

## Welcome Home Ministries - Africa August 2007

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

## Dear Welcome Home Friends & Family.

This past month has been a very busy one with lots and lots and lots of visitors. This is always a wonderful time to observe the children as they soak up as much love and attention as they can. The children dearly love having visitors - it often means extra treats and balloons as well, but the highlight for the children is the love and attention.

The first team arrived in June and stayed well into July - 8 students from Westmont College in California. They were great workers willing to take on any task and were a lot of fun for the children.

A big thank you to the Westmont team for your investment in our children, and the inventory of the clothing storeroom.



David's face above is typical of the joy that all the children feel when they have a loving person to play with. Elisa's face reflects that same joy as well.



Some of the Westmont team with the cooks peeling Irish Potatoes (that's what they call regular potatoes in Uganda) in

the outdoor kitchen. The kitchen help is always appreciated. This kitchen with 4 cooks produces 3 meals a day for the children plus morning and afternoon snacks. They also produce 2 meals a day for all the staff and volunteers who wish to eat Ugandan food as well. That's over 100 hungry mouths to feed daily!!

The next team was from Brawley (Cal)



here they are (all in sunglasses) with Mandy at her home in California, ready for their drive to the airport on the way over to Uganda. Thank you for your time and investment in the children.



Pictured above with mumma Joy is our new preemie baby boy named Edwin. He was admitted after his mother died in childbirth - sadly a common occurrence.



Pictured above with Mumma Ruth is a beautiful full term boy named Gloria. His mother also died in childbirth.

Adoptions: This past month has been an eventful one for us with 4 families from America making the great sacrifice of time and funds and the long term committment to the care of the children to come to Uganda to adopt. The court approved all their adoptions on the 9th of July so the children have transitioned into the parents care since then. Walking through the rest of the red tape did not allow any of them to fly out on the schedule date of the 26th. First to fly out was Precious on the 30th of July and the rest are due to fly out on the 2nd of August.

We are particularly blest that the children with medical problems will be able to have their needs taken care of. Pray for Timothy Levi who as soon as he arrives in the US will start medical tests in preparation for his open Heart surgery.

## Your Welcome Home Family

PS many of HIV+/AIDs children are available for medical adoption

PREEMIE HOUSE (12) Adam, Benjamin, Grace (*C Palsy- day care*), Edwin, Gloria (Glory), Immaculate, James, James (twin), Jeane, Joyce, Juliana, Luke,

Baby House (13) Allan, Ben, Brenda, Daniel, Emmanuel, Jaqueline (Jackie), Joshua Angelo, Melissa, Mercy, Nathan, Paul, Veronica Rose, Victor

TODDLER HOUSE (30) Agnes, Allan, Andrew Okirior, Andrew Otto, Becky, Billy, Brian, David, Elizaphan, Emmanuel, Grace, Hayley, Jeremiah Moses, Jeremiah, Jonah, Jonathan, Joshua Menya, Joshua, Lukas, Margaret, Noah, Paul, Peter (Kaita), Pius, Rachel Mukisa, Richard, Shammah, William, Wilson, Zachariah.