



CURIOUS YOUNGSTERS LOOKING INSIDE FATHER VITALIS' CAR

Action in Africa



Spring Newsletter

The latest students to join the Action in Africa family

2018 promises to be an exciting year for the charity and has already begun with two youngsters joining the Action in Africa family.



Debora Elmerick lives with her mother in desperate circumstances. Debora's father has died and her mother cannot afford to pay for housing. Friends allow them to live in this derelict building (pictured behind Debora, above). Because of her living conditions, it has been decided that she should board at Nyaishozi Secondary School, where she will join Bibiana, Albina and Jewels, who are also

sponsored by Action in Africa. An Ashtead resident has kindly offered to sponsor Debora.



The charity would like to wish Debora all the best in her studies and looks forward to hearing how she progresses.

We would also like to introduce **Samson Charles**. Sam (pictured below) was born in 2003 and lives with his mother, three brothers and sister. His father has passed away.

Sam is a hard working boy. His mother struggles to support her family by farming her small plot of land. Life is very hard for the family.

We are supporting Sam through our Basic Needs Allowance which costs £110.00 per annum. Sam is attending Rugu Secondary School and will be sponsored until he decides to leave fulltime education.



DISTRIBUTION OF EMERGENCY FOOD



Father Vitalis and his Committee distribute food & medicine

Each year at Christmas we launch an appeal to raise funds for emergency food and medicine, which is distributed to the most needy and vulnerable in the Nyaishozi community.

Christmas 2017 saw the parishioners of St Michael's at their most generous. £1,025.00 was raised through the retiring collection. We also now have several new monthly donations set up by local residents.

This generosity has also enabled us to provide school lunches for 100 of the poorest pupils at Nyaishozi Primary School for 2018 – thank you to all those who supported the Appeal.

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Of Tanzanian children experience either monetary poverty, multi-dimensional poverty or both.

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Action in Africa held their third Burns Supper at Tyrrells Wood Golf Club to celebrate the Scottish bard. Revelers danced away the night to ceilidh band Blackthorn and although seasonal illness meant that numbers were low, a rip-roaring time was still had by one and all.

An amazing £600 was raised in total. A big thank you to all who attended.

Nyaishozi comes to the U.K!

Father Vitalis to Visit Ashtead



Father Vitalis with Paul Mubiligi's (trustee) son

Father Vitalis has confirmed that he will be visiting Ashtead in June (visa permitting). The Action in Africa committee is delighted that he will be able spend time with the parishioners of St Michael's Church, Ashtead. He will also be visiting St Andrew's Secondary School, Leatherhead.

It is hoped that he will bring lots of news of our sponsored children and will be able to return to Nyaishozi with much needed feminine hygiene products which will be supplied by the charity Days for Girls.

We will also be collecting clean/new underwear for both sexes of all ages for him to distribute through the local dispensary. If you would like to donate any underwear please email us at: actioninafrica.ashtead@gmail.com

Action in Africa's Next Fundraiser – Quiz Night

As it is not everyday that we get to host the chairman of the Nyaishozi Action in Africa committee, we thought it would be a great idea to hold a fundraising event while Father Vitalis is in the UK.

If you would like to test your general knowledge and get to meet our Nyaiahozi chairman, please join us at St Michaels Hall, Ashtead on Friday June 30th, where we will be holding our Quiz Night. Teams of up to 8 at £15 a head – including supper! For further details please visit the website www.actioninafrica.org.

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