

*Mto Moyoni is a retreat centre on the banks of the river Nile in Uganda. Ingrid Wilts, a missionary, started this centre in 2003. In Swahili the name Mto Moyoni means: 'river trough the heart', and this name also expresses the goal of the centre: to offer Christian workers a time of peace and quiet to experience that the Spirit of Gods wants to flow like a river through their hearts. Ingrid works together with Winette Hubregtse. In Uganda Mto Moyoni is registered as an NGO. In the Netherlands their work is supported by the Friends of Mto Moyoni foundation.*

## **Valentine's day 2008**

On the raod to an orphanage in Kampala.

Seventy orphans live here. Most of them come from the north of Uganda and lost their parenty by the violence of the war. Most of the staff is also from the North, most of them are also victoms of the war.

The last five months fifteen of them attended a Father Heart week or a Transformatonweek at Mto Moyoni. This was a result of thegrowing tension in the orphanage, the explosions of anger and the problems of working together. The staff heard of us and at the same time they received a gift.

They bought African jewelary for it, sold it for 4 times he price in their homeland Canada. That's why they are able to send the whole staff to Mto Moyoni.

We went there to see how everything is gong and to make an oppointment for a follow-up.

The reaction is overwhelming! We were welcomed in a warm way and had a one-to-one talk with every staff member. All the participans received a new freedom in Christ after the program.

Almost everybody is still daily taking time for listening prayer and half of them is still in the process to receive healing and restoration. A few of them are still bubbling! Wonderful to see where God is taking His children, and what an enormous privilege to : "stand by and watch..... It is Gods work and Jesus's overwhelming love, we hear in the testimonies. One of the cooks tells us, while peeling the sweet potatoes: "My job is just to relax, Jesus prepares the work and works through me. He gives me the love for the children, I don't have to become angry out of impatience and beat the children, but I listen to what I have to do in a moment of stress."

One of the watchmen is still young: twenty years of age. His mother died when he was one week old. His father decided to bury him alive with his mother because there was no milk so he wouldn't survive and two burials costs too much money! An old woman, rescued him ,took him out of the coffin and took care of him for four years till she died. He than went back to his father but the relationship was bad. During the Transformationweek he forgave his father and set him free. That resulted in a breakthrough. His first night, back in Kampala after the program, he dreamed that his father was glad to see him and threw him a party, with Coca Cola.

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## **Martien Wits**

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Ingrids Father deceased in februari 2008 . She came to Holland when she heard he was very ill. He died amidst his wife and children. He went to the Lord his Father.

We pray the Lords will comfort the grieving family



## Kenya in fear

We read daily in the paper about the situation in Kenya, Uganda's neighbour country.

We read about the riots, and the hate between the Kikuyu's and the Luo's, the two tribes that fight over the power. In the whole world Christians are praying for peace and restoration in Kenya. God can do more than Kofi Annan can ever do, He can touch the hearts and reconcile people.

A Fatherheart conference was planned to start Friday February 8th. One of the participants would be Juliet Ilianu from Kenya. She mailed us that she could not come because of the situation in her country.

She mailed: 'I feel peace in my heart, because I know God will provide the best solution for Kenya. With our human eyes we see nobody that can calm down the different parties. The country is torn in pieces and it is heavy, because each day brings new pain and everywhere new fights develop. I cannot travel, because my tribe is a target. If we travel by bus, we will be killed on the road. A cousin of mine died of burning when his house was set on fire'.

You can feel the effects of the civil war in Kenya also in Uganda. Sometimes there is a shortage of fuel and food. Winette told us that she had filled jerry cans with diesel, because it is sometimes sold out at the pumps, or the price has doubled because of the shortage. Kenya is the "supplier" of Uganda. Through Kenya the stocks come to the country. We just heard of the talks between the fighting parties. Let us pray for God's love and convalescence for this area and its inhabitants.

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He went straight to his father and they had a wonderful day together.. with Coca Cola....(this is a real treat in a poor village).

He told his father about the lesson he learned, and told him that he had forgiven him, that they are both free now, and that the Father loves them both!

On the way back, suddenly a rich Ugandan in a giga-landcruiser stopped to offer him a ride. Why would somebody offer him, a poor boy, a ride? The driver told him: "because you are glowing with God's love!!!" He heard God's voice in his heart: "You are not a poor boy anymore, you are My son, and that's why I today I took care of your transportation!"

Love all over, overwhelming....

It made my day..... Valentine day!

Winette



### Building starts on the new land.

Dave Clay, who lives with his family close by now, is planning to start with the first building project. It consists out of a small community centre on the new land, next to the village, and an office. When this is completed a community worker will start children's activities and other work, to help the local village. The plans also include a well for the water, to use also by the village.

We look for sponsors:

The building project: € 5000, the well € 1500, furniture € 2000



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