

The Remnant Generation

Thriving Through COVID19

The COVID-19 virus, has threatened all that we hold dear in our society — not only our freedom to move about, but also our sense of safety and our ability to protect the individuals we cherish.

In these hard times, expectant mothers, and children are highly vulnerable and at-risk of losing their lives. In Uganda the lockdown has been extended by another 21days and there is no guarantee that this will be lifted immediately. Without public transport it has become very difficult for many pregnant young girls to access hospitals and other psho-social support services. Families are struggling to feed and government feeding program is far from reaching every vulnerable person.

Yet we know that our Father's heart for His daughters has not changed; there has never been a better time to reach and rescue lives like now. The Remnant Generation is working daily to deliver lifesaving supplies, access to health care and support to panicked teenage mothers, their families and at-risk babies. Our goal is to save lives!

Meet Wasswa and Nakato – The Twins!



These two cuties showed up earlier than expected. The mom is only 14 years old. She was raped by a close relative and when she opened up about it, there was so much conflict in the family and she had to run away. She came to Kampala to find a job as a house maid. She stayed with a distant relative for a short while as they both continued the job search. A few weeks later, she discovered she was pregnant and with twins. The family didn't receive the news well and they refused her to ever go back to the village. The relative that offered her accommodation was not ready to take up the responsibility of supporting her through pregnancy. She was alone and afraid. God led her to people from a church that knew The Remnant Generation. She was rescued and brought to the Princess Shelter in December 2019.

The EDD was April 24th 2020. But on March 6th, she started having strong labour pains. There was nothing the doctors could do to stop them. So we received our preemie twins almost 6 weeks early. They were very under weight and had to be in the NICU for several days. This is when the CORONA VIRUS scare hit Uganda and the doctors were forced to discharge the twins and their mom earlier fearing possible infection. The young moms couldn't have enough breast milk to feed both the children. So a tube was inserted and they were being given formula milk recommended by the pediatrician. Each tin cost 45,000/= (~\$11.84 USD). The twins needed 6 tins a week to enable them have sufficient quantities for feeding. The babies and mom were given a special room at the Princess Shelter and our nurse made sure that all healthy precautions are in place. However, the fear associated with the Corona Virus plus all the strict measures by government and The Remnant Generation caused panic and anxiety for the young mom and other girls. Our nurse, social worker and resident mom continued to provide physical and emotional support to help the new mom cope with reassurance that nothing bad was going to happen to her babies.

We are thankful for the support from Impact Nations. We were able to pay for the hospital bills for delivery. The twins are being reviewed regularly by the nurse and we have a pediatrician on call for specialized support. Through the Feeding Project, the twins have received support for formula that has been sufficient for 3.5 weeks.

At birth Wasswa(boy) weighed 1.9kg (4.2 lb) and Nakato (girl) weighed 1.7kg (3.8 lb). We are excited to see these babies thriving; at 7weeks, the boy is 3.3kg (7.3 lb) and the girl is 2.9kgs (6.4 lb). The mother has also continued to receive the medical and nutritional support.



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Can you please take my child?



When the President of Uganda announced the first lockdown for 14 days, the news was a shock to almost everyone. No one saw a lockdown coming early especially because Uganda had a few confirmed cases during that time. Unfortunately, this directive was to be implemented immediately. The Remnant Generation was also forced to close office and the School of Purpose leaving only the shelter and clinic open. By this time, 48 teen moms and vulnerable girls had been identified from the community to attend the School of Purpose. Apart from being excited to learn a skill, these girls were very thankful that they get to have some food. Several come from vulnerable families that could hardly afford 2 meals a day. Others are girls that had been rescued from sex work and substance abuse on the streets of Kampala. Some of these girls are living with HIV and had just started taking their ARVs. Many of these with challenging situations are seen as a burden. Its even more difficult for those with special needs.

Among them is Marion. After 7 days of the first lockdown, this young mother with special needs walked to our office with her baby in the scorching sun. She had gone for 4 days without food. She wanted to abandon her daughter with us. She stays with an older sister who also has 3 of her own children. Because she is not able to work in this season, it has become difficult to feed the family.

Marion asked our social worker if she can just give us the baby. *“My daughter is all I have. I know she can be well taken care of here. Everyone just sees us as a burden. Aunty, can you please take my child”*. Marion was hungry and angry. Her baby looked very weak and sick.

No mothers would like to give their child away; but desperate times call for desperate actions. When Marion received food support and milk for her baby, she was so happy that she didn't want to give her child away. Her biggest challenge was feeding.

With support from Impact Nations, we have managed to give Marion and her family food enough to sustain them for 12 days. This has greatly helped to reduce the pressure off her sister. Marion's baby was also given a box of milk. We would like to continue supporting this family with food.

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