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# Peace School Constructs Its permanent Toilets



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hen we started, we repaired a pit latrine of the neighboring lady. Since then, we have been using that pit latrine. We experienced many inconveniences since the neighbor had tenants who were very slow and reluctant of cleaning the latrines after use. However, due to the limited resources we had then, we had to be patient and continue cleaning while we shared with many other people.

This whole story changed when we got funding from the Buddhist Global Relief. Part of the funding was to go for toilet construction. The construction of toilets was delayed. This is because, we had to secure a small portion of land besides the school where the toilets would be constructed. In January when Bhante Buddharakkhita had just returned from his teaching at Union Theological Seminary (USA), this small portion of land was acquired and the construction of the toilets started immediately. Now, Peace School children have proper toilets without any other competitors.

The School admitted more 12 pupils this year making a total of



## 24 learners.

The Peace School administration would like to take this chance to thank the Buddhist Global Relief. Mr. Kamal and the Sri Lankan community in Uganda, Mrs. Bashar and family together with the Nepalese community in Uganda, Ms. Moe Moe and the Burmese Buddhist community, the family of Mr. Krishnar Shamnandar and many people from overseas for their great support and contributions towards the running of the Peace School. As a school, we are truly indebted to all your support.



#### UBC CONSTRUCTS A COMPUTER LABORATORY, DINING ROOM AND GARAGE

he new building is comprising a dining room, a computer laboratory and a garage. Lately, rains have always been interrupting monks during their meals, and other guests that we have always had at the Temple. Somewhere to have meals has been always challenging. Those who have been at the temple, you can attest this fact.

As for the computer laboratory, it has come at a time of critical need. We received 12 computers from members of the Buddhist fellowship of Singapore. These computers are going to set up to offer computer training programmes to members of the community. While the rest of the world has advanced technologically and



access to information is at a snap of their finger, in this part of the world, people have no access to information except a few who can afford televisions. The training will also provide computer based employable skills including graphics designing, software programming, website design and development, MS office management, entrepreneurship development and so on. These trainings are also envisioned to set in motion wheel of an international African Buddhist college for mind and heart training and to produce leaders who will sustainably contribute to their respective communities.

After the building was complete however, it was identified that there were many spots leaking that led to the damage of ceiling boards. We had to re-roof the entire building. We just hope that the new roof will not leak so that we can start rolling with our computer training programme.



The newly constructed building with a garage., computer laboratory and dining room at its completion.

# Gratitude to All Our Supporters

UBC activities are made possible by many supporters from around the world. Therefore, we are eternally grateful for your kind and generous donations.

#### UBC still needs your support:

- To cater for medical expenses for monastics
- To support and maintain Buddhist activities
- To run the Peace School for 2020-2021
- To upkeep a two-year old orphan (\$ 100 per month)
- To contribute to building fund
- To purchase land adjacent to the Temple

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