



## *Update October 2011*

- Steffie Balleman has finished designing the brochure about Hopepads. The brochure will be used during meetings with women's groups and at schools to instruct women and girls.
- The Kleurige Kettingen Middag that was organized with Pauline Bockling from Maridadi (<http://www.maridadi.nl>) appeared to be quite successful: quite a number of women showed up and bought necklaces made by the women in Jinja. The profits of sales were almost 200 euros! Hope Alive Uganda has decided it will benefit the (set up) of the maternity ward in Kisozi.
- Stichting Babyhope in the Netherlands has donated materials for the maternity ward in Kisozi again: materials such as pads, umbilical clamps, baby clothes, equipment for the midwife (gloves, aprons etc.), bottles, baby toys will be shipped to Uganda.
- Hope Alive Uganda got in touch with Petra van Oorschot (who works with Martinair) through Stichting Babyhope. Hope Alive Uganda discussed the need for assistance concerning shipping materials for the maternity ward and with the help of Petra hopes that Martinair is interested in offering space on cargo flights to Entebbe, Uganda so that materials can be shipped on a regular basis which would help Hope Alive Uganda a lot, since Hope Alive Uganda now struggles to raise money to ship materials each time.
- In 2010, Vraag & aanbod international shipped sewing machines and computers to Mombasa, Kenya for Hope Alive Uganda. Unfortunately, papers with information never reached Hope Alive Uganda at the time and only recently, Hope Alive Uganda has found out about this shipment in 2010. After some research, Hope Alive Uganda discovered that fortunately, the goods never got lost, but were transported from Mombasa, Kenya to Kampala. Hope Alive Uganda went to Kampala to check whether the goods were actually still there and hopes to transport the goods to its office in Jinja in the second week of November. After that, Hope Alive Uganda will make a plan for affective use of the goods in its projects.
- Eyecamps will be organized in the first and second week of November in and around Jinja: in Walukuba, Budondo, Kakira, Wanyange and Mafubira. On November 1<sup>st</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup> the pairs of glasses will be selected by optomotrists.
- Eyeclarify has enquired from Hope Alive Uganda whether Hope Alive Uganda is interested in receiving new pairs of glasses. Hope Alive Uganda has responded

positively and plans to organize new Eyecamps in 2012 after receiving new pairs of glasses.

- A case handed in by Hope Alive Uganda with the 1 % club has been chosen for Co-Creation Day on November 10. During that meeting a team of enthusiastic people will try and come up with a plan that will focus on teambuilding and improving commitment and bonding among community members in Kisozi.
- Annemarie van Voorst, a volunteer who helps sell necklaces made by women in Jinja, has sold a number of necklaces to fairtrade shop WAAR in Utrecht.
- Hope Alive Uganda has handed in a plan for the 24 hours action of the 1 % club, but doesn't know yet whether the plan will be accepted or whether enthusiastic people will support us with that plan. The idea is to sell around 344 necklaces in 24 hours so that the project online at the website of the 1 % club can be finished during that action.
- Hope Alive Uganda is waiting the results from an interview with the Japanese Embassy in Kampala. Hope Alive Uganda handed in a project proposal and was invited for an interview the last week of October.
- Wilde Ganzen has visited Hope Alive Uganda in Jinja the last week of October.
- Hope Alive Uganda is looking for 75 disposable cameras. Hope Alive Uganda plans to use those together with photographer Melanie Rijkers during its Eyes of Africa project in 2012. Hope Alive Uganda has asked Mediamarkt in the Netherlands to donate 75 cameras, but is still waiting for an official response, even though the initial reaction by Mediamarkt was positive. Anyone wishing to contribute a disposable camera is invited to contact Hope Alive Uganda: [info@hopealiveuganda.org](mailto:info@hopealiveuganda.org)
- Preparations for the Eyes of Africa project have started: thanks to Michael and Esther from RCMI questionnaires for children were designed and ideas for contacts with street children came about.
- Hope Alive Uganda has asked Edward Echwalu, a Ugandan photographer to join Hope Alive Uganda and Melanie Rijkers during the Eyes of Africa project. An official invitation is on the way.