

MICHAEL'S HOUSE, INC.

EMPOWERING EACH OTHER TO SERVE THE POOR IN THE THIRD WORLD!
SEPTEMBER 2006 NEWSLETTER

THANKS

I wish to thank all of you who encouraged and actively participated in my dream to establish Michael's House Inc., and from whom I am learning so much. It has been an extraordinary experience getting to know each of you thoughtful, caring, and visionary people who now constitute this project. This project is no longer mine but yours. I believe that grace of the human spirit that lies within each one of you will continue to develop a community, a circle of giving and compassion that will last for many years to come.

Michael Craig

LET THE GOVERNMENT DO IT!

There are millions of elderly poor throughout the world who are trapped in the political global debates about poverty. These individual men and women are suffering horribly. These are the people who cannot wait for Governments and institutions to initiate fundamental changes in their lives. They don't have the time left in their meager lives to wait for local or international institutions to reach a consensus on how or if they should get their "daily bread". They are old, desperately in need, and praying for the response of brave and prophetic individuals like you. This is our target population.



PHILOSOPHY

Since its inception, the focus and philosophy of Michael's House Inc., remains the same. "Empowering Each Other To Help the Elderly Poor In The Third World". While it is imperative that we keep our elderly poor foremost in our sight, it is also important to remember that by operating collectively we are also beneficiaries of Michael's House Inc. "It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life that nobody can sincerely try to help another without also helping himself or herself." (Ralph Waldo Emerson) By our involvement in our projects we activate a dimension of our lives, which is essential to be fully human and fully alive. As we continue, we learn that service to a just cause rewards us with more real happiness and satisfaction than any other venture of life. The service of each one of us in turn creates opportunities for others to serve. It's a way of interacting and living our lives in a dynamic, involved and concerned way.

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Currently we are paying pensions to sixty dependent and destitute old people. We hope to increase this number to 200 by the end of the year in response to demand.

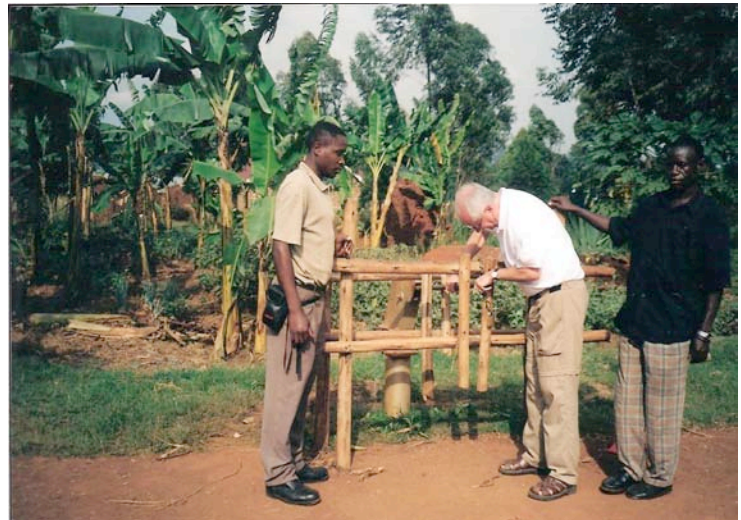


KININIATIVE UGANDA PROJECT

The KINiniative project in Kempala, Uganda, is a compound in a bush village, which was started originally to house and school children who had HIV/Aids. It is under the direction of Ben Ssenoga who is a lifelong advocate for the vulnerable in his village. The village also has many old people who have no means of survival. Most of these people have lost their complete families from HIV/Aids. We currently pay each of them a small monthly pension and we have plans to develop a garden project from which they can get vegetables to help them further. We will have more about this in our next newsletter.



The dining room at Kininiative and testing the well at Kininiative donated by one of our kind benefactors



Success Stories!

Recently we asked your assistance to raise \$400 by September 1, 2006 to buy each of our destitute elderly guests a pair of suitable shoes. This has been accomplished! Thank you

We also recently collected a supply of cold and cough remedies and cash donations to purchase medications. These are sorely needed especially now due to the cold weather and recent rains and flooding. Many of our elderly are quite ill and without the comforts of home or even a bed, any relief we can give them from their illness is essential.

"When the story of these times gets written, we want it to say that we did all we could, and it was more than anyone could have imagined".—Bono

FUTURE...

To insure the future of our projects we need to enter into dialogue with our friends and encourage them to join us.

**Please make checks out to Michael's House, Inc.
Pension Fund checks should be marked 'Pension Fund'**

Your continued support is invaluable, Thank you

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