

Okunguro Pentecostal Assemblies of God Church

Twinned with Stoke Holy Cross Church



Greetings

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to you our brothers and sisters at Stoke Holy Cross Church. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. We thank God for bringing us together in His love, and pray his face will continue to shine upon you.

Yours in His name,

Pastor Robert Epianura

PEP Update

In the last few months we have been conducting research to help us understand our community's needs better. In order for us to meet the needs, we need to understand what they are and where they come from. We help the church and community record their own story about who they are and what their hopes are. We then get people to ask themselves how they might be able to change the situation using the resources they have.

As we gather this information we are finding that the main needs in our community relate to a lack of healthcare facilities, high school dropout rate and a high level of poverty. The church is waking up to the fact that it needs to do much more than before. We pray God will use us to transform the community.

We are also seeing a change in mindset around gender roles. Since PEP began more women are working to provide income for their families. The church is also coming together to care for vulnerable people. An elderly woman with no permanent home has had a house built by the congregation, and another woman whose house got burnt down received a contribution from the church to rebuild it. We are really seeing God's love demonstrated in our community!

It has been encouraging that as we care for the community practically, we build a bridge to care for them spiritually too. Since PEP began many more people are coming to church, eager to share in our joy. We have created a team to support new people coming to the church, and are seeing people grow in joy and confidence.

Prayers

Please pray for Uganda's elections coming up next year. As the preparation begins pray for God to guide the process, and for the right person to be elected.

Pray also for the continuation of our PEP process. That the relationship we have formed and the projects we have started will be filled with God's direction. Amen!