

## Women in Need of Sponsorship



K02 - BABIRYE STEPHANIA is a 47 year old born-again Christian mother of three, who was widowed in 2007 when her husband died of AIDS and left her HIV positive. She had a small business in a market that caught fire and destroyed her things, and currently works in a grocery shop to provide house rent and food for her family.

Her goal is to complete the basic business training and to save in the village bank to equip her to restart her own sustainable business.



K03 - NAMUDDU NORAH is a 67 year old mother of 10 grown children and cares for 5 grandchildren ages 2 to 17. She was widowed in 2006 when her husband died of malaria. Since then she has struggled to provide a home and food for her family. She currently works for Kampala City Council Authority "slashing grass" at a very low wage.

Her goal is to complete basic business training and to save in the village bank so she can develop her business of selling flowers and trees. She states, "I am not educated and so did not go to school. I love gardening and started a business out of my hobby. I also love singing and praying."



K04 - AFWOYORWOT MATILDA is a 56 year old widow and mother of seven, five of whom are under the age of 18. She has been their sole caregiver since the death of her husband in 2006. Matilda currently works for Sseko Designs manufacturing sandals to provide for her family.

She is a born-again Christian, depending on the Lord for her every challenge. "When my husband passed away life became so hard, feeding the family was impossible for a very long time until I got a job sorting beans for people. After that, I got employment at Sseko and life is a little better than it was before.

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K06 - NAUTIONO ESTHER NALONGO is 55 years old, a widow since 1995. Her husband died of AIDS leaving her HIV+. She is a born-again Christian with five children in her care ages 18 down to 4. Esther completed nurses training and worked as a nurse, but is currently unemployed.

She desires to complete basic business training and then attend sewing and tailoring school, so she can pursue a future in tailoring.



K09 - LILIAN AWACHANGO is a widow caring for 4 grandchildren whose parents died of AIDS. And she is HIV+. After the death of her husband in 2000, her in-laws took her house and property. They wanted to inherit her as a wife. When she refused she and her children were sent away.

She supports her children by selling bananas on the roadside. She loves singing and praying, and has learned to trust God for everything.



K13 - ELIZABETH NAMBAFU is 59 years old and a widow since the death of her husband in 2002. She cares for her 17 year old daughter and three grandchildren. When her husband died his family took all the property and evicted her and her children.

Elizabeth is a born-again Christian who was working as a cook at the Compassion offices until the center closed and she lost her job.

Her desire is to complete the basic business training and take out a loan from the village bank to start up a business.

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K15 - OKOLLE MARGARET is 54 years old and has been a widow since 2005 when her husband died of a stroke. She has eight grown children, and still has one finishing S6 level. In addition, she cares for three small children ages 5 months to 8 years.

Her small business is selling roasted peanuts and making peanut butter paste. She has been trying to build a house but has not finished it yet. She is a Catholic who worships at St. Jude Church.



K18 - ROSE OKELLO is a 52 year old widow who has two grown children and is caring for five more, all aged 15 and under. Her husband died suddenly in 1992. Her in-laws rejected her and her two sons. She practiced knitting and was able to support and pay school fees for her boys.

As a born-again Christian, she knew God would make a way. Today she has a job as store keeper at Nakasero.



K19 - OZELLE MAGDALENA is a 62 year old widow whose husband died of prostate cancer. She also lost four children on different occasions. When her daughter died she took over care of her grandchild. One of her children died of high blood pressure, another of pneumonia, and another of poisoning.

She is currently selling greens in Nakawa market, a business that is seasonal and not very successful. She lists her religion as Catholic and worships at St. Jude Church in Naguru.

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K20 - ANYWAR JOYCE is 52 year old widow who had only one child, a daughter who died in a car accident. She has 10 other children in her care. Her husband died of poisoning, but also had HIV.

Consequently, she is HIV+ .

Joyce would like to pursue agriculture as a business and trusts that basic business training and the village bank will help her develop a sustainable business.



K21 - ABOTE SOPHIA is a 60 year old widow whose husband died of malaria. She had seven children and continues to have the care of two.

As much as Sophia wanted to go to school she was never given the opportunity because she was a girl. Now she looks forward to basic business training and being a member of the village bank, as well as ESL classes.



K24 - NAMWEMBA ROBINAH is a 60 year old widow whose husband died of cancer after only 12 years of marriage. She remembers the difficulties of raising her five children on her own. And currently cares for five more children in her home.

The Irish and sweet potato business she started back in 1992 has provided adequate income to keep her children in school since then.

With help of basic business training and the taking of small loans from the village bank, she envisions greater success.

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K26 - AYOMIRWOTH LUCY is a 61 year old widow whose husband died of malaria many years ago. Lucy went through many challenges after the death of her husband. All the property was taken from her by his family and they chased her away. His brother beat her and wanted to make her his wife, but she refused. Later she moved back to her parent's home and raised her own two, plus six more children on her own.

She earns a fair amount by hawking fruits and vegetables on the street, but this can be risky and result in arrest. As a born-again Christian, she praises God for his provision even though life is hard.



K27 - BUSINGYE JOY is a 58 year old widow whose husband was killed in an auto accident 22 years ago. Since then she has raised her four children and is caring for one more. She is a born-again Christian and worships at Vision Church. Even though life has been hard she has managed to keep these children in school by selling vegetables and working as a messenger at the Uganda Coffee Marketing Board.

Joy is looking forward to basic business training and taking of small loans from the village bank in order to develop a more sustainable business.



K31 - AKONGO AGNES 49 years old, proud mother of three sons, one of which is still living at home. She also cares for a ten year old. Her husband died of AIDS in 1999. She feared she would be HIV+ and so put off testing until 2004 when she learned of her HIV+ status.

In 2004 she contracted meningitis and lost her sight and her memory for a several month period. She is thanking God for her life since regaining both her sight and memory.

She would some day like to have her own shop selling second-hand clothing.

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K34 - NABBALE JOYCE is 56 years old, a widow since 1995 when her husband died of a snake bite. She has one child of her own and takes care of two others. She is a nursery school teacher and sells poultry to provide for her family.

She is a born-again Christian who fellowships at Lugogo Baptist Church and loves the Lord.

She hopes to learn through the basic business training how to make her poultry business more self-sustaining.



K35 - ADYERO EVELYN is a 35 year old widow whose husband was killed in an auto accident in 2003. She was left to care for their four children plus three others not her own. She has a seasonal retail vegetable business and she makes beads to help provide for her large family.

She is saddened because she learned 13 years after the fact that she was orphaned at a young age and raised by a family she thought was hers. Now she feels very alone.



K36 - LAPYEM ROSE AKELLO is a 53 year old widow whose husband died in an auto accident in 2004. She is the mother of five grown children, two still at the university. She is also raising four others, 12 years and under. Having completed Senior 4 and received her diploma in primary education, she is currently working as a primary teacher.

She is a born-again Christian who "trusts in the Almighty and loves the Lord so much." She has no land and no personal house. She lives in a school house and prays for "God's favour to provide a home." She asks that we join her in prayer and asks Almighty God's blessing to us.