



# HOPE IN ACTION

*QUARTERLY IMPACT REPORT Q1*

# UGANDA

## NGORA



A Designs For Hope team traveled to Ngora, Uganda in early January, 2020 to visit with our partner ministry, the Kabakuli PAG Church. Part of the visit was to evaluate the use of the water well that was drilled in June 2019. We wanted to see how both the village and the church was using the water to meet the needs of the people of the Kabakuli village. As anticipated based on our initial analysis of this project, the water is both useful and life-saving. Also anticipated is that the community demand for clean water is greater than the hand-pump can supply. While we were there, we conducted a study of converting the hand pump to electric pumping through the use of solar power and large storage tanks. Through our engineering design process, we are working on finalizing a design that we hope to implement in Q3 of this year.

Other planning took place with Martin Odi regarding the Designs For Hope Pastor Training Certification Program. Martin is our African coordinator for accredited certification in five African countries: Uganda, Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, and Ethiopia. The Pastor Training Certification Program is part of the DFH initiative to empower disciple makers in the developing world in order that they may ignite their communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ. To learn more about our certification program, visit: <https://www.designsforhope.org/pastor-certification>

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# UGANDA

## TISAI ISLAND



A Designs For Hope team traveled to Tisai Island, Uganda in early January, 2020 to visit a water project site in connection with a partner denomination. This is a very unique design project as it's located on an island...in the middle of a lake. The only means of transportation onto and off of the island is a hand-dug canoe. Of the 5,000 residents, most never leave their home. The residents gather drinking water from the lake and suffer from many waterborne diseases. During the survey, our team did not see any means of sanitation like pit latrines or septic systems. This means that all human and animal waste will flow back into the lake (the same one they are drinking out of).

There are three PAG churches on the island with whom we plan to work hand-in-hand with to provide a solution to the W.A.S.H. (water, sanitation, and hygiene) needs of the residents on the island. Our initial design idea is to provide solar powered surface pumping (lake water) into large eight-staged water filtration systems at each church location. The filtration system is designed to remove virus, bacteria, nitrates, nitrites, heavy metals, and more.

We are working closely with our partner to equip them for ministry. Not only are we designing a water system, we are designing a discipleship program with the denomination leadership to invest in the spiritual needs of the church leaders and parishioners.

Implementation will begin when funding has been met. To give to this project, go to:  
<https://www.designsforhope.org/projects>

# NICARAGUA

## MANAGUA



A team from Designs For Hope traveled to Managua, Nicaragua in February 2020. The purpose of the visit was two-fold. First, we were meeting some of our partners from Cuba for the purpose of delivering to them pump supplies for them to take back to Cuba. What we learned last year is that there is a shortage of needed water delivery items in Cuba and that American citizens cannot take these items into Cuba without confiscation. We also learned that Cuban citizens are able to take items into the country with less issue. So, we flew three Cuban nationals from the main church we work with to Nicaragua and met them in Managua. We successfully delivered enough supplies to them (and the materials successfully arrived in Cuba) to be able to install six (6) submersible pumps for six different churches.

A second reason we were in Nicaragua in February was to meet some potentially new partner churches from the country. We had a productive time interviewing and getting to know several ministries from Managua and beyond. We are praying over these meetings and plan to return to conduct an in-depth ministry visit to several of these locations. Pray with us as we seek guidance on new partnerships.

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# CUBA

## SANCTUS SPIRITUS



After our ministry partners returned to Cuba with the submersible pumps and supplies, we began a plan on implementation of these six projects. A team was scheduled to visit Cuba in April; however, it has been delayed due to the country being closed down from the Coronavirus pandemic.

That hasn't stopped our Cuban nationals in sharing Jesus with the villages in the two areas where we installed water wells last year. Reports that many people have accepted Jesus from the efforts of meeting physical needs and going house to house and sharing the Christ who loves them.

A group of 16 people will travel to Cuba later in the year when travel begins to open up. In the meantime, our nationals are exploring new locations, surveying church sites and asking questions about the need of the communities.

# CUBA

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# KENYA

## KIMANA



Designs For Hope was contracted by Jesus Harvesters Ministry in Trussville, Alabama to design and implement a solar-powered water well for the Agape Fellowship Orphanage in Kimana Kenya. The design phase included analysis of the problem and the need of the orphanage. It was decided that the water should not only be given to the orphanage, but to the community as a whole. It was also determined that a water delivery design was needed to deliver water for crop irrigation of 15 acres.

A successful implementation took place in February 2020 to the joy of the Kimana community, Agape Fellowship Church, Jesus Harvesters Ministry and Designs For Hope.

If you know a church or missional organization who works with indigenous churches in the developing world, we would love to talk with them about ways that we can help design and implement appropriate technology to meet their needs. For more information on our partnerships, go to:  
<https://www.designsforhope.org/empower>



# PASTOR

## TRAINING



In regards to pastor training, our focus for the first quarter was to begin preparing the pastor training curriculum for our partners in Africa so that we can have an accredited certification to deliver to our partners. Our goal is to empower these men and women for gospel ministry and we know that a good foundation is a must!

We started with a curriculum that was written by Third Millennium Ministries, and we are adapting and editing it to ensure it is appropriate for both the pastors' level of education and their cultural context. We are blessed to have a Samford student from Ghana who is helping us to do this well, and we are working with indigenous pastors in Africa to insure our language translations are precise as well. We will be translating our curriculum into six different languages! This curriculum will be taught in five different African countries over the next year, and upon completion, the pastors will receive a Certification in Christian Ministry from Birmingham Theological Seminary.

We are very much looking forward to teaching, equipping, and being with our brothers and sisters in Africa, and we pray that the Lord will lead and guide us in all the ways He would have us serve them.

# PASTOR TRAINING

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# VOLUNTEERS

## SOLAR CUBE PRODUCTION



We have reached our initial goal of building 250 Solar Cubes by the end of the quarter thanks to the amazing support of our volunteers and staff. This gives us excitement and momentum as we consider how this pandemic will affect our goal for the year.

If you are interested in volunteering with Designs For Hope, please feel free to email [Ben@DesignsForHope.org](mailto:Ben@DesignsForHope.org).

Below are our First Quarter Volunteer Numbers:



**250** SOLAR CUBES BUILT

**11** SOLAR CUBES DELIVERED

**18** SOLAR CUBE PARTIES

**511** VOLUNTEER HOURS

**150** VOLUNTEERS



# LOCAL VOLUNTEERS

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