# WILMSLOW WELLS FOR AFRICA



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# **NEWSLETTER No 99 SPRING / SUMMER 2025**



It's good to see that the additional income generated last year as we celebrated the 40th anniversary has fed through into more projects. Ten new ones were reported in last autumn's newsletter and now there are 13 more. It's also uplifting to receive reports of the completed work and see the way people's lives have been changed for the better. This joyous photograph is of one of three rehabilitated boreholes which we funded in 2023 in Uganda (Project 362), carried out by Busoga Trust

However, there is still much to do and we cannot afford to be complacent, especially when the government is cutting back on foreign aid spending. This photo shows James, a 14 years-old boy in South Sudan who trundles his wheelbarrow through the arid landscape each day to reach the nearest borehole (2km away). When he reaches it, there are always long queues because it serves 2,000 people meaning the risk of it breaking down is high. Hopefully, we will be able to help by providing a new more convenient water source but this will take time. An expensive deep bore is required and



our experience in this country is limited so we need to make sure that the work will be carried out correctly and the money is invested wisely.

**David Cash** 

#### REMEMBERING ALAN PARFETT

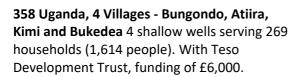


When Alan died last December, we reflected on the magnificent support he gave to our charity over many years and in different ways. He will be greatly missed. In recognition of their contribution, it has been decided to dedicate a well to both Alan and his wife, Pat, who was also an amazing supporter. It will be delivered in conjunction with Village Water, another charity which was particularly dear to them and with whom we have worked many times.

## **SEVEN PROJECTS COMPLETED including:**



**376 Uganda, Kanyashande village.** Provision of 3 x 10,000
litre rainwater harvesting tanks to provide reliable clean water to remote community (similar to Project 366). With JEGMI, funding of £5,925.





#### 13 NEW PROJECTS SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER:

- **375 Tanzania Nyamutsi, Asante and Kasulu.** 3 shallow wells at Kisumu Primary School , at Mwitiri Primary School and at Nyamidaho Health Centre. With Tanzania Development Trust, funding of £4,500.
- **376** Uganda, Kanyashande village. Provision of 3 x 10,000 litre rainwater harvesting tanks to provide reliable clean water to remote community With JEGMI, funding of £5,925.
- **377 Zambia, Nembwele Village in Nanjucha Ward, Nalolo.** Borehole with AfriDev pump for village plus 3 small communities totalling 538 people community maintenance training included. With Village Water, funding of £6,830.
- **378 Uganda, Amina, Katek "A" Village, Busia District.** One shallow well and two spring protection projects. With Afrinspire, funding of £2,040.
- **379** Malawi, 6 villages (Koreya, Likangaliya, Matope, Singano, Tenbenu and Thomu Namba). Repair of a borehole pump in each of 6 villages serving 759 user households and 1 school (approx 3530 people). With Aid Africa, funding of £3,643. **380** Uganda, Bugonga, Entebbe Municipality. Borehole providing clean water for fishing village. With Mission 4 Water, funding of £3,000.
- **381 Uganda, Dokolo School.** 3 metre high water tower (5,000 litres capacity) with solar powered pump to girls school. With HUGS, funding of £2,300 towards total project cost of £6,300.
- **382 South Sudan, Mamenze primary school in Maridi.** 5,000 litre rainwater harvesting tank for Daylight Nursery and Primary School (646 pupil enrolment) to support new classroom block. With African Revival, funding of £850.
- **383 Uganda, Hope School, Koboko.** 20,000 litre rainwater harvesting tank built with eco-friendly ISSB for school of 2242 pupils in north Uganda. With African Revival, funding of £2,000.
- **384 Uganda, Kirinya Children's Centre, Namataba (near Kampala).** Borehole to replace current supply being cut off. Funding of £2,333 (provided by an anonymous donor). In conjunction with The Helen Margaret Owen Foundation.
- **385 Uganda, St Matia Malumba Primary School.** Piped connection (1.5 km) to newly installed mains supply to ensure water during the dry season. With EVC (Empowering Vulnerable Children), funding of £2,000 to be match-funded by the school.
- **386 Ghana, Kpetoroteng.** Provision of borehole to remote village of 212 people in the north west. With Ghana Outlook, funding of £3,000
- **387 Uganda, Okana Idero.** Provision of borehole serving 1,050 people in Lira, Gulu area. With Amigos, funding of £5,000.

#### PLEASE SUPPORT THESE EVENTS

**SPRING SOUPERDAY Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March 11.30am – 2.00pm** with soup, bread, hot drinks plus cake stall and home produce at Wilmslow Methodist Church, Water Lane.

## GARDENS DAY Saturday 28th June 10.30am-4.30pm.



As ever, there will be a great selection of beautiful gardens to visit displaying a range of styles and horticulture. A wonderful day out will be completed by refreshments and plant sales available in several of the gardens.

**BRIDGE DRIVE November.** We hope to repeat this successful event – details will be found on our web-site in due course.

#### **THANK YOU**

The Souperday last October and the Bridge Drive in November were very enjoyable events with lots of home-made cakes! They raised £1,297 and £1,050. We were delighted that Churches Together in Wilmslow chose Wilmslow Wells to be recipients of the Harvest Festival Appeal which amounted to a fantastic £3,352.

The 9 Lectures and Carols event in early December was a great start to Christmas. The event at Wilmslow Guild, was well attended. Grazyna Moore assembled a program of excellent speakers - raising £1,343. Our attractive Christmas card design totally sold out raising £1,050 - another wonderful achievement.

Many thanks to all who contributed in so many ways!

### **CAN YOU HELP?**

If you would like to become more involved in any aspect of our work, please get in touch via our website. If you would like to organise your own fundraising event, all proceeds will be gratefully received. Also, we are looking for more help in the General Committee with the organisation of events – if interested, please contact Helen Battilana (helenbattilana@gmail.com

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