; or into Jesus Loving Arms



Above Samosas, the kids' favorite treat



Above Thankful for party and special food.



Above: Samosa with vegetables & cow peas.



Above: Banana with passion fruit and ice cream.



Dear Welcome Home Friends and Family,

We invite you today to have a glimpse into one of our parties that have become quite a hit - with the children, staff and visitors. These parties are held 3 to 4 times a year, when Mandy is visiting. Key elements of any party we have are masses of balloons blown up by a hand pump, singing and traditional Ugandan dancing by the children and staff plus special presentations by the older children.

To further develop the children's social skills and confidence Annemie (visiting from Holland) has taught the Welcome Home version of the Tango, Samba and Twist - for which each dance has its own song. All the children love to be danced with and are often seen to partner with each other when playing. It is fun to watch them ask each other to dance.

It is so special to watch the healing transformation in the children when all present, including adults become involved in balloon fights with each other. As the children realize they are being "beaten up with a balloon' instead of the harshness they have come from, you can see the fear leave their little lives. Even the tiny ones love us to stoop down so they can get to attack us and beat us up with their balloons.

The menu never varies much. Samosas (Indian savory pastry), vegetables, juice & desserts of any kind make them happy. Typical children - they love sweets.

Thank you for your continued love and support.

The children are happy!!

Blessings from Mandy
and Your Welcome Home Family



Above: All the children love balloons.



Above: balloon fights bring healing



Above: Social skills from dancing together.



Above: All the children love home made cookies.

PREEMIES 3 Caleb, ,John, Juliana, Mandy, Michael, Paul, Peter, Phillip, BABIES 23 Amanda, Beatrice N, Diana, Emmanuel L, Emmanuel O, Faith, Gordon, Jane, Jeremy, Jerome, Jesse, Jordan K, Jude, Lawrence, Linda, Lizzie, Moses K, Phillip, Pius, Richard, Steven, Susan, Timothy Toddlers 30 Andrew, Beatrice, Benjamin, David, Debra, Erina, Hope, Isaac, Jenny, John, Joseph Of, Josiah, Juliet, Luke, Mark, Mark Smith, Martha, Mathew, Moses, Oscar, Owen, Patricia, Peter, Rebecca A, Rebecca N, Ryan, Samson, Samuel, Seth, Simone.

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