



## The Linda Project

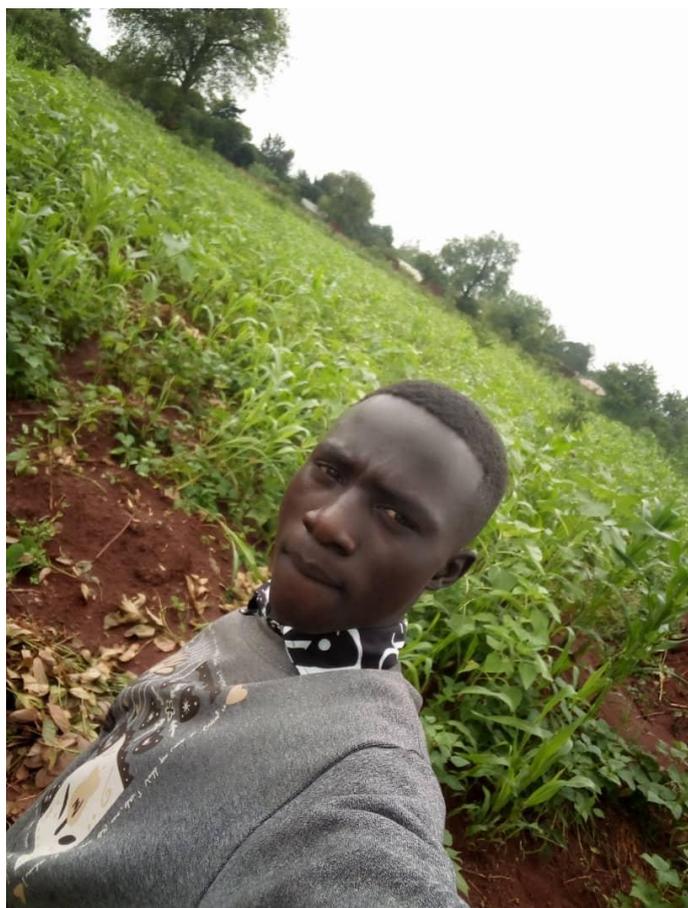
A child has the right to be a child!

### Newsletter nr. 2 – September 2022

**Dear friends and other interested parties,**

Here we are again with the latest news from Lira, Northern Uganda.

In the last newsletter I told you about the situation in Moroto, the district in North-East Uganda. About the terrible drought, the famine, the unrest. Meanwhile, the army is in full force, and the opposition parties are sending trucks full of food that way. Organizations are also sending the children to school for free and providing them with a hot lunch at school. And the miracle has happened: it is raining in Moroto! The maize is already in good shape, hopefully the rain will continue and people will be able to harvest themselves again for the first time in years.



**David is standing in front of a maize field.**

The children all went back to school on September 5th, for their third trimester. Finah will graduate primary school in November, Ivan will graduate O level in October. Kizito goes to a two-year house painter training, a kind of junior vocational training, and takes a final exam for that

Everyone is fine, no illnesses or problems.

We will, however, have a discussion with Jonathan's school next school year. Because he then goes to the 7th and last class and should then officially go internally. That is not possible, however, with his AIDS. He has to live at home and get his medicine, rest and good food. We shall see.



**Morrison, Jonathan, Sarah and Bonny in the dining room.**

Morrison is the administrator who also attends university.

Jonathan goes to P6.

Sarah to S5.

Bonny works at a bank.

**Kizito, Ivan, Gad, Finah en Yubo in the dining room.**

Kizito learns how to paint.

Ivan goes to S4.

Gad is our plumber.

Finah goes to P7.

Yubo goes to P5.



The following is a contribution from **Gad Odur**, our plumber. He has been with us since he was 4 years old, is now 22. A first-class plumber. There is just not much work to be found.

### PLUMBING SKILLS.

Dear Plumber,

I love routine. Waking up in a mindset of installing pipes together with joints, tanks, valves and other fixture of water, gas or sewage system in a building feels so appealing.

This work is popular cross country, indoors, outdoors- each with its precise design and installation structure. This defines my year more than anything else.

The first site conjures memories of crowded tools, equipment, hard startups on muddy fields, of chiseling hard walls and of long working hours followed by chapatis and naps.

The kind of personality that brought me to plumbing is its promise of updated skills and science, rather than the other way around. Someday I plan on being a water engineer with extensive studies in plumbing.

Of course, this year has challenged all best laid plans. In March, I had developed a plan "the best plumbers are adaptable," a reminder that as much as a plumber loves work, they thrive on uncertainty.

It's this tension in economy and lack thereof that makes plumbing so compelling. These days, I wake up to establish science and its often the only thing that goes remotely to plan.

I savor each moment work and reflect on owning an investment (work shop) on good days. The knots and problems unwind as the installation takes shape, breath and movement removes the tension and payment seems obvious.

Other days, the knots are less yielding, so I push harder to that place where thinking is impossible anyway and wipe away worry with sweat.

As a young plumber, I appreciate every step and mile. I also take time and explore limits in trainings and workshops with thoughts of a company or a project so that experience in adult life offer concise and unbiased feedback.

The cumulative drama of 2020-21 will be different for all of us but with prayers and hope, my plan of extensive studies in water science will prevail.

Sincerely, Gad Odur, Plumber

*If you would like to help Gad, please let us know.*



We wish you a nice late summer. Many greetings,

Team Netherlands    Team Northern Ireland  
Team Uganda            The children



**Finah with her dogs**

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