



Welcome Home Ministries – Africa February 2011

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

2011



Rachael's progress from admission.



Rachael's blond thin hair = Malnutrition.



Rachael trusting Jennie from Holland.

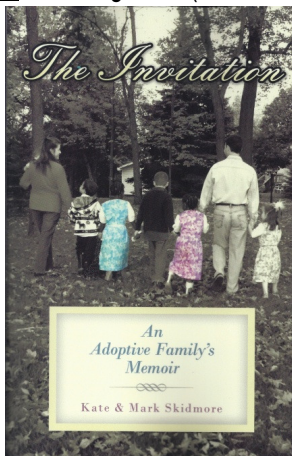
Dear Welcome Home Friends and Family,

This past month has been a time of settling down after the Christmas and New Year celebration - back to life as normal, without the party atmosphere. School outside the home in the local community is starting for over twenty of them. This will be very exciting but quite scary for some of them. Adjustments are not easy for any one. Pre School continues at the home for the younger ones. Please pray that the children can grasp the things that they are being taught. For some who just sat unattended and un-stimulated for days before they came to us it is tough. It is also hard on the ones who suffer more with rejection issues as they would rather not try than fail and risk feeling rejected again. Even some of our children who have been adopted still struggle with bonding and trust issues with their new families and many have fear of rejection and abandonment to overcome. It takes time and a lot of love and prayer. School for some of them at first is a huge stretch. We are trying our best for all of them to help them overcome the hurts and fears of their early lives.

A Welcome Home adoption story: an enjoyable read

The Invitation ~ An Adoptive Family's Memoir, by Kate and Mark Skidmore. published by West Bow Press is now available at www.westbowpress.com/bookstore. Lansing, MI (Jan 26,

2011) **The Invitation** is a touching memoir that describes one family's adoption adventure. This story weaves together the surprise and joy of becoming the adoptive family of two Ugandan girls. You will laugh and cry, cheer and hope as the family negotiates the frustrations and obstacles on this sojourn to retrieve their girls from a third world orphanage on the other side of the world. The book will captivate readers with interests in family-design, application of Christian values, international adoption, and those seeking inspiration for their life purpose. This story will bring every reader face to face with the question, **“What about you?”**



Mandy's Comments Our adoptive process no longer needs a trip to Kenya. The love and nurture the children are given does help them to overcome so they can do well in life.

Oscar (picture on bottom right) needs a medical adoption, now in good recovery from surgery for Hydrocephalus.

We want to thank you as you help make all this possible through your support, and the many who volunteer, like Jennie and Bernice.

Blessings from Your Welcome Home Family



Our Teacher Christine.



Mercy helping with class.



Bernice from Holland with Naomi.



Oscar needs medical placement.

PREMIES (11) Annemie, Andrew, Beatrice, Caroline, Hellen, Hellen J, Henry, Hope, Jacob, Joseph, Oscar, Christopher, Dean, Esther, Evelien, Ian, **Jesse**, Joshua Gimayi, Josiah, Marlinde, Megan, Patrick, Ronald.

BABIES (15) Adam, Christine L, Christine N,

Charles, David, Davina, Dennis, Edwin, Elizabeth, Emmanuel, Evan. Faith, Gloria Misaki, Grace Kisakye, Henry, Henry L, James K, Joel, Jonan, Katrina, Lydia, Martina Nakato, Mary, Mercy, Naomi Gift, Nickolas, Nick, Onduro Gloria, Owen, Paul (Nino), Patricia, Rachael, Rebecca, **Rebecca A**, Ryan, Samuel W, Shiba, Spencer, Tonney, Victor, Wilson

TODDLERS(39) Charity, Charity E,

[**NEW (bold)**, MOVED (Underlined) Twins not Identified]

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