



MAY

Activity Report

2022

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Welcome!

The month of May was a great one at CALM. We carried out a wide range of activities throughout our programs. In the After-school program (ASP), 153 children and youth participated in after-school camps, Bible camps, and counseling. 39 of our teens in the Teens and Youth Program (TYP) continued doing vocational skills including making sanitary pads, and books and 14 of them were celebrated for completing their primary education. At CALM Christian School (CCS), learning resumed on May 16th and it has been going on so well with the number of learners increasing from 109 last school term to 132 this second term. Our Daycare has also improved greatly as the number of babies went up from 4 at the beginning of the year to 9 in May. For details about the May activities please read the rest of the report.



Bible Camp

ASP Activity 1

We carried out a 2-day Bible camp for learners at CALM Christian School and some visiting children. They were 103 children in all. With our theme of, 'My Bible and I', we shared the story of Jesus being tempted taken from Matthew 4: 1-11. Children shared their most tempting moments in life and food seemed to be the biggest temptation for most of them. We are glad that our children were encouraged to read and keep the word of God in their hearts as a way to overcome the devil's plots.



ASP Activity 2

After School Camp Resumed

On May 24th we resumed our daily afterschool camp program at camp Numbers and over 115 campers attended. The camp runs from Monday – to Thursday every week from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm. During the program, we hype up, pray, play, and snack together and also teach them life skills, bible, and vocational skills that help children grow holistically into responsible leaders. Children also went through camp rules to help them conduct themselves appropriately during camps. The excitement of camp reopening was felt among all the children.





School Visit

ASP Activity 3

We also carried out school visits to follow up on our campers' performance in their various subjects. 27 campers from 3 different schools (17, 7, 3 from Bishop East, Takajjunge, and Off – Tu Academy) were visited. Fortunately, all our campers were already at school but with many struggles in their performances, especially exodus campers. The teachers attributed the poor performance of the learners to the long stay out of school for over two years during the Covid-19 pandemic. Our campers are struggling with low esteem as a result of verbal abuse and discouragement from their own parents.

TYP Activity 1

Commissioning Ceremony

As TYP, we are committed to enriching our youth with discipleship and leadership knowledge, skills, and support so that they can become servant leaders in their churches, schools, and communities. In May we commissioned 35 of our teens to go and start cell groups and Bible clubs in their respective schools and neighborhoods. Some of these teens already have cells running in their schools where they share the word of God, pray, inspire, and encourage one another. Each cell group comprises over 10 students who meet twice every week. We are so happy this school term these youth will reach over 350 other students.



Prayer Retreat

TYP Activity 2

Our teens had a one-day prayer and fasting session that was intended to help them reconnect deeper with God. 27 teens were able to lift their souls and spirits to God. Some renewed their faith and prayed for one another. At the retreat, Prossy (17), one of the campers, used to be abnormally quiet, not letting any of her friends get into her personal space. But during the prayer time, Prossy opened up and shared her personal issues. All her friends were amazed and prayed and encouraged her to keep strong and trust in God.



TYP Activity 3

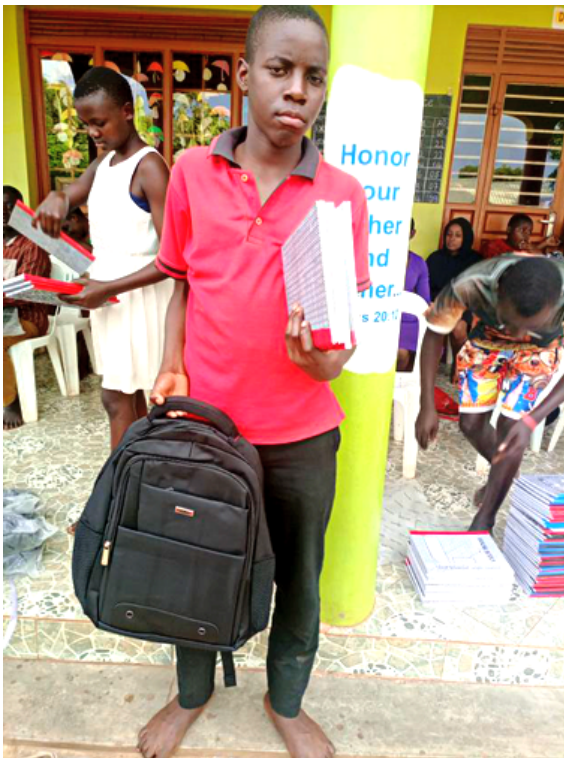
Vocational Skills

Our teens and youth engaged in many vocational skills activities such as making books, sanitary pads, and liquid soap as they prepared for second-term school reopening. 28 teens made 112 counter books and each student was able to take at least 4 books with them to school thus reducing the burden of providing scholastics on their parents and caregivers. Emmanuel Mazima (Form 2) said "Instead of using my 20,000 shillings (approx. \$6) that I had saved to buy books, the money helped to transport me to and from school every day for some weeks".



"God answered my prayer." Isaac Newton, Form 1

HIGHLIGHT 1



When Newton received his first backpack, he went to their small food stall where he works with his mother. Placed the bag strategically on the wooden stand so that his mother would see the bag. But the sight passed his mom and Newton asked her repeatedly, "Mom, what are you seeing" Are you seeing anything, mom? Come on!" The mother looked carefully and saw a brand new backpack that Newton had brought. She hurriedly asked, "Newton, what is that? Where did you get this backpack from?" With a smile running down her face, Newton asked, "From CALM!"

Newton Isaac used to carry his books in a rugged polythene bag and would feel so ashamed doing so. Getting a new bag from CALM was a miracle to him.



Imran (left in white long sleeve) a Muslim boy and Jemima (right) both learners at CALM Christian school were voted the most active children during the Bible camp each walking away with a backpack.



Term Two Reopening

CCS Activity 2



On the 16th of May, our school opened for term two and throughout the month learning went on so smoothly. There was a great turn-up of learners in the first week of classes. We received 19 new learners making our school enrollment level increase from 113 in the first term to 132. Due to the diligent work and impact that our teachers are making on the lives of the children, the news about CALM Christian School is spreading like a wild fire, and many parents are encouraged to bring us more children. We bless the LORD for the favor upon our school and the team.

Highlight

Raphael's Mother's Story

Raphael is a boy in primary one. He joined our school during the visiting program that we run in COVID-19 lockdown. After witnessing the rapid progress in Raphael's learning, his mother decided to bring this term 3 more children - Precious, Jerome, and Jethro (Raphael's siblings), all in Baby class. She did not just stop there. Raphael's mother convinced another family and then they brought 2 more children to our school. We are so happy that the impact our learners are experiencing speaks volumes in the their communities.



Raphael, 7 (standing)



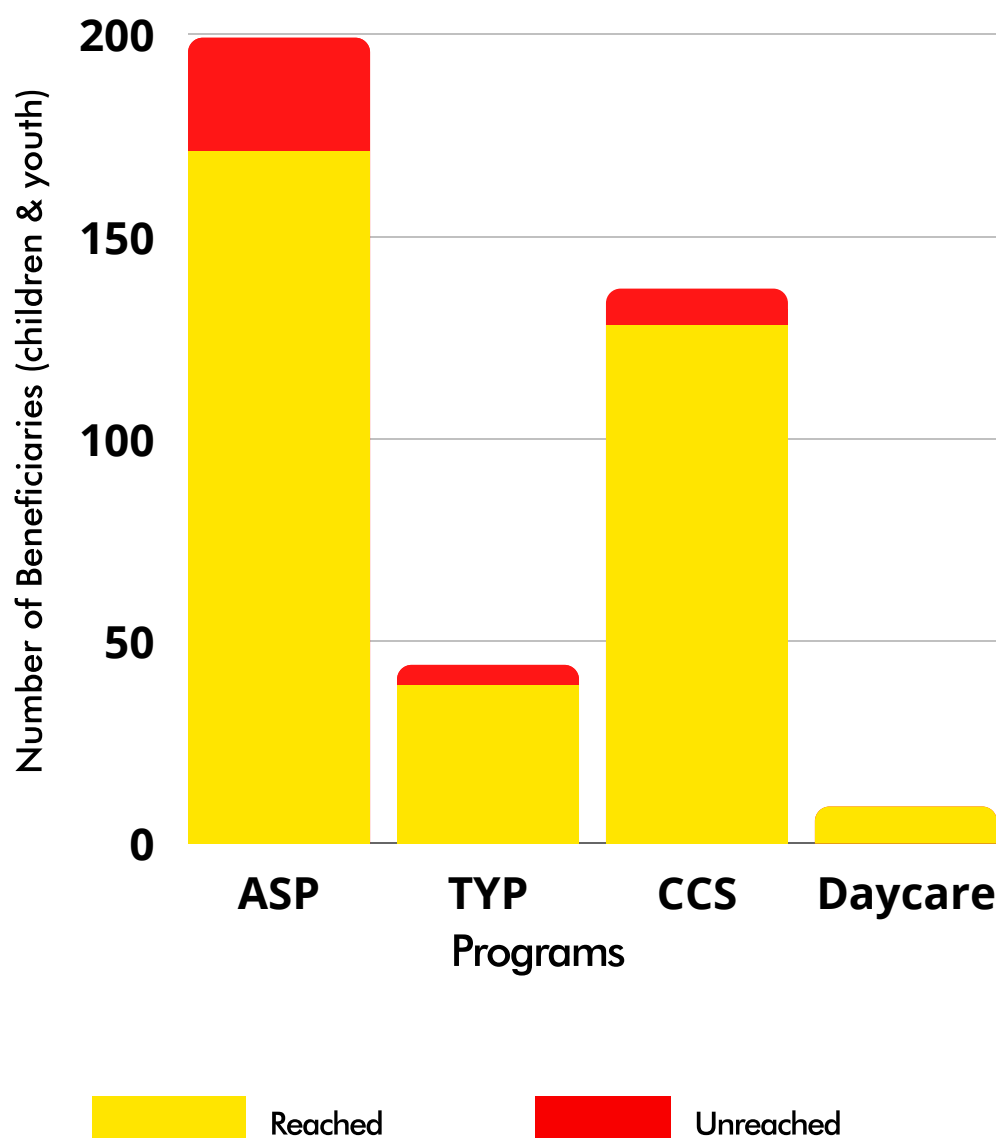
Daycare

CCS Activity 2:

Our Daycare has been growing every week. We started in January with 4 babies and by May, we had got more than 5 babies. In our daycare we do devotion, sharing and coloring pictures, playing games, sliding, swinging and napping, and many more. We are so impressed by the hand-grip the children are developing. Our children are growing not only physically but spiritually as well.

KEY STATISTICS

Beneficiaries Reached and Unreached According to Programs in May



PRAYER REQUEST

Many learners have been sent back home because their parents don't have money to pay school fees. We, therefore, request that you pray with us for:

- Families who are struggling to keep their children in school to find the money.
- Inflation due to skyrocketing prices

**We are able to reach these children
because of your support.**

THANK YOU!



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