



# St. NICHOLAS Uganda CHILDREN'S FUND

## Email Newsletter **A Day at the Museum**

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Primary Seven is the final year of primary school in Uganda. At ages 13 and 14, students' curiosity is boundless and they've had enough education to understand and appreciate what a museum has to offer. Each year we organize half a day to take our P.7 students and their class teacher to the Uganda National Museum. The museum features galleries on Ugandan history, ethnology, archaeology, art, and culture. We arrange a guided tour through the museum's Education Department and the children pay rapt attention as our guide explains each exhibit. Teacher Charles then relates the

information to topics they've covered in class so the students can make a meaningful connection with what they've already learned. For children who may never have set foot out of their local slum, this is a fascinating experience. The museum also has an outdoor exhibit called The Cultural Village—a collection of huts constructed in the architectural styles of various indigenous tribes. The huts are built with local materials: mud & wattle for the walls and thatch for the roof. *(see photo below)* We complete the tour with a buffet lunch at the museum restaurant—a special treat enjoyed by all.

The St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund supports 190 orphans and vulnerable children in primary & secondary school, vocational & professional training, and university. We pay school fees and provide uniforms, shoes & socks, school supplies, meals, and health care. With your help, we can make a real difference in their young lives.

### Former Student of the Month

Hildah recently graduated from Makerere University with a Master's Degree in Economics. She and her two older sisters lost their parents within one month of each other when Hildah was in seventh grade. The girls had no other family in Kampala and were completely on their own. We took the girls into the program and made arrangements for food and housing. Hildah was one of our top students in secondary school and completed her Bachelor's Degree at Makerere.



Hildah

Upon graduation, she got a job working for the university and used her earnings and staff discount to complete her Master's degree. At the graduation ceremony, Hildah received the award for the best M.A. Economics student. In addition to the recognition, the award comes with a full-time position with the Economic Policy Research Centre, Uganda's leading think-tank in economics & development research and policy analysis.

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Traditional hut of the Baganda tribe

**Donations to help support our children can be sent to the St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund, P.O. Box 285, Chardon, OH 44024-0285, or you can donate online via PayPal by clicking the "Donate" button below.**



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