Our stories

Dreams of the African grandchildren

Supporting older persons raise children in their care through education and health care

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11 ESV

“Thank you ROTOM and Beautiful World Canada. I am very grateful for your effort to see that I fulfill my dreams”.
-Margaret Nakigudde.

Margaret Nakigudde just graduated from Ndejje University with a diploma in Business administration. She joined the ROTOM Champions program in 2017 and her life has been a beautiful journey since.

Milly Nakabonge

When Milly finished high school, she could not join university due to limited resources. Her sisters who had married at an early age advised her to find herself a man and get married. But this was not Milly’s dream, she really loved school and wanted to study to be a teacher. Milly decided to look for a job to help raise tuition to go back to school. She found a job as a housemaid where she was paid 30,000 Uganda shillings (USD 8) per month. She later learned about ROTOM’s project that gives opportunity to young vulnerable girls under the care of older persons to attain higher education.

A week later, Milly was accepted into the ROTOM Champions project and on 8th August 2017, she joined Ndejje University to do a diploma in Education.

She graduated this year 2019 and is already employed as a secondary school teacher. For Milly, her new life has just began.
Saviouss Ainembabazi

When Saviouss’ father died, he left eight very young children in the care of his peasant wife and old mother. He was the breadwinner in the family and his death pushed the family into a deep pit of poverty and suffering. Many days went by with no food for the family, the children could not go to school or even access medical care. Saviouss had to grow up fast. With unimaginable resilience and determination, she began to work on people’s farms to get a little money for her family and for her school. Luckily, she was later enrolled in the ROTOM Grandchildren Project supported by Stephen Lewis Foundation (SLF) which made it possible for her to continue her schooling. She seized the opportunity and worked very hard in school. Saviouss was able to finish high school with the highest points (18). Her handwork has paid and she has been given government sponsorship to do a Bachelor’s degree in Surveying. For Saviouss the sky is the limit.

“My name is Jackie Nagawa. I am 17years old. I joined the project in 2014 when I was in Primary six. I am now in senior four. I never dreamt that I would come this far in school.

My mother is just a worker on a flower farm and the pay is terrible. I am the youngest of 8 children. My mother never had any money for my school fees. I contemplated hiring myself out as a housemaid because was desperate to raise some money. Fortunately, the ROTOM Care Point Katuba project came along with a wonderful staff that encouraged and gave me the affirmation I had never gotten even from my own mother.

I was taken to boarding because I would get school late in the evening due to the distance and found no food at home. My mother does not give me anything.

I want to become a lawyer and help my mother even though she has been unkind to me all my life. All my sisters married very young and are struggling to survive. I want to help them too when I finish school. The project has transformed my life because now my life is totally different. I am now in Senior four. I never thought I would ever come this far in school. I am now more than convinced that dreams do come true.”

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