



Baby Ian a new admission.



Mercy and Nick siblings- new admissions.



Samuel new admission.



Sick village baby – Malaria & Malnutrition



Village little one - sick with Malaria.

## *Dear Welcome Home Friends and Family,*

It is with a heavy heart that I sit to write this next month's letter. As someone who carries the burden for the care of our children in Uganda my heart goes out to the ones doing so for the children of Haiti. I need to continue to be faithful to my children in Uganda but also be part of the answer for Haiti. **Our staff in Uganda and our older children are aware of the devastation that has happened and have joined daily with our home base here in the USA to pray for Haiti, for the orphans, the massive medical needs, clean water, food, and for the restoration of the country.** We at our Home Base in the USA are personally involved helping to send a medical team and supplies to meet immediate needs.

**Our latest admissions** this past month are **Magumba Misaka lan age 10 months** brought to us by his grandma who is unable to care for him as she is old and very poor. His mother has become very mentally disturbed and is totally unable to care for him. **Siblings Mercy Flavia Asibazoyo age 6** and **Nick Apiku Junior age 3** - father killed front lines Uganda army, mother whereabouts unknown & Aunt can't afford to keep them as she has many children. **Samuel Hodgkins age 3** (estimated) was abandoned in a hotel, brought to us by the police. Pray as they settle, and for needed families.

**In Uganda poverty is a big unrelenting battle,** and we have had many new children admitted to the home whose little lives would be lost without our intervention. **We thank you** for your continued partnership with us as it enables us to touch so many children's lives. **We Marvel** at the wonderful giving hearts of people who support us, and also those who open their hearts and homes up to adopt our orphan children, some of whom have mild to severe medical needs.

**Many of you have asked me for follow up on Susan.** It is a joy to share a group of pictures of **Susan** born 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2006 from her day of admission to the home until now. What a difference good medical treatment, nutritious food and formula plus loving attention has made over the last 2 years. At first she struggled to crawl because her knees were so boney it hurt a lot. Then it was a struggle to stand because she was used to having her legs around her mums back for so long. Walking was also a struggle as it was quite painful at first. Then it was the learning to talk. At first she would only communicate with the children, now it is also to her trusted adults. She has been doing a good job of catch up and is now functioning up with our older children. She is a beautiful little girl.

**The poverty crisis that is hitting many more families in Uganda** is due to the big rise in the cost of living. It has really hurt many families that were only just coping before. We are having **village mums come** and seek help from us to be able to get the life saving medical care that their child needs. A child sick with Malaria will very often die or be brain damaged without the needed antibiotics. Immediate care can save their lives. We are trying to come in early with treatment so that the children have a very good chance of making it. A delay of a day with a small child can be devastating.

## *Blessings from Your Welcome Home Family*



Susan - end April 2008.



Susan - end May 2008.



Susan - July 2008.



Susan - 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010

**PREMIERS (6)** ADAM, AGNES, Christine N, Dean, Ian, Julius. **BABIES (17)** Alex, Christine L Christopher, Esther, Faith & Nickolas Twins, Grace Kisakye, Joshua Gimeyi, Josiah, Katrina, Megan, Naomi Gift, Olivia, Onduro Gloria, Patrick, Resty Kako, Ruth... **TODDLERS(36)** Allan M., Benjamin, Brenda, Brian, Charles, David, Edwin, Elizabeth, Gloria Misaki, Gloria Sakira, Henry, Immaculate, James K, James Waiswa twin, Jessica Pretty, Joanita, Joel, Joram Latif, Martin, Matthew, Mark, Mercy, Nick, Owen, Paul (Nino), Peter (Kayita), Resty N, Ryan, Samuel, Seth, Shiba & Jonan (twins), Spencer, Susan, Victor, Wilson.   
[ **NEW (bold), MOVED (Underlined)** ]

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