



# Latest News

## How I Spent Easter



*Jesca, on the right of the photo, together with Brenda, is one of our sponsored students who is now studying accountancy in a business school in Masaka. This is her account of how she spent Easter.*

It was Friday afternoon when we gathered to start the Way of the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. It commenced at exactly 2 p.m., though the weather was not good. Very many people came from different areas, including the youth, children, old ones whose backs were bending and used sticks for support and nuns, to mention but a few.

After completing all the stations, we entered into the church and we were led by the priests. Many people were sorrowful because Jesus had been crucified on the cross for our sins, so it was a mourning moment. This gave a lesson to many people and some of them repented of their sins on that day.

The following day we went to do a massive shop, where we bought many varieties of fruit, vegetables and meat, including of course matooke, a type of banana which we cook and eat on most days.

On Sunday we woke up very early in the morning and all the girls from the school went to the kitchen to prepare the meals. Later, we got ready and went to church to thank God and praise Him. Afterwards we organised the dining table and, at 1.30 p.m. everyone gathered and we had a self-service lunch. Later we took photographs for remembrance.

That was my most memorable time this year. I hope you had a nice one too. Thank you for all your support. May God bless you abundantly.

## News from the Schools



Both primary schools recently took part in a local radio and t.v. festival.



Last term, St Matia Mulumba held an election, where all the children voted on who they wanted to act as prefects during this academic year.

## Church Appeals

Our programme of church appeals has gathered pace this year, with 12 planned for this current year and already, some in the diary for 2019. We are grateful to all those priests who have given us the opportunity of speaking about the work of EVC in their churches and all members of their congregations who have given so generously. Please pray for us as we seek to broaden the area in which EVC is known and, pray for Judi as she speaks.

*Enlarge the place of your tent and stretch out the curtains of your habitations...Isaiah 54 :2*

## Meet the Website Development Team



Karen Moubarak



Nemia Corpuz

Karen and Nemia volunteered to join the Website Development Team in September 2016. Both had just completed a Foundation Degree in Web Design, so were keen to be involved in a project, especially one which was so closely linked to St Joseph's Church, their parish in Bedford. At the launch evening for the charity they were impressed by EVC's achievements and future ambitions and so, it seemed a natural move to become involved.

Initially, the task was to keep the content on the site up to date and provide regular blog items, but towards the end of the year, it was agreed that the website would benefit from a fresh look. Suggestions made by the Website Team were fulfilled by local Web Designers 'Reborn Media', and the updated website went live in June 2017.

The new site was designed to give a great experience from mobile phones as well as desktop computers. It not only looks great, but is also packed with extra features such as a downloads' page and newsletter sign up area. Our Facebook feed now features on the site, along with 'share' buttons, to make it easier for others to spread the word about EVC.

We're very grateful for all Karen's and Nemia's work - if you haven't already seen it, please take a look at [www.evcuganda.org](http://www.evcuganda.org).

### Calling All Volunteers

As most of you know, EVC is run entirely by volunteers. Now, owing to its successful development, there is a need for further help in many areas. If you could spare a few hours each week or month to help with tasks such as admin or secretarial work, would like to help with fundraising, particularly at the church appeals, or would be interested in helping to market EVC, please let us know by contacting Judi Fawcett on 01234 865051 or 838134. We are a friendly and informal group and you would be made most welcome.

**Save the Date** for our annual concert which, this year, will take place on Saturday 22nd September in St Joseph's Church, Bedford. A great way of meeting more of the EVC family.

### Come and Join Us!

Prayer is a vital way of supporting EVC's work with the children in Uganda and so, we have now formed a prayer group. Please join us if you can for a time of worship through music and prayer and for a time to pray for the work of EVC in detail.

**WHEN** : 8 p.m. on the last Wednesday of each month.

**WHERE** : Our Lady of Ransom Church, 307 Bedford Road, Kempston, Bedford MK42 8QB.

*'And so it is with prayer - keep on asking and you will keep on getting, keep on looking and you will keep on finding; knock and the door will be opened. Everyone who asks, receives; all who seek, find; and the door is opened to everyone who knocks.'*

*Luke 11 : 9-10 Living Bible*