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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for partnering with us in 2025 – a year of growth, life change, and thoughtful planning for what lies ahead. We thank God for all He has done and look forward with great anticipation to all He has in store. I'm excited to share these year-end updates.

GROWTH

- We reached a record high of 1,012 sponsored students! This year, 30 students graduated, bringing our total to 266 program graduates.
- Through your generous support of our BUILD HOPE Campaign for our new Hope High School in Rubanda, the library and two additional classrooms are fully funded and will be constructed this year.
- Through your record-breaking generosity for Christmas gifts, every sponsored child received a gift, and a birthday celebration for Jesus was hosted at all seven care centers.
- Your giving truly counted BIG. We met the \$40,000 matching challenge for our year-end fundraiser, resulting in \$154,000 donations – providing a strong financial foundation for the year ahead.

LIFE CHANGE

- At Tommy's Village, our newest care center established in 2025, we are already witnessing the life-changing impact of sponsorship. Brandon, a toddler whose mother is no longer in the home and whose father struggles with alcohol, was once described as "the most neglected and malnourished child in the village." Though his father was initially suspicious of the program, he eventually agreed to send Brandon to school. While in Uganda, we met Brandon who was happily running and playing on the school grounds, surrounded by older children who look out for him and include him. He has become close friends with Simon, another little boy now sponsored from the village, who was being raised by desperately poor grandparents, one blind and the other seriously ill. Seeing Brandon and Simon together—loved, fed, healthy, and learning—is a powerful reminder of what God is already accomplishing in just a few short months through your support.

NEXT STEPS IN 2026

- BUILD HOPE Campaign: A priority focus will be raising funds to build a Multipurpose Hall at Hope High School. This space will serve as a chapel, dining area, meeting and classroom space.
- Mary Cox Foundation School in Kagadi: To accommodate growth, plans are being finalized to begin construction on a fully funded new primary school campus.
- Golf for Hope: For those in the Chicago area, our 3rd annual golf outing will be held on Saturday, August 22nd. Details to come.



Through your generous support, all these achievements are possible. Thank you for making an incredible difference in the lives of the children and communities. May God bless you, and may He continue to bless His ministry in the year ahead.

Peggy Walding

Board Chair

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