

We went to visit Mrs Kamanda this week. I had visited her in 2019 pre COVID . This time I visited her fellowship earlier in my stay and also had seen her while visiting another senior called Christine who is also in the friendship program. She was happy to finally see me in her home. She is never sure of her age. In her 80's, I am sure. Her lovely neighbour Dezilanta was with her. They are good friends.

I brought gifts of bread, sugar, tea and rice. She was so excited she wanted to light the charcoal to make tea.

Her house was extremely neat and clean and her bed and linens and blanket clean and all very tidy. The one thing that was not good was the corner she uses to cook her food and the smoke stain all up the wall which is of course not vented . She really does need an outside kitchen. The smoke will fill the room which is not good for her lungs .

Her new windows and door are great. I remember how her home was before with no windows or door. She is so grateful to her friend Gary who has done so much for her . She thanks God for him and ROTOM. She loves her solar light, her metal trunk and more. She loves Fellowship seeing her friends, enjoying a good meal and singing and dancing/ The regular visits from the volunteers and field staff reassure her that she is being cared for. She is quite a character and makes me smile. It's always so nice to revisit and see the way her life has been changed .

As you see she now has the large water drum which had been such a great help. The rainy season (which is now) fills the drum with water quickly and then lasts a long time. It has taken a huge burden off her finding water.

Mrs Kamanda is very mobile and able to walk well. She is grateful for her home and all the blessings she has received .

In Gratitude

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