



# Do not let your hearts *be troubled...* John 14:1



**I**n a world that is filled with reasons to worry, it is often very hard to listen to the voice of God calling us to a worry-free life. For many of our seniors, life's worries are often overwhelming. For many of them, when the rain clouds gather in the skies, they start worrying if their houses will be standing after the rain is gone. For **Noho Kitoogo**, he no longer looks at the rain clouds in fear for his house. ROTOM took this worry away when they built him a house where his family can sleep in safety.

**Oliver Naluwoza** is the main caregiver for her grandchildren and has fought hard to keep them in school. When it

seemed like her efforts were no longer enough and she spent sleepless nights worrying about if she is going to find money to keep her beloved granddaughter Gladys in school, ROTOM stepped in to partner with her to meet Gladys' school needs. Gladys is finishing her lower Secondary level this year, and Oliver could not be more proud or thankful. **Jane Nakyato** joined **Oliver** to testify that she can now rest easily because her grandchildren, Sarah and Rita were taken to college by ROTOM and now they are on the road to becoming independent young women.

"God has fed me on days when I was afraid I would sleep hungry", **Namatovu Dorothy** narrates. And for **Kiyemba Steven**, his worry about his unfinished

latrine was taken away when ROTOM helped him complete his pit latrine.

**Stella Nakku** says she was always sick and could not afford to access medical care. She was always worried that the next bout of sickness would surely be the end of her. Her life was changed when ROTOM came in and took away her worries over her health.

Through ROTOM, God is reaching out to vulnerable seniors in the villages of Uganda and assuring them that there is room for them in his house. A place where they do not need to be troubled about where they will sleep or what they will eat. Thank you to all of you our support friends who are making this possible.

----- Older persons living dignified & fulfilled lives! -----



*From the Founder & Executive Director*  
**Kenneth E. Mugayehwenkyi**

On behalf of the older persons and children we serve, and on behalf of the ROTOM Global team, I thank you very much for your faithful and unfailing support. Your support has enabled the ROTOM teams in Uganda and Ethiopia to be a source of provision, hope and encouragement for hundreds of older persons and children in their care during these difficult times.

The corona-virus (COVID-19) outbreak has brought fear all around us but the faithful staff and volunteers of ROTOM have been a beacon of love and hope. We are keenly aware that our outreach is made possible through your partnership; your unfailing prayers and continued faithful support. We couldn't do this without you! And we thank you.

I assure you that our dedicated teams are doing everything possible to reach out to ROTOM's seniors and their families with emotional, spiritual and physical support in this time of great crisis. We have adjusted some interventions and activities to current restrictions, precautions and needs, but our Ministry continues.

We ask that you continue to pray for us and your supported friends.

We will keep you updated of our efforts.

*Blessings!*

### Join our COVID-19 EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN

For only **\$ 25**, you can give towards a senior's Soap & Food Package.

#### **How to Give:**

For details on how to give; Please visit our website: [www.reachone-touchone.org](http://www.reachone-touchone.org)

For **UGX 50,000** only; you can provide a seniors' family with Soap and Foodstuffs.

#### **How to Give In Uganda:**

**Mobile Money:** 0788 188-022 or 0752 881-107

**Bank of Baroda** | Account Name: **ROTOM Uganda**

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# Uncertainty in a Time of the Corona-Virus

## *How ROTOM has responded!*

We are sure that you're aware of the recent outbreak of Corona-virus (COVID-19) which continues to grab headlines as it spreads across the globe. As many countries are fighting to stop the spread of this COVID-19; some are hopeful that this can be done, others claim that this is futile. It won't be stopped and will continue to spread for months. In situations like this, it's very easy to lose faith and live in fear of headlines and the unknowns. And this global uncertainty has also affected our seniors and grandchildren.



The good news is that ROTOM has developed best practices to safeguard our beneficiaries against the COVID-19. Below are some of the measures that ROTOM is implementing:

- ROTOM has sensitized and will continue to update our seniors and grandchildren about the COVID-19. We have put emphasis on regular and thorough hand washing with soap and clean water.
- ROTOM will continue to provide older persons and children in their care with enough food; soap and other hand washing materials including hand utensils in their homes.
- ROTOM seniors and grandchildren will continue to receive medical treatment for any other medical condition from our health centers and partner health facilities.
- ROTOM Seniors and children with existing conditions like Asthma, Diabetes, hypertension, heart disease or cancer will be monitored regularly. ROTOM health team will ensure they have sufficient supplies of medicines they need.
- Above all, ROTOM is adhering to **ALL** guidelines provided by the Ministry of Health in Uganda and Ethiopia.

In light of all this, we would like to encourage you to remember how just, how great, how good, how strong and mighty, how faithful our God truly is. Let us continue to meditate on verses of scripture that we know by heart, pray through and digest inwardly. Whether or not spirituality is a central part of your life, don't hesitate to pray in your way.

As ROTOM, we held prayers for our nations on Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020; and we continue to pray for our countries as we fight against COVID-19. Our prayers and thoughts are with those whose families, communities and countries have recorded COVID-19 cases, most especially our dear friends and Partners.