



The David Reddington Memorial Fund and Christian Copyright Licensing International

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Background on the David Reddington Memorial Fund

David Reddington died in 2004 aged 8 after a brave battle with cancer. During his short life David had often saved his pocket money to help children in Africa and in his memory his family in partnership with Christian Copyright Licensing International set up a memorial fund.

This fund provides treatment, medication and surgery for sick children living in Kabubbu. Many families find it difficult to find £1 - £2 to treat malaria or infections and so surgery or other treatments are outside of their budget as families exist on £1 - £3 a day.

Some children who have been supported through the David Reddington Memorial Fund

Surgical procedures

Moses Mutebi

Moses has now had five surgical operations. He was originally run over by a lorry and had amazingly survived despite all the medical odds against him. He had a colostomy that developed a prolapse, a urethra torn from its base and a recto urethra fistula. Step 1 was to reverse the colostomy, Step 2 to deal with the torn urethra. However because of the extensive injuries the fistula re-occurred and Moses had to have a staged urethoplasty. Moses currently has had to have the assistance of a catheter and this has enabled him for now to resume his education.

Cost to date the operations for Moses are in excess of £1,150



Diana

Aged 12, she had cataracts from birth and had difficulty studying in school because this condition had almost blinded her. She could not see the board and had difficulty reading and writing. An operation on each eye has resulted in almost perfect visibility...**cost £96**

Annette

Aged 10, she has a severely disfigured leg and she is unable to walk on her other leg and is greatly restricted in her movements. After a consultation at the main Malago hospital in Kampala it was confirmed that an amputation should be carried out and she should then be fitted with prosthesis. This requires Annette being hospitalised for four months and as yet the surgeon has been unable to provide an estimate of the full cost of treatment.

AIDS treatment

Mariam

We first met Mariam in June 2003 when Meridian TV interviewed her and her father. Mariam was suffering from AIDS, emaciated, lethargic and with skin lesions. Both her mother and sibling had previously died of AIDS. When we visited Kabubbu again in September 2003 she and her father had left the village and we were unable to trace her.

However, in June 2004 she returned to Kabubbu and a local nurse reported that she was amazed that Mariam had survived without any medication. Mariam then attended the Mildmay Mission Hospital near Kampala and has since that time been on the AIDS programme and has benefited from the transport and nutrition provided by the support programme offered through the



David Reddington Memorial Fund. This currently costs **£260** per year. Mariam is now being educated in Kabubbu Community Primary School and is sponsored for her education.

Joyce

Joyce was recently identified after Geraldine made a home visit to a family in which another child is sponsored for his education. The elderly Grandmother has failing health and struggles to cope with the four children in the family. Despite Grandma's financial limitations she had provided some funds for the transport for Joyce to attend an AIDS clinic in Kampala. The David Reddington Memorial Fund is now supplying transport, nutrition and other costs to extend Joyce's life. She is 9 years old and very bright. She will be included in sponsored education in February 2007.



Currently the Ugandan government, funded by the Bill Gates Foundation, is providing the free treatment of anti-retroviral drugs. However the cost for transport from rural areas to the AIDS centres in town is prohibitive and the other medical and dietary needs are beyond the financial capacity of most families. Children on the AIDS programme need to be carefully monitored with regular blood tests, sometimes x-rays and other medicines, not covered by the programme, are needed plus an improved diet not affordable to families living below poverty. The cost of transport, an enhanced diet and medical checks total around **£5 a week for life**.

Abdhul Kakeeto and Juliet Nassali aged 11 and 9 have also, for the past two years, been receiving the funds for transport, nutrition, blood tests etc at a cost of **£260 per year each**.

Cost. The annual budget for AIDS treatment for children is now in **excess of £1,040**

Cancer treatment

Sonny

Sonny was experiencing excruciating pain believed to have been caused by toothache. Even though dentists are rare in rural areas in Uganda a dentist was located and Sonny was not diagnosed with dental problems. The dentist referred Sonny to Malago Hospital and was later diagnosed with cancer. He received some treatment which was inconclusive but was healed through prayer!



Disabilities

Hanifah

Now aged 8, Hanifah's parents both died when she was 2 years old. Her elder sister who is illiterate, and was then aged 15, became responsible for her 4 siblings and subsequently produced 2 children of her own. Hanifah was brain damaged and severely epileptic from birth and when she was six years old she had a fit while standing next to an open fire that was unattended. With severe burns she was taken to Malago hospital and remained in their care for 3 months. To improve her life and stabilise her condition she is now provided with drugs regularly. **Cost £3 a month or £36 a year.**



Quicken Trust is grateful to the David Reddington Memorial Fund for the support it gives to the children of Kabubbu. We have itemised certain of the children that the Fund has helped. There are many more.

Without this support so many children would be still be suffering greatly from painful illnesses and agonising death.

The David Reddington Memorial Fund is bringing hope for a longer, happier life to many children who had no hope before.

It is an amazing testimony to David's memory.

Geoff & Geraldine Booker

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