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# Founder's Corner

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Dear BHIK-U friends,

Greetings from Uganda and from me.

I thank all the Board of Directors for the wonderful work you have continued to do in my absence. Thanks to the Advisory Council as well for your great support in form of ideas, your time and financial contributions and the continued efforts towards the publicity of our foundation.

I have updated you weekly on the progress of the project in form of pictures that have been shared on social media and our website. (Thanks to Board President John Grillot for doing the job of disseminating these pictures.) We are on schedule; unfortunately the cost of building materials has now gone up due to inflation, but we are doing our best. I kindly request that all our well wishers continue supporting us in our fundraising efforts for this year in order to enable us to complete construction (which is still a very long way). We are now working on the first floor of the classroom block before adding the top floor. The dining/kitchen structure is now nearing the roofing level. The other buildings we need for this phase are toilets/shower rooms for the students, and the gatehouse, for security. We need more donations to keep this construction going and eventually we shall need to be stocking the school with furniture and equipment. All this needs to be achieved by the end of 2018. Our target is to open the school in February of 2019.

In order for us to open in 2019, we need about 125 sponsors. Our target is to have about 250 students and half of them will need sponsors. I am kindly requesting that if you would like to change the life of a needy child please get on the sponsor list. It will take a donation of \$50 per month to sponsor a child. See pg.2 of this newsletter for more information.

Otherwise I am now well settled in my new Parish as Pastor with two assistants who are very cooperative. Keep me in your prayers. You are in my prayers as well.

Blessings.

Fr. Julies

Fr. Dr. Julius Turyatoranwa



April – May 2018

# **Calendar Notes**



### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018

7:30 am Monthly meeting of BHIK-U Board of Directors- Rectory basement meeting room

### SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018

All Day Bus trip to Cubs vs Cardinals game at Busch Stadium – fundraiser for BHIK-U

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018

7:30 am Monthly meeting of BHIK-U Board of Directors- Rectory basement meeting room

## Monday, May 21, 2018

**5:30 pm** BHIK-U Advisory Council mtg. at Knights of Columbus Hall in Washington

## THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2018

6:00 – 8:00 pm BHIK-U booth/display in the Community Tent at Washington Good Neighbor Days Community Night

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2018

7:30 am Monthly meeting of BHIK-U Board of Directors- Rectory basement meeting room

# SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2018

**6:30 pm** Peoria Chiefs game – 2<sup>nd</sup> annual fundraiser for BHIK-U; "Faith & Family Night"- fireworks, tennis ball toss, and Christian concert after game (see pg 3)

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# THE ST. PATRICK BOARDING PRIMARY SCHOOL- UGANDA STUDENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

# **SPONSORS**

- Commit to \$50/month or \$600/year, beginning January 2019
- Are encouraged to send letters & photos
- Can sign up to go on a "mission trip" to see the school and meet their sponsored student
- Are encouraged to donate in 2018 to help build and equip the school for the students!
- Can follow progress on the school project: newsletters, website, Facebook

# **SPONSORED STUDENTS**

- Will write a letter to the sponsor (or have it written for them if too young) twice a year
- Will allow basic information to be sent to sponsors:
  - Name, age, grade of student
  - o Photo of student
  - Possibly some basic family info
- Will keep sponsors in their prayers
- Will do their best at their studies
- Will be able to meet with sponsors if they come to Uganda on a mission trip



TO GET ON THE SPONSOR LIST:



# Go to www.BuildingHopeInKids.org; click on "SUPPORT"; scroll down to "GET ON THE LIST". (While you're on the website, check out all the information available there!!)





# EFFORTS CONTINUE ON 2 FRONTS: . construction -





TOP Left: Walls of first floor of classrooms going up. Each room will have window in front & back for cross-ventilation.

TOP Right: Fr. Julius with friend Dr. Hilary in front of classroom block. Handicapped ramp can be seen behind them.

BOTTOM Left: Preparation for constructing the  $2^{nd}$  floor of the classroom building.

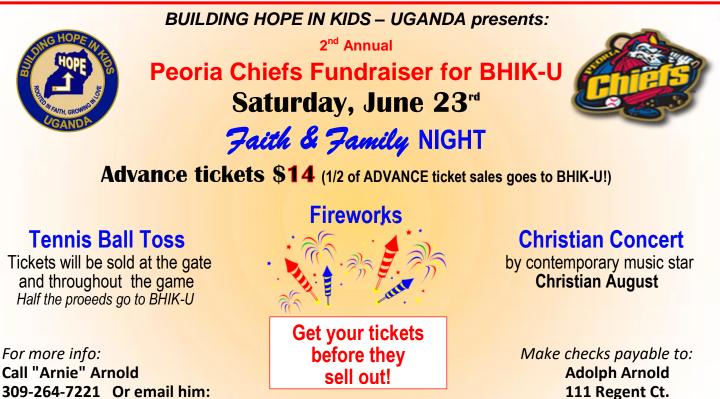
BOTTOM Right: Work on the Dining Hall has started. The photo shows the view of the valley below the school site.

Projection is that before the end of May both build-ings will be ready for roofs. *AMAZING*!!

To keep the construction going & stock the buildings with all of the necessary furniture and equipment, we need to raise \$250,000 by the end of 2018.

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#### FROM THE DESK OF THE BHIK-U PRESIDENT, JOHN GRILLOT

BHIK-U was officially created on April 26, 2017 and is now approaching its one-year "birthday". With Fr. Julius back in Uganda, the need is greater than ever to increase our efforts and involve more people. Our fundraising success thus far has allowed us to start school construction.

However, we have much further to go to complete the school complex. Accordingly, the BHIK Board of Directors is expanding the BHIK-U Advisory Council, a group that helps in the organizational efforts and activities related to building Fr. Julius' Uganda school.

Are you passionate about helping build Fr. Julius' school to educate and develop children in Uganda? Do you want to do things that truly make a difference in people's lives? We invite you to join the Advisory



Council as a core member of BHIK-U, especially in the areas of Fundraising and Communications.

The Advisory Council meets every other month; the next meeting is on Monday, May 21 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm in the Washington KC Hall. Please contact me or another member of the Board if you have any questions.

John Inilot



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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace... Rom 15:13

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The June newsletter for BHIK-U will be digital only -- It will be posted on our website, with a link emailed to all those who have provided their email addresses to us. Sign up to get email notifications and links to the newsletter at www.buildinghopeinkids.org

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