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2025 edition



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T S C C e l e b r a t i n g 1 5 Y e a r s

***“Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!”***

***Philippians 4:4***

This year The Shepherd Center celebrated 15 years of ministry! The ministry started with the Director conducting casual street outreaches when he was a university student, and now it is an official NGO (non-government organization) that has enrolled over 80 boys and helped several others on a temporary basis.

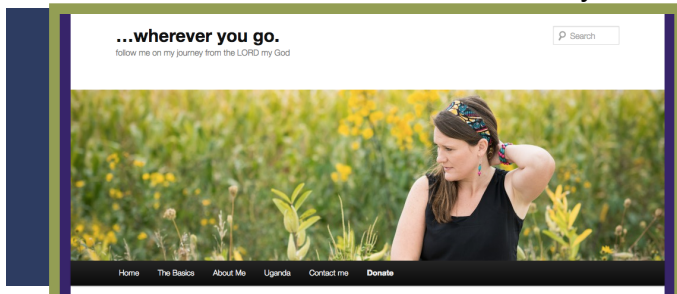
During the months

before the big celebration, the staff were all busy making preparations. I was on a small team that created a commemorative magazine that included testimonies from currently enrolled boys, alumni, parents, staff, community members, street boys, and more. Everyone shared a unique perspective of the impact TSC has had on their lives.

Ultimately, a huge celebration was held with estimates of over 1,500 people in attendance. Everyone enjoyed food,

dancing, speeches, special guests, and overall rejoicing. Many local community members and friends of TSC contributed to funding the party, which is a sign of the impact and blessing the ministry is to Kabale town.

This year we have also taken in ten new boys from the streets. So far they are adjusting well to the transition from street life to living in a home, returning to school, and living under authority. We hope they will soon be thriving in their new environment.



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This year we have had a whirlwind of activity as a family. We received word from US immigration that they needed more documentation for the twins' citizenship case. We scrambled to get what was needed and send it in before the deadline. Soon after we were given an appointment date in Chicago, which put us on pressure to secure visas so that the twins could travel in time. We had many complications with that whole process, but eventually they were miraculously granted visas and Simon, Solomon, Micah, and Lisa travelled to America two days later.

We spent about five weeks in the USA. The twins were exposed to many new things and people... some of which they have heard about after years of living with me, and others that were unexpected. One quick observation they made how clean the country is, in contrast to Uganda, as well as the lack of potholes. (If you think you have a pothole problem, you are welcome to visit us in Uganda to compare...) Simon & Solomon were excited to meet family members, and spend time with several people they had met before in Uganda.

We made it to Chicago for their immigration appointment and they are now officially US citizens! God

answered our prayers after ten a half years of being a family! We enjoyed visiting churches and connecting with supporters and friends. We also had time to for Micah and his big brothers to experience things like go-karts and a water park. They had too many fun and memorable adventures to mention them all.

Since we have returned home to Uganda, some sicknesses have been moving around our community and both Lisa and Micah have been hit hardest with that. It has taken us down for a bit, but we seem to be recovering now.

Recently, we remembered a somber milestone for our family. It has now been more than a year since we lost Moriah. Grief is a journey that I do not think really ends; it just changes. I can't always predict when and where grief with strike fiercely, or what might trigger it. But that week we took some time to remember, share stories, cry, look through photo albums, etc. On the exact day that marked one year of my daughter passing away, some friends offered to take me (Lisa) out to a nice restaurant at a lake nearby to remember her together and just show their support to me and our family (pictured right.)

Thank you for your support!  
~Lisa & family

#### REASONS TO PRAISE:

1. The twins are US Citizens!
2. Lisa and the boys had a great time in the US with safe travels.
3. TSC has been in operation for 15 years!

#### WAYS TO PRAY:

1. The 10 new boys at TSC will continue to adjust well in behavior, academics, faith, etc.
2. The twins' progress in school (the past year and a half has had many interruptions, putting them a bit behind).
3. Patrick's immigration paperwork to continue to move forward.
4. Peace & unity within our family.
5. Financial provision.



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