# Merry Christmas



in

You can never truly enjoy Christmas until you can look up into the Father's face and tell him you have received his Christmas gift." **~John R. Rice** 

### AGAPE TIMES Dec 2018



### STAFF REFLECTIONS

Praise the Lord hope you are well. As ACV family we are grateful to the Lord for His protection, provision, guidance, keeping all of us alive and most of all seeing us and these kids still in this place. This has been one of the most challenging years; but I have seen God fight the battle for us and it only came when we decided to lay everything to Him through prayer, trust and waiting upon him for His will to be done and He has set us above to it all. And the verse the Lord laid on my heart is, Deuteronomy 28:1. "God only requires of us to listen diligently to the Lords voice, and willing to observe His commandments He gives us and we shall set us above all the nations."

Glory be to God and be blessed, Ajube Joseph, Manager of ACV



LAST CHANCE TO GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE AT CHRISTMASTIME!

Send a \$30 donation to your sponsored child. This will allow them to experience Christ's love through your giving.

YOUR child will be able to purchase whatever they want; but more than likely, it will be the ONLY gift they receive for Christmas. Your giving will be more of a blessing to YOUR child than you could ever imagine.

## LAST CHANCE

https://acvuganda.webconnex.com/donation

I am thankful to God this year, for He has been so faithful to me; at the beginning of this year the Lord allowed me to travel to America with the kids' choir, I made so many new friends. I went through a successful surgery and the Lord has healed me completely. My daughter Eva gave birth to a baby girl and it was a safe delivery, my other daughter Monica is expecting. I am a healthy, blessed and ever grateful to God grandma. What the Lord has done for me I cannot tell it all; Praise Jesus. Mama Grace, House Mother for ACV

This year has been a blessing, God has given me the opportunity and strength to continue serving His children in Agape Children Village, The Lord has blessed me so much; on 3rd, November 2018, I introduced my Fiancée, the love of my life, to my parents (every Girls dream) it was awesome and so memorable a day, we saw the Lord's hand carrying us through the preparations. Surely, we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. (Philippians 4:13) Mpambi Norah, Social Worker for ACV

#### A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

A BUS RIDE, GAMES, FOOD, BOUNCY HOUSE . . .



Although everyone had a great time celebrating; the purpose of this event was to teach the children the reason for Christmas. Jesus was explained, taught and celebrated. HE IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON! A special thank you to our sponsors who help us to teach these children about Jesus.



#### Staff Reflection continued

There's a lot to thank God for this Year, 2018. The Lord has been very gracious to me; He took us through grief and loss. We had a miscarriage in February only four months into our marriage but the Lord wiped our tears. My wife, Phiona, and I conceived again; we are expecting to have our baby late December. We are so grateful to God. He blessed us with wonderful friends and family that stood with us during that hard time. As if that wasn't enough, in May I resigned from my ministry and started believing God for something that would be fulfilling; something that would bring me Christian satisfaction of hands on ministry to Christ's people. I was without a stable source of income for three months, my wife was pregnant, and it was hard, but the Lord provided for us through friends: rent, food, etc. We paid all our bills and remained in good health. An opportunity came for me to volunteer with AICM and thereafter was brought on full-time. I am now part of the Staff at AICM office in Uganda and my role is very fulfilling, it is what I have always wanted to do, seeing the marginalized impacted with God's love, transformed by His word and I am part of it, this is awesome to God be the glory. Alex Luyuyo, Communication Specialist





I am grateful to God for the opportunity of ministering in the lives of these children whom I was once like and by the grace of God I have been able to make it to where I am now. This is an aspect that gives me hope that one day these children will also make it to being great men and women in our society. The opportunity to work with these kids has also helped me to draw closer to God. I work with people who love God and we always pray with and encourage each other. Team work and flexibility is another important aspect that I have learnt through working with AICM. Above all I thank God for His grace that has enabled me to come this far. Svlvia Nakiyimba, AICM office intern