

# LOVING ONE BY ONE MINISTRIES

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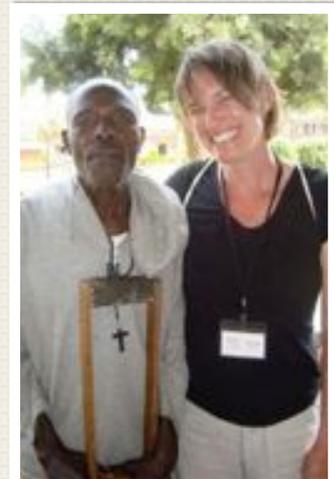
RACHAEL FEELING AT HOME WITH  
NEW FRIEND

## A Special Day Visiting the Elderly

Four time team member Rachael works in an elderly home in Canada. Loving the elderly the way that Rachael does she had asked if we every had time to try and find a home for the elderly in Uganda. You don't see too many old people in Uganda, as life expectancy is 53 years. 50% of the population is 15 years and under.

Not ever seeing a home for the elderly - we searched and finally found one. The team moved from room to room greeting and passing out cookies. In one of the last dorms we found a jewel. Juliette, a 13 year old intelligent girl who was "dumped" there three years ago because she couldn't walk. Thanks to team member, Erika and her home church, we will be enrolling Juliette in school this month. God opens doors and we step through them.

We had so much fun singing and dancing with the beautiful elderly that this will now be added to our list of ministries with the mission team members.



RONDA WITH MAN WHO  
SPOKE FRENCH



THIS MAN WAS SO MUCH FUN -  
LOVED TO DANCE WITH US



JULIETTE OUR "JEWEL"



RACHAEL AND MORE FRIENDS

# Empty Fridge

An empty fridge means it's time to go to the grocery store and stock up. I'm infamous for going to the grocery store without a list – something my mom did NOT teach me. You know the grocery store rules: buy off your list and don't go when you're hungry. Yea, I break those all the time!

An empty fridge in Uganda means the same thing in this house – time to go to market (fyi ... many Ugandan families do not have a fridge. And many can go hungry much of the time. children in this home do not take their meals for granted. They thank God for each and every morsel!).



So, off to market we go. It's so colorful, with all the fresh fruits and veggies. And Ugandans certainly know how to make a display. I LOVE the way the tomatoes and potatoes are stacked. Buying for 18 children + mamas + aunties means a lot of food. Thankfully we have our usual vendors that look forward to our coming each Saturday. I remember my first trip to market. We had potatoes, tomatoes, carrots, green pepper, watermelon, pumpkin, eggplant, onions, greens and more. I stood looking at our loot

thinking “how on earth are we going to get all of this on a boda?”

Alex tethers our loot to his boda boda.

If you read my last blog, Ugandans know how to transport almost anything by boda, huge piles of groceries included. You would be amazed at how many items can fit in a burlap bag and then strapped to the boda for the ride home.

I get a lot of stares and “Hey Mzungu” at the market. One day, I was waiting for Sarah at our potato vendor and a man came up to me saying something and “Mzungu”. We was waving his fist at me and I had know idea what he wanted. I just said “no thanks”. He finally walked away. Only later, when I shared the story with Sarah, she laughed and said “He wanted a fist bump.” To which I responded, “Do all Ugandans think that Mzungu's fist bump?” Apparently the answer is yes. So on your next trip to Uganda, please remember the fist bump!

Once we are done at the fresh food market, we hop in a taxi to the supermarket (Capital Shoppers,



Quality Supermarkets or Shoprite) for the rest of our weeks supplies. We fill 2-1/2 carts and quite obviously THAT won't all fit on a boda, so we call our trusty driver, Ivan.

Now depending on what time of day we go or what is happening in town, this trip may take as little as 2 hours or 4 hours. And if I'm lucky, we may stop and get a chapatti and samosa (my favorite Ugandan treats!) for lunch.



Article written by Intern Leslie, pictured here with Michelle of NCFH



Our 18 children who have VERY healthy appetites.

## Last Newsletter

### Top Ten Reasons Why You Should Go to Uganda On A Short - Term Mission Trip

# TOP TEN EXCUSES FOR NOT GOING TO UGANDA

Just to be fair, and as a followup to my “Top Ten Reasons to Go to Uganda” post, here are the “Top Ten Excuses for Not Going to Uganda.” Along with each excuse, I’ve provided a response. Here we go...

*Written by Guest Writer Charley Miller*

10. I can't afford a trip like that. Neither could I. Neither can many of the people who go. Chances are you have many friends and/or family members who would love to contribute a small amount, or maybe a large amount. *Do some research on Loving One By One, and put the word out to your people, and see if you get any responses.*
9. I won't know anyone on the team. This is totally no problem at all. You'll be working closely with a lot of people you don't know, and you'll make friends within a day or two. *And on the off chance you don't like anyone on the team, just be nice and deal with it and in two weeks, you'll go back home. It's all good.*
8. This trip sounds dangerous. *It's not.*
7. I heard that guy Ken with Loving One by One is really strange. *He is, but he's harmless. Sort of like me.*
6. I don't deal very well with sick and/or impoverished people. *I can relate, because I don't deal very well with them either. But on my first day of working out there, I found it wasn't an issue for me anymore. Or maybe it's just a Uganda thing, because I still don't want to deal with sick people here. Impoverished maybe; not sick. I think the sick people in Uganda are just a lot cooler than the sick people here. Anyway, you'll be fine.*
5. I don't like getting shots. *Sure, that sounds like a reasonable excuse. You might have a few minutes of pain, or maybe a day of discomfort. That's a good reason to not help people who are struggling to stay alive. (That was meant to be sarcastic).*
4. I don't think I can learn the language. *Most people there speak English. That includes some of the members of your team. (HA – just kidding; they all speak it. Some with accents). There will be Ugandan people you see every day who struggle with English, but there will always be someone who can translate for you. You'll probably pick up a few words of their language. I'm really bad with languages, but I did fine.*
3. I don't have useful (i.e. medical) skills for a trip like this. I don't have medical skills, and I can't build things, and don't have any of the traditional “mission trip” skills you might think are needed. *I plugged in right away and found ways to help. Who knows, maybe you too can become an optometrist.*
2. I don't think I'm physically/emotionally/spiritually strong enough for this. *You'll be fine!! You're not doing this by yourself. If you need to take a day off, you can take it off. Chances are, you'll find you're loving the work so much, you won't want to take a day off. But don't worry. You'll be fine.*
1. I'm addicted to my computer, I-pad and phone and don't think I can survive without them. *OK – A, you probably need to find a way to get over that; and B, you can bring all those things with you. Internet service is a little unpredictable, but it's there.*

Is this trip for everyone? Probably not everyone - but chances are it's for you. You can do this!!



## UPCOMING MISSION TRIPS

May 27 - June 12, 2012 - Availability

June 18 - July 4, 2012 - FULL

Jan. 11 - Jan. 27, 2013 - Availability



Charley and new friend doing their guitar thing

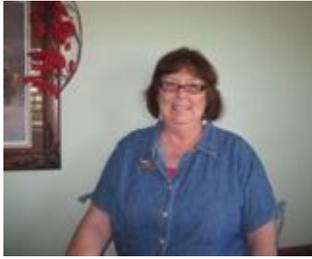
Michelle using her sign language to speak with a man who needed help

Jan and daughter Stephanie are in awe of brand new baby named after Jan

Sonja and Danna passing out dresses to the girls

# MEET OUR LOVING ONE BY ONE BOARD MEMBERS

FEATURED THIS MONTH: *Rebecca Rivera*



Rebecca and her husband Carlos traveled to Uganda with Ken and Sherry in 2005. Being long time friends of the Roberts Carlos already decided to go to Africa with them. After telling Rebecca that he did not want to have this life changing experience in Africa without her, she decided to go along. Little did she know just how life changing it would be! She has fond memories of helping to paint a large Noah's Ark Mural on a wall at the Sanyu Babies Home, as well as visiting several sponsored World Vision children in areas of Uganda. LOBO was just beginning to become a reality at that time, so Rebecca is saving up her "airline miles" in the hope of returning to Uganda to see the Ministry in full operation.

Rebecca has been married to Carlos for 33 years. They have one son, Brandon, who is 26. She worked for more than 15 years as a church and school secretary. Though semi-retired, she stays busy as the co-chairman of the Caring Ministry at South Bay Community Church, which makes and sends out greeting cards. Rebecca feels that while email is great, there is still nothing like getting a card in the mail, especially a hand made one!

Whether is it helping Sherry pack for a trip to Uganda, or assisting with a LOBO fundraiser, Rebecca says it is a JOY to serve on the Board of LOBO. She enjoys being Ken and Sherry's "go-to person" and is willing to help wherever needed.

Carlos and Rebecca sponsor "Joseph" in the New Creation Home and can't wait to meet him one day!



Front Row: L- R: Emily Nease, Karen Adamik, Sherry Roberts, Back: Debbie Scherer, Rebecca Rivera, Jim Adamik and Ken Roberts

## PRAYER MOUNTAIN

This small mountain is the place where Ugandans will walk some time DAYS to come and commune with God. There is a reverence and peace here like no other place in Uganda. Christians come from anywhere from a day up to weeks - camping in the bush spending time alone with God praying and worshipping. It's an awesome experience to HEAR the mighty prayers and songs coming out of the bush being lifted up to the one true God.



## WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE SERVE

Loving One By One Ministry was started in January 2005 by Ken and Sherry Roberts whose passion for the poorest children of Uganda led them to start New Creation Centre, a school offering free education and 2 hot meals a day for refugee children from northern Uganda and Sudan. Their vision was to be able to reach many more refugee children for whom education would be otherwise impossible. In 2007, LOBO established New Creation Family Home, providing a home for orphaned children. Both NCC and NCFH are staffed by qualified, caring Ugandans with NCFH operating in a true family atmosphere. Now that LOBO has acquired the 9 beautiful acres of land, the next immediate goal is to establish a village atmosphere for New Creation Family Homes and School. Here children will learn to grow their own food, care for farm animals, and practice life skills enabling them to contribute to the local community. A future goal is to add a medical clinic offering quality health care for the poorest in the surrounding area.



## PRAISE REPORT

- 1) **PRAISE the Lord** for HIS continual faithfulness and blessings in funding for Loving One by One Ministries.
- 2) **PRAISE for Lord** for the generous \$50,000 matching fund donation that has become available.
- 3) **PRAISE for Lord** that Anne Grace newest child at New Creation Family Home is adjusting well.

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED

**PRAY** for Intern Leslie Whitehead as she serves a year with Loving One by One in Uganda. Pray that God will use her in a mighty way.

**PRAY** for the Winter 2012 Mission Team Members as they are preparing to travel to Uganda to serve. Pray for good health and strength for all the team.

**PRAY** that our dream of having the first children's home completed by the end of 2012 will become a reality.

**PRAY** for wisdom and continued funding of the building phases of the projects. PTL God provided the money for the land and He CAN provide the LARGE amount needed to build. If you would like to know more about the project and amount needed to complete each phase, please email us at [sherryroberts77@yahoo.com](mailto:sherryroberts77@yahoo.com).

## Supporting Our Ministry

As our ministry grows so do the needs for our continued work in Uganda. If you would like to partner with Loving One by One Ministries on a ONE TIME or MONTHLY basis, you may send your tax deductible donation made payable to Loving One by One Ministries at Loving One by One Ministries 78206 VARNER Road Suite D-294 Palm Desert, CA 92211. OR you can donate online at [www.lovingonebyone.org](http://www.lovingonebyone.org). Click SUPPORT and sign up to make a single donation or a recurring monthly donation. These donations can be paid through PayPal, major credit card, or debited directly from your bank.

**2nd Annual Fundraiser  
Night of Entertainment & Dinner  
April 2012 (exact date TBA)  
LOOKING FOR DONATIONS FOR  
OUR SILENT & LIVE AUCTION**

We also have monthly sponsor packets available for our orphan children at New Creation Family Home at a suggested monthly support of \$40. Brand New - sponsor packets for children in our school for a monthly donation of only \$20. Your monthly sponsorship not only comes with handwritten letters and photos from your sponsored child, but also the knowledge that your sponsored child will have opportunity to receive a Christ-focused education and to thrive in the secure, loving, family home environment so desperately needed by these orphaned children of Uganda.

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