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Reaching Beyond Globally Returns to Kiryabicooli

In June, Marianne and Vicki returned to Kiryabicooli, Uganda, following a 2 year countrywide shutdown due to COVID-19. During this trip they saw first-hand the impact your donations are making not only on our 15 secondary school students, but on their families and the community.

Ballet classes for 300 students

Once again, with the generosity of SoDança, Jean Headquist, and many local ballet schools, Reaching Beyond Globally provided leotards, skirts, shorts, shirts and ballet slippers to the students of Deirdre Ann Academy. Marianne and Vicki taught 3 ballet classes each day to students from preschool to Primary 7. Their recollection of our work from 2019 was fun to see and allowed them to teach more complex technique and skills.

85 of these students board at Deirdre Ann Academy and requested ballet classes on the weekend.



Family Visits

Marianne and Vicki visited the homes of the 15 students RBG is sponsoring. The parents prepared thank you speeches in Ronyoro, and they were translated by Madrine. The gratitude and relief expressed was HUGE. One mother said, "I can now walk around the village with pride as I can say my daughter goes to secondary school".

Many families told us without Reaching Beyond Globally's support, their child would not be able to attend secondary school. This gives them hope for their future.



School Visits



St. Andrea School Students



St. Edward's Students



Notre Dame Academy Students

Marianne and Vicki visited the three secondary schools our First Fifteen students are attending. They had not seen each other since 2019.

There were many tears, hugs and smiles. The students are enjoying their classes and doing very well. They are in top of their classes.

The students are seeing what their futures can hold for them with continued hard work. It was wonderful to see their newly discovered self confidence.



New Direction for Reaching Beyond Globally's First Fifteen

Based on conversations with
the students, teachers,
families and community
members, RBG is now
committed to funding 2
additional years of schooling

In order for the students to be in a strong position for employment, they would need to attend two more years of school, following completion of secondary school. They could participate in 2 year certificate courses which would give them a trade and immediate employment, or 2 years of advanced secondary school preparing them for university.

The students and their families see this as necessary. Reaching Beyond Globally has decided that this is an important next step for our students.



Giving Tuesday

Reaching Beyond Globally is participating in Facebook's Giving Tuesday fundraising campaign. Meta will match donations up to \$7 million.

Reaching Beyond Globally also has a donor who will match the first \$1,000 raised in our Giving Tuesday campaign.

Please take a moment to help change the future of these students' lives. Go to Reaching Beyond Globally's Facebook page on Tuesday, November 29 to make a donation to our Giving Tuesday fundraising campaign.

The students, their families and the village of Kiryabicooli thank you.

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