



Scholar Updates - Second Term 2010

We are excited to report that all of our scholars have completed their second term of school and they are back in school to finish the final term of their school year. During the second term of school, Anny Su, one of the Engeye board members was in Ddegeya working with a design team to develop a plan for the construction of volunteer and staff housing on the property of the clinic. A group from Chicago medical school was also volunteering at the clinic. Jessica from the Chicago medical team and Anny Su were able to visit the scholars during the second term on family visiting day. Anny reported the following:

They all seemed VERY well and happy! It was great to see Susan. Bena was clinging onto my arm the whole time and smiling. All the kids were fed so well that day. .. They are all just such sweet children. Visiting day was super fun. There was a big dance party with DJs and everything going on in the main hall - Jessica and I joined in...

The Minerva Fellows Elliot Harmon and Sarah Yergeau are currently working and living in Ddegeya, and they helped prepare the Engeye Scholars for their return to school for the final term of school year. Elliot and Sarah helped the Scholars fill the scholars' new backpacks with pencils, markers and school supplies. Eliot and Sarah reported that:

The Scholars were deeply appreciative of the school materials. They excitedly, compared the colors of the markers and pencils while they zipped and unzipped every pocket of their new backpacks. Ddegeya native Ssebunya Francis and Elliot then accompanied the Engeye Scholars to the Kinoni market (Kinoni is roughly five kilometers east of Ddegeya Village) to pick out sandals for school. Again, appreciation was evident in the smiles of the Scholars who needed sandals as they eagerly picked out their new sandals and compared their color choices. They then headed back to school. All of the scholars were excited to be back at school, and they eagerly showed off their rooms, made their beds, and then ran into the compound to play with the other children. The children just beamed with excitement to be with their friends and having the opportunity to return to classes.

The Scholars all continue to work hard at school and they have requested and have received additional tutoring at the clinic during their school breaks. Thank you so much for supporting our program and for giving the children the gift of an education. As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us. .

Thank You (Webale),

Elaine Hickey and Theresa Weinman

Engeye Scholars