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- The Muwanguzi Family -

Dan Muwanguzi is the man who first invited me to visit Uganda back in 1996. He was then on the staff of the Youth With a Mission base in Jinja. Dan has become a great friend and we have continued to serve together each year during our visits to Uganda. Dan has a real heart for nurturing and training the local church in Uganda and runs church based Bible Teaching Schools in local towns and churches.

Sadly, like so many people in Uganda, Dan is HIV+ and to keep the virus at bay he requires regular medication provided by either The Mildmay Mission Clinic just outside Kampala or Mulago Hospital in Kampala. His medical bills take much of the support that Dan receives from friends around the world. He has a wife, Miriam, and three sons Jonathan born in 2001, David born in 2005 and Mike born in 2006.



Dan (holding Mike), Miriam (holding David) and Jonathan.

You may notice the crutches in the photograph above. Sadly just before my visit in June last year (2007) Dan was involved in a road traffic accident when he suffered a broken pelvis and damage to his knee. He was admitted to Mulago Hospital where he had an operation on his pelvis. He is now back home and is recovering his mobility.

This year (2008) Dan will be working an Elder from my church (Dave Banks) who will be out in Uganda during May and June teaching a

Discipleship course in a number of local churches as part of **Uganda Ministries** teaching ministry.

To help provide some financial security for Dan and his family **Uganda Ministries** set them up with a **Chicken Project** that enabled Dan to sell the eggs to local people and once the chickens stop laying he could sell them on as meat. Until the summer of 2006, Dan had nearly 500 chickens to care for. Sadly an outbreak of fowl pest disease meant that he was in danger of losing them all so he had to sell them. Dan believed that buying more chicks might only lead to the same outcome so he and Miriam decided to buy 450 broiler chickens to sell on as meat and also set up a **Charcoal Project** (As they said to me – “Pastor Mike, charcoal doesn’t get disease and die!”).

- Charcoal Project Costs -

Uganda Ministries provides the finance so that Dan and Miriam can purchase charcoal (used by most Ugandan’s for cooking) in bulk at **£3.00 per bag** and then sell it to the local people for around £4.00 per bag. They use the small profit to buy further supplies of charcoal and buy food, clothes etc for the family.

Dan still has a couple of **cows** to provide milk for his family (Dan’s elderly Father, who is blind, and his Mother and Aunt live just across the way from his home) and any surplus is then sold to raise finances to support the family. Again Dan gets help from some of the locals to care for and milk the cows so this provides some small income for other people in need of support.



Dan’s two milking cows.

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