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HIV Clinic Data July - Sept. 2018

Patient Re-attendances: **685** New Patients Enrolled on Anti Retroviral Therapy (ART): **16** Mother/Baby Pair Re-

attendance: 89

New Mother/Baby Pairs

Enrolled: 01

Viral Loads Done: **56**Baseline CD4 Done: **13**Patients who received Social

Support: 96

Patients who are also Precious Souls Ministry Clients: 69

Major Challenges: CD4 machine cartridges out of stock, drug stock outs.



Pictured Above: BACC Short Term Missions team visiting the home of Charles Walyawula, Precious Souls Ministry Client and Community Mobilizer as well as HIV Clinic Client, Peer Counselor and Cleaner.



Being The "Hands and Feet" in Manafwa

Two mission teams from Bay Area Community Church in Annapolis, Maryland spent 12 days each in Manafwa District in July and August respectively, serving with the Precious Souls Ministry. With a packed schedule from touch down to take off, the teams covered miles and miles by air (8000 miles), by road (170 miles), and on foot! They visited at least four Precious Souls clients in their homes every day, checking on their progress, counseling them, loving on them with gift baskets of clothing, food and hygienic products as well as sharing the gospel. Team 1 visited 12 client homes and Team 2 visited 13 client homes. Both teams supported home repairs, the Angel Club consisting of 54 children living with HIV who are 12 or younger; and the Wakanda Club, consisting of 20 teens living with HIV. They toured the HIV Clinic, Bugobero Health Center IV and attended staff meetings. They served as Counselors and Prayer Warriors for clients attending the HIV Clinic (held on Mondays and Fridays) and Nutrition Clinics (held on Wednesdays). The major highlight for the short term missionaries and the clients is always the Precious Souls Family Day celebration. The visitors were feted with music, dance, drama and poetry written, produced and

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Client Spotlight



Charles Walyawula has been a Precious Souls client for 11 years. He stood out as a passionate and active community mobilizer living positively with HIV. He was open about his condition and urged others to do the same. He encouraged members of the community to test themselves, her onto treatment as early as possible and stay on and adherent to their medication. He is the first to open the HIV Clinic on Mondays and Fridays and the last to leave. He is responsible for sweeping, mopping and cleaning the Clinic and ensuring order among the clients. You will always find him with a radiant smile, a humble heart, ready to serve and help wherever and whoever he can. He has been blessed with numerous food baskets, a goat, mattress, and blanket by the Precious Souls Ministry. He also wedded his wife in church last December with the support of Bay Area Community Church.

choreographed by the clients. The teams shared their testimonies of how they became Christians and why they chose to visit Butiru. However, the climax is always the distribution of the goats, mattresses, blankets and food baskets. The joy and smiles, punctuated by the ululations could be seen and heard for miles. BACC gifted the Precious Souls with 10 Goats, 54 mattresses, 54 blankets and 34 basins and 217 food baskets (Team 1) and 239 food baskets (Team 2) for the 338 Precious Souls clients currently being served! The Precious Souls Ministry continues to save lives, one child, one family, one community at a time.

Precious Souls Ministry Team

Alex Khaukha has a Bachelors degree with a concentration in Social Anthropology from Makerere University. He has been with the Precious Souls Ministry team of volunteers (currently 13 people) since 2012. The senior volunteers who have been with the ministry since inception include Patrick Wakhungu, (age 78), Ambrose Wesonga, (age 70) and Mary Goretti Kharuri, (age 60). The Precious Souls Ministry under Alex Khaukha's leadership is currently supported by Ronald Makai, Database Administrator and IT Support; Scovia Nabuloli, Administrator and Office Manager; Jackson Weteka, Housing Project Lead; John Wamatuba, Income Generation Project Lead; and Patrick Wakhungu, Spiritual Team Lead and Senior Catechist. They also serve as Tier 1 of Community Health Workers who also visit some client homes. Tier 2 of Community Mobilizers have a larger home visit load include Ambrose Wesonga, Mary Goretti Kharuri, George Mukwalafu, Charles Walyawula, Bira Kimono, Rosemary Namarome, Serina Nabalayo and Dorcus Akullo.

The Precious Souls Ministry is the faith based arm of GPHL working with churches in Maryland, DC and Virginia to support short term missions team as they seek to spread the gospel to the ends of the earth and be the "hands and feet" of Jesus Christ and "to love thy neighbor as thyself" (Matt 22:39) by showing up, loving on children, women, men and families living with and/or



affected by HIV/AIDS, remembering them by name and never forgetting them.