

# ABA YNY



TEAMS / Grow, Serve, Empower



## WHAT DO ABAANA DO?

Since 1998, we have concentrated our work in East Africa, focusing on establishing schools and Child Sponsorship. Where possible, we also help to finance rebuilding work at pre-existing schools in Uganda to ensure safe, secure learning environments. We also assist in providing the resources such as books, writing tools and learning equipment.

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Children in our sponsorship scheme are able to attend school, receive teaching, daily meals where available and the resources needed to help them through their education. More than 6,000 children are living on the streets in Kampala, Uganda's capital, where Abaana runs Street Reach. Here, up to 200 boys receive a square meal, medical attention, and the opportunity to be involved in organised activities. In 2007, Abaana built 6 homes (New Life Homes) providing safe residence for boys seeking refuge from life on the streets. New Life Homes provide the opportunity for schooling and improving future prospects.

## ABOUT ABAANA

We are passionate about children! That's why we've called our charity 'Abaana' meaning 'children' in one of the languages of Uganda. We are an organisation committed to meeting the needs of the children of Uganda, helping them to break the chains of poverty through education.

With help from many faithful supporters, Abaana has built 13 schools throughout Uganda, and currently provides sponsorship for 1,350 children. Child Sponsorship now also extends to Street Children, who are offered a fresh beginning, and a place in our New Life Children's Homes.

## THE VISION

Our vision is to see the children in Africa have their needs met, their rights upheld and their dreams fulfilled. We aim to do this through raising awareness and motivating people to give sacrificially so that lives are transformed and the love of God is shown in a practical way.

## VOLUNTEER WITH ABAANA IN UGANDA

We would love to host your group in Uganda! Abaana will help to facilitate your trip, offering mission trips for churches, practical volunteer trips for schools and businesses so that you can embark on the journey of a lifetime. Please do get in touch with our office if you would like to lead a team from your organisation.

Of course, individuals can join teams, too. Check out our website where you can register online to join a team of your choice.





## TEAM ACTIVITIES

## SUMMER SCHEME

Visit a number of Abaana's Primary Schools which are located across Uganda, organising a summer scheme including activities like drama, arts and crafts and playing games.

## PRACTICAL WORK

There are plenty of opportunities to get your hands dirty! You could be involved in building a new school, brick laying or painting. On the job training provided, no experience necessary!

## WORK WITH STREET KIDS & NEW LIFE HOMES

Work with street kids through the Street Reach programme, playing games, giving them lunch and medical care.

You could spend time with children, who were formerly living rough on the streets and are now being cared for in our New Life Children's Homes. Witness first-hand the dramatic difference that love, care, and shelter can make to a young life.

## SPORT PROGRAMMES

Traveling through Uganda, visiting Primary Schools coaching various sporting activities including football, netball, volleyball and other games. Develop skills, good sportsmanship, and fair play through fun and games.

# THE DETAILS

## COST

Around £1,700 for a two week period, however, costs can vary from team to team. This price includes:

- Flights and visas
- Accommodation in the Abaana Guesthouse
- Mini bus hire in Uganda
- Food during trip
- Travel insurance
- Two team t-shirts and a team hoodie
- Team first aid kits
- Preparation and support from Abaana UK and 24 hr support from Abaana Uganda staff whilst in the country

## FUNDRAISING

Part of preparing for your trip will be fundraising. Don't let finance stand in the way of going! Once you decide to go, it's amazing how the money comes in and friends, family, work, church, or school are willing to support you. Abaana will be happy to provide resources and ideas to get you started.

You may also like to adopt a project in Uganda and set a fundraising target. You could provide a water well for a school, furnish a school with playground equipment or even buy bricks for new school classrooms and then help with the bricklaying!

## SUGGESTED INSTALLMENT PLAN

1st instalment due February  
2nd instalment due April  
3rd instalment due June

**Balance due two weeks  
before departure**

## ORIENTATION

It's important to be as prepared as possible before travelling to Uganda, so there are three briefing sessions covering cultural awareness, medical precautions, and the team programme. Attendance is essential.

## TRAVEL & HEALTH

You will need a current passport with at least six months validity after the date of completion of travel.

You must consult with your doctor regarding relevant vaccinations and anti-malarial medication, which requires to be taken before departure. Failure to be vaccinated may jeopardise your place on the team.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

- All application forms must be completed and returned to our office with a £10 non-refundable deposit.
- Written references and Access NI checks are required as part of our standard Child Protection responsibilities.
- An informal meeting may take place with the Team Leader.
- Please note that places are confirmed on a first come, first served basis.
- To apply, go to **[www.abaana.org/teams](http://www.abaana.org/teams)**
- Alternatively, phone Louise on **028 9145 1918** for more information or an application form **[louise@abaana.org](mailto:louise@abaana.org)**



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