



Update May 2011

- Luuk Diphorn and Kathelyne van den Berg from Akvo visited Kisozi and projects run by Hope Alive Uganda on May 5th, but naturally purposely came to see the borehole in Bukyatifu. Unfortunately, the borehole broke down the evening before but at this moment of writing the borehole is functioning properly again. SMS updates and video updates by Luuk Diphorn and Kathelyne van den Berg can be read and viewed here: <http://www.akvo.org/rsr/project/185/>
Materials for the maternity ward (bottles and dummy teats) were taken from the Netherlands to Uganda by them.
- 2 large boxes filled with materials for the maternity ward have arrived in Kisozi. The boxes contained: mattresses, more than 400 umbilical clamps, tape, stretch pants. They will be used the moment the maternity ward is opened. Riots in Kampala have delayed the purchasing of materials, but Hope Alive Uganda is aiming to do so in June when the situation in Kampala is safe enough.
- During May we were disturbed enormously by weak internet lines and lack of power.
- Work at the farm continues at slow pace: the job of fencing the land is almost finished. The road to where the poles are being cut is a narrow road causing work to go slow to bring the poles to the land. What's more, at some parts of the land, Hope Alive Uganda had agreed villagers to grow their crops which will be harvested at the end of July. Until harvesting, Hope Alive Uganda will not carry out any work at those parts of the land. After harvesting however, villagers will need to look for another space to grow their crops, so that the new phase at the land can start: planting a certain type of grass to improve the condition of the land for the cows which will eventually graze on the land.
- The financial report on 2010 was finished this month by our accountant.

- In May, the focus was mostly on signing papers with the landlady concerning renting the restaurant for the catering project and actual work at the restaurant. The restaurant is located at Main Street in Jinja and has been renovated and painted this month. Fine art artist Ronald Elamu from Hands in service has painted decorations inside the restaurant and the signposts which will be placed in and around Jinja at 3 different locations. Furniture is being made and equipment will be bought the first two weeks of June. Hope Alive Uganda offers women's group and artists a sales point at the restaurant and women's groups and artists interested in this can contact us. The restaurant is expected to open in June. A domain name for the website was bought: <http://www.eddysrestaurant.co> and though still under construction, the website is filled with information and photos. Thanks to Heleen van Egmond, certain modules and the template was installed on the server. The restaurant even has its own twitter account. Job interviews will be held soon, as descriptions are up on the website(s) and some applications have been received.
- Heleen van Egmond helped us with installing the Dutch translations to the website. Thanks to Heleen, some minor problems with the website were solved.
- Thanks to Heske van den Hurk and Floor Mulder the Dutch translations could be added to the website: they made sure the job of translating the website into Dutch was done and finished.
- Jeanette Schuijt and Ilse van der Arend continued their fantastic work of selling necklaces.
- Hope Alive Uganda has received a nice donation from het Goeie Doelen Winkeltje which will be spent on beds, mattresses, sheets and blankets for E & E medical centre. Het Goeie Doelen Winkeltje has supported Hope Alive Uganda before (concerning mosquito nets which were handed in August 2010) and we are thankful to receive their support once more.