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"AND HE WILL SEND SHOWERS OF RAIN SO EVERY FIELD BECOMES A LUSH PASTURE." ZECHARIAH 10:1



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Join us for the 2nd Annual Raining Hope Classic

The Raining Hope Golf Classic is a fantastic way to enjoy a great golf experience while, at the same time, changing lives. Participants will enjoy a great round of golf at a beautiful hillside course, all of the perks that go with a first class golf tournament (give-aways, contests, a 4-player scramble format, snacks and drinks, breakfast & lunch banquet), all while helping to raise money and awareness for the world-changing work of Raining Hope Ministries in Uganda. The children of Raining Hope dream of becoming influencers & contributors to their society as they serve others. They are able to pursue their dreams and achieve their goals because of the investment that is being made in their lives through Raining Hope. They receive love, support, food, clothing, training, medical support and hope because of the generous help of people like you. You are invited to be a part of this life-altering work by joining the fun at the 2016 Raining Hope Golf Classic - Monday, May 23, 2016!



Registration before April 10, 2016

INDIVIDUAL - \$125 · Creen Fees (1) · Green Fees (4)

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· Awards Banquet (1)

FOURSOME - \$400 . Colf Carts (2)

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Registration after April 10, 2016

INDIVIDUAL - \$150 FOURSOME - \$500 **BANQUET ONLY - \$40**

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2016 • 630 AM - CHECK-IN • 635 AM - BREAKFAST

6:40 AM - PUTTING CONTEST 7:45 AM - TEE-OFF AWARDS BANQUET TO FOLLOW

(A sharper copy of the sponsorship opportunities & registration information is available on our website.)

Please be in prayer for the Golf Classic Committee comprised of Doug Spriggs, Ricky MacDonald, Dave Denstaedt and Stafford Barker. I appreciate the work they are doing to help our children & bring more awareness to Raining Hope. You can go to our website www.raininghope.org and click the "More" tab. There is a section dedicated to the Golf Classic where you can view a video promoting the event. Those of you who do not live near the event, I ask you to be in **prayer for the committee** as they continue to promote and prepare. I appreciate the work of the committee and I am thankful for all of you for keeping Raining Hope in your prayers. (Mama Eydie Kisakye)

For questions about the Golf Classic:

Visit our website - <u>www.raininghope.org</u> to register or Contact Doug Spriggs 626-358-8516 or email RHqolfclassic@gmail.com



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Praise & Prayer - Security System

This past weekend, Godfrey informed me that there was a **break-in at the house.** One of our children, Dan got ill in the middle of the night with an asthma attack. Godfrey went to the hospital about 2 am with Dan, his mom Annet, and a couple of our older boys. In that time, thieves had broken in over the wall & through Annet's window. Thankfully, they were only gone for about an hour. Godfrey said that they are thankful to God because He protected their lives. Not many valuable things were taken because they came back at the right time. The only large item the thieves took was our TV. Godfrey immediately summoned the police who came back with police dogs. They found some other stolen items outside our gate hidden in bushes which the thieves stashed while they were in our compound.

The police advised Godfrey that we should **prioritize installing a security system.** Because of the amount of children we have in the house, they highly advised we do something immediately. We have been praying for additional funding for continued renovations. The barb wire for the perimeter wall has been part of our prayer list. But because of the break-in, we have moved this to the top of our list.

This is the recommendation from the police to ensure safety of our compound:

- 1) Purchase two german shepherd guard dogs. We would need two dogs because of the size of our compound. Initial cost is approximately \$363 for two dogs and building small shelters to house them. (\$136 each, \$91 for the shelters). Monthly the feeding and care amounts to approximately \$15. The secondary option was to hire security guards. But the cost would be approximately \$150 a month. Godfrey said the dogs are a better option for now and are very effective in scaring off thieves from entering the compound.
- 2) **Install barbed razor wire on the top of the perimeter wall.** When most thieves see this type of barbed wire they know it could possibly be electrified so they do not try to attempt it. It makes it hard for them to exit a compound even if they tried. It also adds to the height of the wall about 2 feet. The cost of installing this barbed wire would be approximately **\$802**.
- 3) Install solar security lighting. Most thieves enter properties at night when the electricity is off. This is also when the children would be asleep. The police advised us to consider having solar lighting system on the wall as added security. This helps to eliminate darkness which becomes perfect hiding places for would be thieves. Godfrey got a bid from a company who installs this type of lighting. Cost is approximately \$1446.

These were all recommendations by the police department. Godfrey believes for immediate safety issues we should purchase the guard dogs. Once we receive enough funds we would move towards acquiring the barbed wire for the perimeter wall. Third would be to install the solar lighting as needed.

Godfrey said the children are doing fine and are thankful no harm had come to them. They were all asleep when it happened. We know that things can be replaced but lives are precious. My main concern is providing an environment that is safe and well protected. I would ask that you join me in prayer for the continued protection of our dear children. Pray for the necessary funds to begin purchasing these security items. If you would like to help, please contact us by phone or email on the numbers listed on page 1. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Prayer Requests & Praises for May 2016

Pray for the Golf Classic Committee & the Golf Classic's success on May 23rd!

Pray for the needed funds for the upcoming second term. Godfrey will get the total needed & deadline for funds after the 1st term closes this Friday.

Our goals at Raining Hope have been to care for these specific children and launch them into careers and families and as servants of Christ. We have had several who have committed to increase their giving to help aid those attending nursing school & other post secondary school courses. For the first trimester, we were given a \$500 scholarship to help with the nursing fees for one student for the first term. Continue to pray for our students who are beginning their advance schooling. Pray for additional scholarships, especially for our two nursing students.

Pray as I am continuing work with our board on our new policies & sponsorship guidelines.

Pray for the additional funds needed for renovations - These figures are the most current and always approximate due to fluctuation in exchange rates.

Painting the boy's quarters: \$1,026

Roofing the Main House: \$4,974 (We are in rainy season right now. The roof has begun leaking more. We have had the roof inspected by a company sent over from the hotel. They can work in phases until enough funding comes in. We want to begin with the area that is most damaged.)

Septic Tank: \$2,135

Plumbing for main house and boy's quarters: \$1,318

Rainwater Harvesting: \$1,068 Electrical for Main House: \$366

(Godfrey has given me an extremely detailed budget down to the last nail. Each figure is approximate only because of the exchange rate. To complete each project, all is accounted for in terms of materials that need to be purchased with labor costs included.)

Pray for outreach needs - The needed outreach equipment will be used on a continual basis for the increasing outreach/evangelism emphasis that our children are effectively involved in as they share the Good News of Jesus. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Eydie or Carol John at 805-377-7387.

Pray for our children & Ugandan Staff of Raining Hope

Dan / David / Difasi / Doreen / Esther / Florence / Frank / Fred / Hamon / Henry / Hillary / Hope Jael / Jemimah / Jessica / Jireh / Joan / Joanne / Joel / Jonathan / Katia / Maria / Martha / Mary Ronald / Sharon / Sofia / Sylvia / Tabitha / Tamare / Vivian / Waiswa / Zuluta / Godfrey & Irene / Annet / Betty

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