



## ROTOM Champions Raising Champions!

Transforming Lives from One Generation to Another!

**T**he impact of your generosity for ROTOM supported children, multiplies far beyond what you give. Through your support, ROTOM is not only providing education to hundreds of children and youth; we are also giving them a safe space to discover and grow their potential! Our children's leaders and programs are devoted to cultivating and developing the children to dream big-way-beyond their circumstances.

In Uganda, millions of children live in extreme poverty, and for these children, basic education is essentially out of reach. Josephine, a ROTOM Champions alumni, at one point was one of those children-until the day ROTOM changed her story.

Josephine was welcomed into the ROTOM Champions project in 2018 after being out of school for more than 5 years. Like many other Champions' girls, life wasn't always easy. Her older sister was bearing the burden of caring for

Josephine and their 6 siblings. She always struggled to take care of the family's basic needs, and Josephine often missed school because of financial hardships. Luckily, Josephine managed to complete secondary six within her education truck but could not move any further because of financial constraints.

Upon joining the ROTOM Champions project, Josephine recalls, *"I could not believe it when I was informed that I was accepted to become a ROTOM Champion. I had been out of school for many years, was older than all the other girls, and had given up on ever achieving a higher education. My dreams were buried in a heart of a hopeless girl."* In November 2021, Josephine graduated with a Diploma in Early Childhood Education.

Beaming with joy, Josephine shared, *"ROTOM welcomed me and gave me everything I needed to thrive; tuition, accommodation, food, medical care,*

*mentorship, stipend and the love of Jesus. I always dreamed of becoming a teacher someday, I'm living my dream now because of ROTOM"*.

Today, Josephine is one of the amazing teachers working at The ROTOM School. She's so passionate and works hard to live the dream God has placed on her heart, which is to help children acquire quality education and make a lasting impact in their community. Josephine's class has an enrollment of 18 pupils and she is consistently "showing up" for these children.

The ROTOM Champions project was able to sow a seed that transformed Josephine's life, and now she is sowing that seed into the lives of other vulnerable children at The ROTOM School. What a beautiful picture of ROTOM Champions raising future Champions.

This is how we're changing lives, communities and nations together.

# Meet Ivan Agaba!

## He's Living Proof of Your Generosity!



*From the Founder & Executive Director*

Around the world, too many children start their lives at a disadvantage simply because of who they are and where they are from. It doesn't have to be this way. In ROTOM's context, hundreds of orphaned and vulnerable children have been left in the care of older persons, who are disadvantaged in so many ways.

I, on behalf of the entire ROTOM family would like to thank each one of you who sacrificially donate to support the children left in the care of older persons. ROTOM is currently supporting **253** children through your generosity. We're providing safe spaces where children can grow in relationships while learning their potential and value in life. We have seen despair turn into joy. We've watched children like Josephine and Ivan, who have had it rough growing up, begin to flourish. This has given us incredible joy!

I can go on and on but never come to an end. One thing is for sure though, every story we tell is the result of God's love and people like **YOU** doing their part to change a life. So, from the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU!

Gratefully,

**Kenneth E. Mugayehwenkyi**

Orphaned at the age of 5 years old, Ivan was left in the care of his aunt Ida, now a ROTOM supported senior. Before Ivan joined ROTOM, he had completed secondary four and was out of school for three years. Completing his secondary education would eventually allow him to join university or a vocational institute; however, the family's financial situation would not make this a reality for him.

So in 2020, ROTOM happily welcomed Ivan into our program and helped connect him with carpentry work after a one-year training. Today, we are ecstatic to report that he is successfully employed at the largest carpentry shop in his village! He is now able to meet his own needs - all the while taking care of his aunt, alongside ROTOM.

Ivan shared with us, *"the life I was living before joining ROTOM was full of hardships. Before I couldn't support my aunt. But now she can call me anytime and I am able to support her where I can. She can no longer go to the garden because of her old age. So I pay someone to dig for her such that she has some food security. I have also bought her some goats to keep. I'm hoping that these will be a great source of income in the near future."*

His dear elder aunt Ida exudes, *"I am so grateful to ROTOM for supporting Ivan and I. I call him my son and I am so proud of the man he has become. He is a hard worker and takes very good care of me and he makes me smile in so many ways."*

Despite the challenging life of Ivan, your generosity has made all the difference for him and his aunt. Ivan's story dramatically changed because ROTOM stepped in and offered help at a time when he needed it the most! We couldn't do this without your unwavering support. Your faithfulness is working in the lives of hundreds of children just like Ivan. And we cannot thank you enough.



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