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Feeding Children Today and Tomorrow



Many children in Africa still sleep hungry and suffer malnutrition despite the golden opportunities surrounding them. Our goal here is to provide holistic, Buddhist-centred care for orphaned and impoverished children by providing them nutritious food and enabling them create sustainable food solutions.



Village children served and enjoying their meals

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As part of our Hunger Relief Program, we provide food monthly to children from Bulega village as we slowly build sustainable solutions for food security for communities. On November 3rd, the Sri Lankan community led by Mr. Nilanga purchased and served food to 100 children, while on November 17th, Ms. Moe Moe served food and clothings at the temple, thus meeting the immediate needs of the hungry children.

As we move forward, we are soliciting for donations so that we can purchase large quantities of food. Our current focus is to provide food packs to especially orphaned children living along the landing sites in Bulega village. Furthermore, our long-term strategy is that each of these children will be able to produce the food they need so that they no longer rely on us. This is why much of our efforts goes into developing sustainable food solutions for communities.

We would like to thank those who have generously contributed to this program including Moe Moe and her friends, Nilanga, Kamal, the Sri Lankan community in Uganda, and many.

We appeal to everyone to take part in our efforts to eliminate hunger, poverty and the quality of life for children in the different communities.

Please contact us at Ugandabuddhist-centre@gmail.com to see how you can use your resources to be part of this growing effort.



Peace School Celebrates Its First Year Milestone

The Peace School, the first of its kind in Uganda is so proud to have celebrated its first successful year of operation. The School gained a unique experience throughout the entire year.

The School organized an event on Thursday November 28 2019 to celebrate its milestone with the surrounding communities and Golden Hearts Kindergarten School from Kasenyi, Entebbe.

Over 120 people attended Peace School's first year anniversary, which saw parents and other attendees witness pupils' presentations and excellence.

The school has seen wonderful achievements that include;

- Focus on holistic learning
- Development of a genuine sense of community
- Children have made great strides across all areas of the curriculum
- Built fence around the school for the safety of children and teachers
- Successful organization of Environment Day
- Awarded a one-year grant by Buddhist Global Relief, USA

The event featured speeches from various people in the community including the representative of the local leadership, who thanked the Peace School management for building a strong pillar of education in Bulega village and implored the community to continue working together.

The Peace School opened in February 2019 to serve the growing educational needs of the surrounding communities with a focus on vulnerable children in Bulega. It offers a unique blend of curriculum combining the National Curriculum with Buddhist education, African values and African philosophy of Ubuntu.

The School will admit another batch of 12 children in Baby class next year 2020, while the current 12 pupils have been promoted to Middle Class.

We would like to call upon for your support in the next year 2020. You can donate scholastic items, uniform, shoes, school bags or cash.

If you like to donate towards our school, please follow this link.
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Bhante Attends MITRA Conference as Keynote Speaker in Australia

Bhante Buddharakkhita was invited to deliver a keynote speech at the Mitra Conference Buddhist Youth Network in Sydney, Australia. The conference was attended by Buddhist leaders from the three Buddhist traditions (Theravada, Mahayana and Vajrayana). The conference was held at The Underground on Level 3 of Building 1 - University of Technology, Sydney (UTS) Tower from November 30 – December 1, 2019.

Drawing from the Pāli canon, commentaries and other Buddhist literary works, Bhante's talk explored the Buddhist solutions to the causes of disharmony in the current world. He categorizes disharmony into political, socio-economic, and religious disharmonies.

Also, Bhante made a stopover in Melbourne at the Buddhist Society of Victoria (BSV), where he met some of his old friends.



Bhante was also invited to give a Dhamma talk at Metta Centre



Bhante Buddharakkhita delivering his Keynote speech at the Mitra Conference



Bhante and some of the participants of the Mitra Conference

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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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