

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.

Again a trip to Gulu

After a six hour journey we arrive in Gulu , a town in Northern Uganda. The tragedies of 20 years of civil wars are being washed away by lots of new development. During dinner with one of our friends, she receives a phone call that there is a crisis in her rehabilitation home for ex-prostitutes and ex rebel girls.

Lydia has run wild and no-one knew what to do. When we arrive in the dark, we see her sitting alone, in the cold and in the rain. We invite her into the house but then we realize that she cannot walk. Her arms and legs are tied with ropes. We are all shocked at the sight and while we unty her, we smell alcohol. She tasted a little too much....

We take her inside and wrap her in a warm blanket. She looks so hopeless and helpless. We ask Father God to come with His love and heal her deep pain and loneliness. God's love is arresting her and a deep sense of peace and rest envelopes her.

The next day we are passing by to see how the girls are doing. We share our testimonies, Angela, a lady who has lived in the bush for 9 years also shared how God kept her during those difficult years. After the testimonies we share Gods heart of love for the girls and invite them to accept Jesus. Two out of the ten lift up their hands. We pray for them and ask Father God to reveal His love to them.

We should have carried a camera because after our three days we could have made the best "before" and "after" photo session. God's love does not only change the inner man but the outer woman as well!
Ingrid



The Bridge.

We shared with you before about the governmental plans to build a new bridge and a road on the land of Mto Moyoni. April 15th we received a text message that this plan is not existing any more. The government choose for a different option. We are very grateful!

Our next transformation week is June 9-13.

We were surprised by free airmiles for extra flights. We are very blessed! We did visit Holland in May, to see our family, friends and our prayer partners.

Than we visited Canada for connecting to friends and had a time of recovery for ourselves. In July I will attend the international Fatherheartforum in Mooirivier in The Netherlands. Thank you for your involvement and prayers .

Winette



Short updates

- The mothers of Ingrid and Winette visited together their daughters in March. Ingrid's mom celebrated her 81th birthday in Uganda and as a surprise her brother and sister came over to . It was a very special time for the Wilts Family.
- Phyl and Emily Green with their two kids come to help the Mto Moyoni team . He will be the building supervisor. With the little money we have he will start our first building on the land: a low budget accommodation, special for the youth.
- Joyce, one of our workers was very ill by malaria last month. We were very worried, but we are all happy that she is now much better.

Prayerwatch

March 20th there was a prayer for Mto Moyoni.

In Friesland people came together for prayer. In Hardinxveld-Giesendam was a second meeting, were also people from Amersfoort gathered. We felt the hope and trust in the Lord, who keeps Mto Moyoni in His hand.

There were words about spiritual as well as material matters. There was a lot to thank the Lord for. The mothers of Ingrid and Winette just came back from their journey to Uganda.



A bible verses that was read was Psalm 21 .

One of the promises of the Lord is about funds from Holland for Mto Moyoni.

We pray already years for this, but we are convinced that the Lord is giving that at His time. Two weeks later a Dutch business gave a large gift! We can start to build the low budget accommodation for the youth with this money.

The next prayer evening is Juli 3rd in Amersfoort.

If you want information, or want to be involved, please mail us.

A real office manager comes to help us!!

On 17th July I will change my home from the Haniastins in Stiens for a great spot at the Nile in Bukaya. I will change my working place at Friesland Campina for Mto Moyoni and after a tenure of 30 years I will resign and accept a contract for a year. Ain't it great!

I am Yvonne van Meeuwen, 49 years young and I met Ingrid and Winette at a conference in June 2006 in Voorthuizen. Between January 2007 and July 2008 I visited Mto Moyoni three times.

I will start working at Mto Moyoni as office manager and it will be my responsibility to check that the centre operates smoothly at all times, of course in close co-operation with local staff.

Presently I am in the middle of the job application with Africa Inland Mission, the same organisation that also supports Winette. Early July during a cross cultural course I will receive training on how to live in a different culture.

The chance to go to Uganda for a year and work at Mto Moyoni started out as a dream. And dreams can be empty, but not this one. How impossible it sometimes seemed, our God is great. He can make it possible.



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