



# Isaac's House Newsletter

March 2012

## About Isaac's House



Isaac's House has a vision to provide homes for children in Uganda affected by war, HIV and poverty. We create safe, sustainable environments in which health, education and growth can be achieved.

Isaac's House began in 2008, when our founder member Paul Howells and a group of trades people and other volunteers from Merseyside travelled to Uganda to build the first orphanage 'James Dunn House of Hope'. Isaac's House now have a second orphanage and the Isaac's House family continues to grow thanks to our supporters and sponsors. Currently Isaac's House support twenty-two children, and in each newsletter we will introduce the children, providing you with information about their stories and progress.

## Latest News

### Volunteer trip...

In February 2012 Paul and six volunteers travelled to Uganda to visit the children Isaac's House support. During the trip volunteers fixed gutters to the orphanage to collect rain water and painted the orphanages, whilst spending time with the children. One of the volunteers described their visit to Uganda as "an inspirational trip, the children were brilliant and the charity is doing amazing work".

### Junior has begun secondary school!

The oldest boy Isaac's House support Junior (16) has begun secondary boarding school! In Uganda boarding school provides the best quality of education for children and Isaac's House want to ensure all the children we support are given the best start in life! As this costs the charity extra money we are looking for another sponsor for Junior, if you would like to sponsor please email [isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk).

### Our thoughts are with Grace...

One of our girls at Isaac's House, Grace, moved into James Dunn House of Hope in March 2010 thanks to her sponsors. Grace's mother was seriously ill and unable to care for her daughter. During Paul's trip in November the children began their two month school holidays and Grace requested to stay with her mother during this time and over Christmas. Paul arranged for this to be possible and Grace spent Christmas with her mother. We are sure they treasured this time together. Sadly, on the 10th January 2012 Grace's mother passed away and was buried in Soroti, North East of Uganda where she was from. Everyone at Isaac's House send their thoughts and prayers to Grace.



### School bag appeal...

Lastly, a big thank you to everyone involved in our school bag appeal! The children at the orphanage walk 30 minutes to school each day, with lots of books to carry, so their new sturdy school bags are very much appreciated!

# The Isaac's House Family...

## Gloria and Brian

Gloria and Brian are the latest children to join the Isaac's House family. They both moved into the orphanage in February 2012 as both children have no parents to care for them.



Gloria is from Western Uganda and Paul Howells first met her in November 2011. Gloria is a polite, caring girl who is head girl at her current Primary school.

Paul first met Brian in 2008 but he did not move into the orphanage as his grandfather was caring for him, however Paul discovered since then Brian has been living full time at his school and doesn't have a home or parents. Brian is head boy at the same school Gloria attends. Brian is hard working, clever and enjoys football.



Both children were welcomed into the orphanage by the staff and the children. Brian and Gloria are in need of another sponsor each and if anyone is interested please e-mail us, at [Isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk). For your generous support you will receive letters and photographs from your sponsored child.

## Upcoming Fundraising Events

### **Annual Spring Ball at Formby Hall: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm.**

Come and join Isaac's House raise money with a three course dinner, live music and a raffle! Tickets are £35 to be paid in advance online at [www.justgiving/ihspringball](http://www.justgiving/ihspringball). For more information please contact Beth Hogg at [bethhogg@hotmail.com](mailto:bethhogg@hotmail.com). If anyone can provide raffle prizes please get in touch!

### **Zumbathon in Formby: Monday 14th May, 7.30pm.**

Zumba is the latest fitness craze! Zumba involves dancing to music from around the world, with all different styles of dancing. The children in Uganda loved Zumba, so come and give it a go! The Zumbathon will take place at the Formby Legion, Whitehouse Lane, Formby, L37 3LT. Tickets are £5 and you pay on the day or online at [www.justgiving.com/RachelHowells](http://www.justgiving.com/RachelHowells).

### **Afternoon Tea Party in Rainhill: Sunday 20th May, 2 – 5pm.**

Come and enjoy afternoon teas and cream teas served along with lots of other yummy cakes and biscuits at St Ann's Millennium Centre, View Road, Rainhill, L35 0LE. There will be various craft stalls to browse, mini beauty treatments, raffle, auctions, and bingo with a difference! There will also be tasty treats for you to buy and take away too. If you can bake a cake and bring it along to donate - this will be gratefully received. Entry is £1 so come along and indulge yourself - bring your friends! Please email Sharon Cook, [sharon.cook@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:sharon.cook@blueyonder.co.uk) and let her know if you are attending and how many friends you are bringing!

### **Liverpool Tunnel 10K: Saturday 10th June, 9.30am.**

Set yourself the challenge to complete Liverpool's 10K run! Raise money for the charity through sponsorship from friends and family. For more information please e-mail [isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk) or contact Paul Howells.

**If you are interested in holding your own fundraising event, or raising money for Isaac's House charity please get in touch! We can help you organise the event, provide fundraising packs and if you wish to promote the event we can publish in the newsletter and on our website and facebook page.**

# Recent Fundraising Events

## Isaac's House Festive Fundraiser

The Doyle family held their 2nd Isaac's House festive fundraiser at Palmerston Tennis Club in Allerton in December 2011. The night was a huge success, with live music and charity raffle and auctions. Thank you to Gill Doyle for organising the event and helping to raise money for Isaac's House, yet again. We hope everyone enjoyed the night and congratulations for raising a massive £2,000! This money will go a long way in Uganda and make a big difference. Thank you all for helping put big smiles on little faces!



# Support Isaac's House Charity

**There are numerous ways to support Isaac's House charity:**

- Sponsor a child to live for £5 a month as a regular monthly donation
- Sponsor a child for £20 a month and for your generous support you will receive letters and photographs from your sponsored child
- Donations can be made online on our Just Giving website, [www.justgiving.com/isaacshouse](http://www.justgiving.com/isaacshouse)
- Come along to our fundraising events (as listed above) or hold your own fundraising events!
- Volunteer your skills to help with the daily running of the charity!
- Any old clothes, items to sell, paperback books? Isaac's House are always looking to hold car boot sales, or take out to Uganda for our children and staff

## Photograph Moments

This photograph shows (left to right) Junior, Samuel and Mike. The three boys are walking home from a long day at school. Their School is called Bethel Primary School and is a 30 minute walk from the orphanage. The children have long days at school, arriving at 7am and finishing at 5pm. They even have school Saturday mornings! All the children really enjoy school and work really hard. Junior and Samuel are brothers, and both say they hope to be pilots when they are older! Mike hopes to be a doctor when he is older!



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