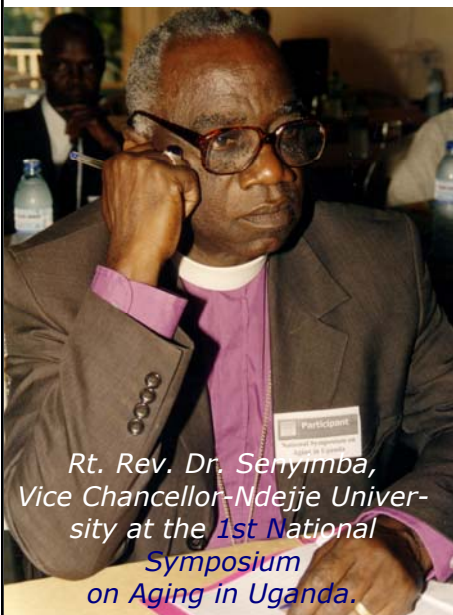




In partnership with the Government of Uganda Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, (MGLSD) ROTOM Organized the 1st ever National Sympos-

1st National Symposium on Aging in Uganda



Rt. Rev. Dr. Senyimba, Vice Chancellor-Ndejje University at the 1st National Symposium on Aging in Uganda.

posium on Aging in Uganda. The Symposium was part of the week-long events to celebrate the International day of older persons. It took place on 29th September 2007.

The Symposium attracted 127 par-

ticipants carefully selected from key stakeholders. These included government departments, training institutions, hospitals, development partners, politicians, religious leaders, older persons' organizations and most importantly older persons themselves.

Experts presented papers in areas of their expertise, which were also discussed by the participants.

- The issues discussed covered:
- Gender, Culture and Older Persons.
- The impact of HIV/AIDS on older persons.
- Social Economic and Financial Aspects of Aging.
- Social Protection and Social Pensions for older persons
- Aging and Disease in Uganda
- Informal and Formal Support

Systems for Older Persons in Uganda

- Uganda's Priority Policy Areas for Older Persons.

The symposium was organized with support from Uganda Reach the Aged Association (URAA), Cordaid Netherlands and Help Age International (HAI)

The symposium was highly appreciated by all participants and it was resolved that it become s an annual national event to discuss issues that affect older persons in Uganda.

It was officially opened by the Permanent Secretary Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Mr. David Obong and closed by The 3rd Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for national Guidance and Information; Rt. Hon. Kirunda Kivejinja. In attendance was also the Minister of State for health, Hon. Nduhura

By E K Muganyizi - ROTOM-

ROTOM Senior Sponsorship.

For only US\$ 25, Euro 25 or CDN \$30 a month, you can sponsor a senior in Uganda to:

- Hear a clear presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Participate in weekly Christian fellowship and Bible Study.
- Receive weekly visits from volunteer Christian counselors.
- Receive free regular medical screening and treatment.
- Receive a weekly hot and nutritious meal.
- Access safe and healthy housing

Every year, as a sponsor, you will receive a photo, update report and a letter from the senior you sponsor



Eudia, 77 years is one of the seniors awaiting sponsorship.

Nehemiah: 2; "... Let us rise up and build."

ROTOM Center, the second step!

Mark and David Landry pouring concrete in the ditch



ROTOM Senior Citizen Center is slowly but surely taking shape.

The second and most important building at ROTOM Senior Citizens' Center is under construction. This is the Healthy Center.

The construction of the healthy center started in January 2007. The 1st phase of this building; the foundation was started with a show of team-work of friends from Uvalde, Texas as well as volunteers and masons from Uganda.

A team of 6 men from Texas worked together with a team of Ugandans for a week of pouring concrete. Over 36 yards of concrete were poured in the foundation ditches.

As Mark Landry from TX, the leader of the team from TX put it, the most im-

portant stage of a building; the foundation had been laid and with this other levels will follow. The foundation is nearly done and we now look to God for resources to do the walls.

When complete, the healthy center will provide medical treatment to poor and needy older persons. It will also provide medical services for other members of the community at a small fee.

Please support us in any way you can to enable us complete this building. Our goal is to complete this in two years.

You can contribute through prayer, putting together a building team or by donating finances.

Completion requires:

- 310 pieces of iron (roofing) sheets @ \$16 each.
- 882 bags of

cement @ \$12 each;

- 109,105 burnt clay bricks. 15 bricks are available for only \$1.00 US.

You can contribute a few pieces of iron sheets, a bag of cement, or a few bricks. Together we can build the center for needy seniors in Uganda.

A mission team will come from Gallo-way United Methodist Church in Franklin, PA in Oct. 07. Please pray for them. If you can, also make contributions for materials for them to use when they come. Thank you

Edmund Kenneth Mugayehwenkyi

Founder & Executive Director
ROTOM



Work continues at ROTOM Center for Seniors.

Thank you Gwen!!!! *By Kenneth M*



Gwen (center) with other members of ROTOM USA Executive Board.

On behalf of all members of ROTOM and seniors supported by ROTOM in Uganda, please join me in giving special thanks to Mrs. Gwen Kahler.

It was Gwen whose words of discernment encouraged me to begin this ministry during a discussion on her kitchen table in Seneca, PA.

She then followed this by offering to be the pioneer Chairperson and

Director of ROTOM in USA. During her time as the chairperson, ROTOM has grown from nothing to a fully registered and recognised non-profit organisation supporting many needy seniors in Uganda. She has led ROTOM USA with passion, zeal and commitment that goes far above and beyond.

Gwen will remain on the Executive board of ROTOM in USA, where she will continue to guide and steer the direction of ROTOM as a board member.

Thank you Gwen. I am forever grateful for your tireless efforts and love for the needy seniors of Uganda.

God bless you

ROTOM 2006 Annual Report Highlights- Edmund Kenneth Mugayehwenkyi-Executive Director

Every year, we set our selves goals to achieve as a ministry .2006 is over and it is time to reflect.

On 1st July, we officially launched ROTOM in Uganda. At the same ceremony, we also dedicated and did ground braking for ROTOM Senior Citizen Center.

Our outreach to seniors has continued to grow and more lives are being touched and changed.

In the year, we also launched ROTOM evangelism program.

ROTOM, in partnership with government of Uganda organized the 1st ever National Symposium on Aging in Uganda.

For this we thank you all our friends and sponsors. Special thanks to the volunteers, staff and leadership of ROTOM in Uganda, Germany, Canada & USA.

We give all the Glory to God.

2005

1. 127 seniors supported under ROTOM senior sponsorship program.
2. 5 fellowships organized weekly benefiting 80-90 seniors per week.
3. Served 1950 meals to poor seniors.
4. Made 1614 home visits to seniors.
5. Sponsored 411 medical treatments for needy seniors including surgeries.
6. Provided 5 beds and mattresses to 95 seniors.
7. 4 Full time staff and eight volunteers.
8. Started construction on ROTOM Center.

2006

1. 179 seniors supported under ROTOM senior sponsorship program.
2. 6 Fellowships organized weekly benefiting 110-120 seniors per week.
3. Served 3178 meals to poor seniors.
4. Made 3237 home visits .
5. Sponsored 495 medical treatments for needy seniors
6. Sponsored 1st ever National Symposium on Aging in Uganda.
7. Full time staff and 6 volunteers.
8. Built 14 latrines for seniors
9. Official Launch of ROTOM and

In 2007 we ask you to pray:

- Increase sponsorship for needy seniors to 400.
- Building of health center at ROTOM Center.
- Growth of Evangelism Ministry.
- New ministry vehicle

Edmund Kenneth Mugayehwenkyi
Executive Director



Kenneth and Judy in TX, USA last Fall

Join me to welcome Ms. Judith laws, Ms. Rita Joyce and Ms. Cindy Luden to ROTOM family in USA.

Judy is the new CEO and Board Secretary for ROTOM USA. Judy and her husband George are franchise owners of Home Instead Senior Care in Polk, Auburndale, FL, USA. Judy is a committed Christian and her strength lies in prayer. Judy has also been a sponsor and partner of ROTOM for a long time prior to

Judy , Rita, Cindy
You are welcome!

assuming this position.

Cindy Luden is the new treasurer and Board member ROTOM USA. Cindy is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and brings with her a wealth of experience in Financial Management and Accounting. She just retired from an accounting business that she founded and has steered successfully for many years. Cindy has a great passion for missions and has been involved in mission work in USA, Eastern Europe and Africa. Now she says; her burden for mission work is stronger than ever before and being on the board of ROTOM gives her an opportunity to serve in the leadership of a mission organisation. Rita is the new ROTOM USA Ac-

counts Clerk. What I have learned of Rita in the last three months that she has served with us is that she is extremely diligent and is committed to excellence. Three years ago when ROTOM was started, Rita's parents moved into assisted living. Around the same time Rita heard me share about our ministry to seniors at her church. Since then she developed a deep desire to serve seniors in some way. So when we asked her to join us, it was the fulfillment of something that she had desired and prayed for, for a long time.

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It is a blessing to have the three wonderful ladies at the forefront of ROTOM in USA. Please keep them in prayer. Judy, Cindy and Rita. You are welcome. "Twabakira".

Kenneth M-ROTOM

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**ROTOM Evangelism Program:
 63 Prisoners receive blankets**

63 prisoners from Ntenjeru and Kangulumira prisons received blankets from the ROTOM Evangelism Program. The blankets were a Christmas gift to prisoners in the prison where we minister the Word of God regularly. This Christmas gift was in response to the dire circumstances that the prisoners in the two prisons live in. They have no mattress, bed or blankets. Charles Bukenya, ROTOM Evangelist handed out the blankets to the prisoners. Also present were the officers in charge of the two prisons. The officers expressed gratitude for the gift of blankets and said it will go a long way to improve the conditions of inmates living at the prison.

Kenneth M-ROTOM



Prisoners of Kangulumira prison rejoice after receiving blankets



ROTOM Evangelist, Charles Bukenya

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 www.rotom-uganda.org**

.Dear Friends,
 Thank you very much for being faithful supporters of ROTOM.

Once again I appeal to you to come to our rescue because we are faced with a pressing need for a vehicle to visit seniors and supervise projects. Because of poor road conditions in areas we minister, we need a 4WD vehicle.

It costs **US \$ 16,000** to buy a good used 4WD vehicle and we have already **US \$11,000**. We only need **US \$5000**.

I personally encourage you to contribute generously for this cause so that we can buy a suitable vehicle for our ministry.



Edmund Mugayehwenkyi

Thank you

Yours in Christ,

Edmund Kenneth Mugayehwenkyi

Founder and Executive Director-ROTOM

MFB-ROTOM Partnership !

Together we can do more!

It is exciting for all of us at ROTOM to join with Missionswerk Frohe Botschaft eV (MFB) Germany in our ministry to needy older person in Uganda.

MFB has mission experience in Uganda and Germany for over 40 years. This combined with ROTOM expertise in reaching older persons in developing countries will enable us to more effectively reach larger

numbers of older persons with the gospel.

MFB will receive donations on behalf of ROTOM in Germany and channel the support to ROTOM in Uganda. ROTOM will in turn use the support to reach out to poor older persons in Uganda as agreed. This partnership will enable all our supporters in Germany to receive receipts that can be helpful in filing their tax returns.



Rev. Krause Hartmut (MFB Mission Director), 2nd left with Kenneth and ROTOM Team in Germany.

ROTOM, Reaching the elderly and children under their care in Jesus name.