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The James family, Moses & King

## Arriving at ACV

Upon arriving at Agape Children's Village, on January 30<sup>th</sup>, the James family (the new missionary host family) and the teams from The Bridge Calvary Chapel and Calvary Chapel Lake Arrowhead, were greeted with the most amazing welcome from all of the

children! They were waiting out front, ready to help us carry in our luggage and serve us in any way they could. When we made our way inside the host home, it was clean and freshly painted and decorated with balloons and signs that the children had made for each person on the team. Needless to say, we were so blessed and humbled by the sweetness God showed to us, and especially to the James family, as they were welcomed to their new home. We look forward to what God is going to do, in and through us all, in the coming year. The team has now safely arrived back in the USA, but we know their hearts are still here. Please pray for the James family as they adjust to the new environment and their new family at ACV. May God's will be done!



The CC Team & some of the kids from ACV!

## Priority project needs at ACV

### Bat Project

Currently each of the homes here at the village have bats living in the roof rafters. Many of the homes have ceiling tiles that have been damaged by bat urine and feces, and many of the ceiling tiles are missing altogether which gives the bats access to the children's living areas. We now have the funding to begin this repair project – Praise God! But please pray that we find the right person or team to do the job!

### Fencing Project

We are currently trying to raise funds for the fencing that needs to be placed around the village. We have poles on part of the property but we need the remaining poles and chain link to be put up ASAP. This is an important project, as it will help to provide a secure environment for the children. As it is now, many people are coming onto the property without permission, which creates safety issues for ACV kids.

### Room Project

The children have been sleeping on the same foam mattresses and sheets for the past 10 years. We are hoping to replace these soon. Another project we'd like to start is to make personal cubbies in each room for the children to put their clothes and belongings in. At the present time, their clothes are thrown over the rafters or bed frames and their personal items just sit on the floor. This would make a cleaner environment for the kids & help them to be good stewards of their things.

## ACV's Vision

There are many ways in which you can support the vision for ACV. Through your prayer support, financial support, or coming as a mission team to work on projects here at ACV, we can accomplish the plans and purposes that God has for the children here at this orphanage. It is our desire to make ACV a safe haven both spiritually and physically as the children spend their formative years here. We desire that ACV would be a place where children come to personally know Jesus as their Savior and the LORD of their lives. We desire that they would see God meet every need that they have, and for them to know that they are not orphans! They have a Father in Heaven who loves them and cares about every need they have and a Father who has given them special people to show them His love, protection, and provision in a tangible way. People they can count on to support them and help them achieve the purposes that God has for them. Please pray about how you can support this vision!

## MORNING DEVO'S

Bill and a few of the older boys have been meeting each morning for the past week, reading through the daily Bible and then discussing what they read! It is awesome to see them so eager to read and learn about what God



has for them personally in His Word! Pictured: left to right: (King, Bill, Patric, Juma Paul, & Ronald). To God be the glory, and may He have His way in all of their hearts!



## MOVIE OUTREACH!

Sunday evening we opened our house up for anyone who wanted to come for movie night. We had popcorn and watched "The Passion of the Christ" which had been translated in Lugandan (the native language here). Many people from the neighboring community came out to join us. By the time everyone showed up, there wasn't even a place on the floor to sit. Everyone seemed to have been impacted by the movie – but how could you not be! After the movie, Bill reflected on the movie and shared a mini gospel message. We had a good time and were thankful for the great turnout! We look forward to more opportunities to reach out and be a light to the community in this way!

## PROJECT UNDERWAY

One of the many projects we are doing here at ACV was just started a few days ago. We are turning two of the outside buildings into storerooms. The first one will be for food. This will be helpful to ACV in many ways. We will be able to buy food in bulk quantities which will further our financial resources in that area and the supplies will be more accessible to the house moms as sometimes they are in need of supplies but we don't always have the availability or finances for a taxi to take us into town. The other storeroom will be used for gardening tools and mechanical tools. We will use a checkout system so that when someone needs to use a particular tool, we will know when and who is using it. This will help to ensure that everyone at ACV is being a good steward of the things God has given us. We are excited about this project and thankful for the laborers who are building it and for those who helped provide the finances for it to be completed! God is great!



## PLEASE PRAY:

- For the financial provision to complete the priority project needs at ACV.
- For God's guidance in purchasing a much needed vehicle for ACV. (Praise God He has provided the money for the vehicle - now we just need to find the right one!)
- For the women's retreat March 9-11<sup>th</sup> ...We are taking the house moms away for a two (2) night retreat and time of spiritual refreshment!  
Papa Bill is taking care of the kids 😊