

# SPOTLIGHT NEWS



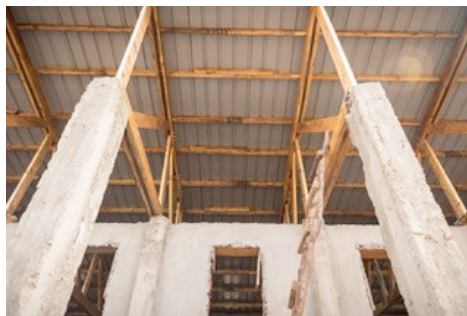
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## BUILDING UPDATES

We now have 3 construction sites up and running in Mbale! Progress on them all has been incredible this month and we have some brilliant photos to share with you showing their development.

### SITE 1 - THE IT CENTRE

Construction on the Information and Technology Centre is making excellent progress. The carpenters that were trained on our Economic Development project have been working hard on the roof structure, completing it just a few days ago.



Now the roof is on, brickwork is being continued on both the internal and external walls, showcasing the beautiful aesthetics of the building. It's really taking shape now and we can begin to see what it will look like once it's finished.



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## SITE 2 - THE ADMIN BLOCK

Our second construction project is the Administration Block on the Namatala Secondary School site. Work is being carried out around the area that will become the entrance.



## SITE 3 - THE CLASSROOM BLOCK

The third construction site is the ground works for what will become the classroom block of Namatala Secondary School. This is a very exciting project as it has a foundation footprint that is far bigger than the whole of the Maternity Centre!



These photos show just how complex the earthworks have been. An enormous amount of soil has been moved to dig the deep excavations for the foundations.



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## Site 3 - The Classroom Block

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The 8-Classroom Block will be a three storey high building, so the iron gauge used needed to be extremely tough and had to be ordered in specially.



A huge well done must go to the contractor and his team for their exceptional work and relentless effort in laying these foundations. Even the wheelbarrow has put in some good shifts!



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## NATIONAL SANITATION AND WATER DAY

Amongst all the construction work this month, we were also involved at a local level in the Ugandan National Sanitation Week. The theme was 'Sanitation and Hygiene for All' - something we strongly believe in.



**NATIONAL SANITATION WEEK 2023**

**THEME:**  
Sanitation and Hygiene for All - A Key to Disease Prevention

**CHIEF GUEST. Hon. Minister of Health, Dr Jane Ruth Acheng**

**Venue: School of Hygiene - Mbale Time: 9:00AM**

**17th March 2023**

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Our Community Health Promoters (CHPs) happily participated in the cleaning of Mbale City, which gave them a great opportunity to engage with local residents about the importance of good hygiene and sanitation in reducing disease.



During the week, our team of CHPs were awarded a certificate of recognition by the Ministry of Health for their tireless work in this area. This is an amazing honour and a wonderful recognition of all their hard work.



**MINISTRY OF HEALTH**

# Certificate OF APPRECIATION

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

## Spotlight On Africa - Uganda Foundation

In appreciation of the tremendous support to the Ministry of Health (Environmental Health Department) towards Sanitation and Hygiene improvement efforts in the country. On this 17th Day of March 2023

*Dr. Herbert Nabaasa*  
Commissioner Health Services  
Environmental Health

*Dr. Henry G. Mwebesa*  
Director General Health Services

## Philip Lee Harvey Photos

Many of the incredible photos in this month's newsletter were taken by Philip Lee Harvey, who has given his professional time for free. We are enormously grateful to him for capturing these powerful images so that we can share them with you. Thank you Phil.

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