

# Uganda Unfolding

## Educational Care in Uganda

**“And God will wipe away every tear and there will be no more mourning nor will there be any weeping any more.”**

Jessica stood before the class to share her story of a time when God had wiped away her tears.

“I was in secondary 4 and it was in the qualifying term when we write our final exams to graduate. My mother could only come up with 500 shillings, but the total cost of school fees was 1.4 million shillings. Without the money, I could not write the exams and my year would be wasted. I would need to repeat the entire year again. My mother had no way of getting any more money.

I was so depressed; I just lay on my bed. I couldn't even pray. But I had a friend, Prossie. She told me she would pray for me. Then she had the idea of asking school mates to give what they could to help me and got permission from the school authorities to call a meeting of the students. So she asked me to come to school and I stood before them. The students collected money and the amount came to 500 shillings.

But I was still lacking the money I needed. I have family members who are rich, but they were not



willing to help me. Then my brother, who has now passed, I don't know why God took him, gave me 400 shillings. Now I had *exactly* the amount of money I needed to finish my schooling. That was the time I really experienced God wiping away my tears,” she said, as she wiped away her tears.

### New Doors are Opening!



I am delighted for a new opportunity to teach nursery school teachers at Gate of Hope in Kaihura. These are often young people who performed poorly in secondary school, and so opt to become nursery school teachers. They are teaching children as young as three years old; often in environments with few learning resources, sometimes very large classes, and also teaching the children a new language, English.

## Prayer & Praise

### PRAISE

- ◆ For the warm welcomes from ministry partners and friends on my return to Uganda
- ◆ For positive feedback on recent trainings that have taken place
- ◆ For opportunities to begin training in new areas with new ministry partners
- ◆ For restored health and energy-this year I am celebrating Christmas instead of sleeping through it!
- ◆ 50% of my support needs have been met by midyear!

### PRAYER

- ◆ For safety on the roads as I travel to training sites around Uganda during this busy Christmas season
- ◆ For good health and energy during these intense periods of training
- ◆ That teachers and will have receptive hearts for the truths of Scripture and courage to try new ways of approaching education

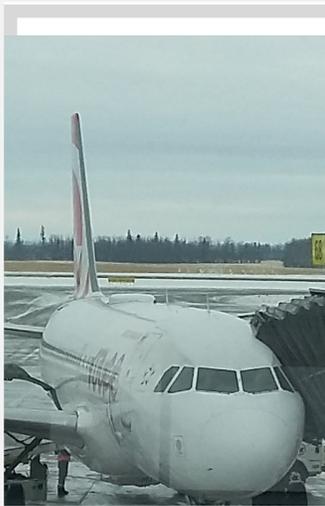
# My Life as a Missionary: It's Enough to Take One's Breath Away!

## From Reconnect in Canada to Ministry in Uganda

In one short week, I made a church visit, met with supporters, packed my bags, said good byes to family members, flew half way around the world, drove 11 hours to northern Uganda, attended an Educational Care graduation, celebrated a wedding, and made preparations for the next cycle of trainings. Thankfully, it is not always this hectic!

I left Alberta on a chilly morning in freezing rain. The plane needed de-icing before we could take off.

I'm so grateful for the time I had with family, friends and supporting churches while in Canada. But the joy and peace I experience on returning to my life and work in Uganda confirmed for me that this is indeed where God wants me!



## Graduation in Moroto

We have been blessed with an amazing opportunity to train in government schools in this community in northern Uganda. The Central Administration Officer, the District Education Officer, as well the Municipal Education Officer attended the first EC graduation here. Students and education leaders thanked



Resonate Global Mission for bringing Educational Care to this District and spoke for the need to bring it to other neighbouring districts as well.



“Diana, the students have said you are not smart (meaning not well dressed),” said the head teacher, and then I was gifted with a traditional Karamajong outfit

of a pleated skirt and a matching shawl!

## Christmas

## Greetings!



**May you be blessed with the gifts that only Immanuel, our God who is with us, can give. From my home to yours, best wishes for a deep experience of His grace and peace.**

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