

Mission & Giving Update May 2023

Uzimatele, Kenya

It was encouraging to hear Dan Chalke (People Charity) speaking in church on 21st May about the ministry of Pastor George and Jackline in Uzimatele.

The children in the Family Home (photo on M&G noticeboard) are doing well in school, with one boy in final year primary school and two others sitting final high school exams later this year. They need to carry our renovations (furniture, bedding, painting) in order to renew their family home registration certificate.



Uzimatele, Kenya: children at Pastor George & Jackline's Family Home

Owing to changes in the Kenyan education system, they need to introduce a junior high school class, requiring a laboratory and a specialist trained teacher. This is challenging for a school in an informal settlement (slum area) where there is low payment of school fees which are required to purchase books and materials. Encouragingly, four girls from among their scholarship pupils qualified to join university this year after success in their national exams.

George recently conducted the wedding of their youth pastor at the Community Church (photo on M&G noticeboard) and they are fundraising to construct a Sunday school room next to the church which will be a day care business during the week. They are also planning to launch a media team to expand mission through Facebook.



Uzimatele: Community Church Building & wedding of youth pastor



George expresses his deep gratitude for the financial support provided from Cambourne Church to enable them to meet expenses in the Family Home and they continue to pray for God's blessing and favour on us.

Goma, Democratic Republic of Congo

Claudaline sent a WhatsApp message in early May to report that there had been serious floods and landslides in the eastern region of DRC near Goma where she lives, resulting in over 400 deaths, thousands displaced and the destruction of many homes, along with some schools and other key buildings. The worst-hit area is in Kalehe Territory in South Kivu province where access by road to major provincial capitals has been cut off. With support from 'Medecins sans Frontieres' and other agencies, the injured have been transported to hospitals in Bakavu and Goma using boats where possible.

This has definitely affected many of the women whom Claudaline supports with agricultural projects and probably has more widespread consequences for her ministry in the community. I am awaiting further updates which will be posted on the website as soon as they arrive.