

## Welcome Home Ministries – Africa

September

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

2009



Village teams head out with volunteers.



A young village girl responding to the team.



Village children all babysit their siblings.



Adults have their own study now.

Reaching the adults helps the lives of the children improve dramatically.

## Dear Welcome Home Friends & Family,

This has been a quiet but busy month for us at Welcome Home. Thank you so much for your faithful support, prayers and notes of encouragement. You are very much appreciated. Without you we would not be able to make a difference in so many lives.

We rejoice that **William** (who is doing studies at evening school) now has the help of our <u>Social Worker</u> **Hope** – she just completed her studies at the end of July. Now as full time worker she brings with her the training and skills to help with a lot of the admissions and placement of the children. She will be doing a lot more of the follow up of children who have returned to the village and will work with the remnant family of those children preparing to go home to the village.

**Hope** will also be working with the 15 children who will be making a big transition onto extension orphanage care because their age. This transition is going to be a big change for the children so please pray this next month for them as we are preparing them for their move scheduled for October, mostly to Watoto.

Repairs on the house are nearly done. There is just the painting left to happen, and it will start in the Preemie House. We really appreciate how the Mahdvani Corporation has worked with us and our 65 plus children to do all the needed repairs in every room of the house. Their workers have done a great job. We are waiting for their painting crew to be available.

We have continued to make our own improvements around the home. Joel's picture to the right is taken in the new big **baby play area**. It has a metal picket fence to defeat the termites. The picture below it is of the pathway and **new cement floor to our newly canvas gazebo** where the preschoolers meet for class. This used to be quite muddy after the rain.

Market day for our staff while the children have their afternoon nap is a big hit. Most of our staff make craft items that they sell on specified market days. It has boosted their income. These are mostly purchased by the volunteers who buy gifts to take home.

Our Village Teams are making quite an impact in the villages, schools, prisons and hospitals and families of our children. It has been wonderful to see the response in the village children. It is now really very rewarding to see the adults hungry to be taught the word of God but also the practical things of how to nutritionally care for their children. With them responding to teaching many children have been able receive the care they need at home with their family instead of having to come into the home to stay.

If anyone has any donatable "Frequent Flyer Miles" that work with British Airways, Mandy would be very happy to receive them. Tickets back and forth to Uganda are quite expensive. Some people have "Miles" they do not intend to use. Contacted her at the email LMSydo@sbcglobal.net

Blessings from Your Welcome Home Family



Joel was starving (April 2008), now thriving



Pre-School Gazebo now has Cement floor.



Market day to sell staff merchandise.



Susan continues to improve

PREEMIES (8) ADAM, AGNES, Alex, Christopher, Christie, Christine, Joshua Gimey, Megan, Kisakye, Henry, Joel, Joram Latif, Luke, Mark, Olivia, Onduro Gloria, Resty Kako, Ryan, Spencer, Susan, Wilson TODDLERS (40) Allan M., Andrew Okirior, Brenda, Brian, Charles, Elizabeth, Emmanuel, Gloria Misaki, Gloria Sakira, Grace, Immaculate, James K.,, James Waiswa twin. Jaqueline (Jackie), Jeremiah, Joanita, Jonah, Jonathan, Joyce Kisakye, Lukas, Margaret, Maria, Martin, Matthew, Noah, Owen, Paul (Nino), Peter (Kaita), Pius, Rachel Mukisa, Resty N, Richard, Seth, Shiba & Jonan (twins), Veronica Rose, Victor Steven (village) [NEW (bold), MOVED (Underlined)]