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Warm greetings and Gratitude from the Uganda Buddhist Centre!

On behalf of the Uganda Buddhist Centre (UBC), I am eternally grateful for your kind donations and support to the UBC. Owing to your kind and generous donations, we continue to carry out our Buddhist activities in Uganda and Africa.

Since its inception in 2005, the UBC is committed to the spreading of the Dhamma in Uganda, Africa. Currently, the UBC is progressively growing and developing. Some Ugandans who learn the Dhamma continue to appreciate its benefits in their daily lives. With the completion of the Sangha Building and the Buddha Building, we are training many novice monks to ensure the sustainability of the Dhamma in Uganda and Africa. Certainly, we planted the Dhamma seed on the continent of Africa.

Apart from spreading the Dhamma, the UBC adopted a comprehensive program to reduce or eliminate poverty, illiteracy and suffering among our communities through various projects such as Peace School and Buddhist Primary School (both still housed in a temporary facility), Boreholes, Women Empowerment Project, Compassion Care Center (aka Compassion Orphanage) and Farming project. I am so grateful to our Dhamma friends and supporters from Singapore, Buddhist Fellowship of Singapore and Dhamma friends from other countries, the Houg Dao Lovingkindness Foundation, Insight World Aid, Teo Tan Foundation, Buddhist Global Relief and other Dhamma friends and organisations for your continued support and donation.

This year, plans are under to construct a permanent Buddhist Primary School . Thereafter, we plan to expand the school and build a Buddhist Senior Secondary School along with a Buddha Medical Clinic. Accordingly, we are looking at the possibilities of acquiring more land and houses closer to the Uganda Buddhist Centre.

For updates about our Dhamma activities, I would like to invite you to [subscribe to our monthly newsletter \(click\)](#), so that you may learn more about how your support is positively impacting communities in Uganda and Africa.

Once again, we are eternally grateful for your donation , support and partnership.
May you be well, happy and peaceful!

With deepest gratitude,

B. Buddhasevaka



Our Buddhist Primary School opened its doors for the very first time!

After two years of closure finally schools were opening up again in mid January in Uganda. So, we were more than happy to open up the doors of our Buddhist Primary school as well as the Peace School for the very first time! Thanks to you our generous supporters we are able to run three classes at the moment from Primary One to Primary Three (P1 - P3). We are currently hosting 36 pupils from 5- years old. We are convinced that the educational success is greatly influenced by the children / teacher ratio which is why our three dedicated teachers face maximum 12 students per class.





Buddhist Primary School in a temporary facility

We are grateful to have found a temporary solution to host classes before construction work of our Buddhist Primary School is finished. While first steps have been taken to get the designated area ready for constructing the new complex, we're soon awaiting the final go from the local authorities. The new buildings will have space for 84 children attending classes from Primary 1 - 7.

The temporary school site still needs some adjustments to provide the kids with sufficient sanitary facilities.



The new school building complex will be just next to the currently used buildings. Bricks have already been prepared, construction can start soon.



Installation of the Archbishop of Kampala

On January 25, 2022 the installation of the new archbishop of Kampala (capital of Uganda) was taking place. Bishop Ssemogerere was assigned by Pope Francis, replacing Dr. Cyprian Kizito Lwanga who passed away in April 2021. Alongside his father, a papal knight, Bhante Buddharakkhita congratulated the appointed Archbishop Ssemogerere at this memorable ceremony of the Roman Catholic Church.



Personal note from Bhante Buddharakkhita on Thich Nhat Thanh's passing

I met Thich Nhat Hanh in Washington DC in early 2000 and again in Vietnam in 2008 during the UN Vesak Day celebrations. I was inspired by his mindful presence.

The world has lost such a wonderful Buddhist leader and one of the best role models of "Engaged Buddhism."

Personally, I have been inspired by his interpretation of the Buddha's teachings.

There is one quote that reminds of the reality of life:

"This body is not me; I am not caught in this body, I am life without boundaries, I have never been born and I have never died. Over there the wide ocean and the sky with many galaxies All manifests from the basis of consciousness."

May The late Ven. Thich Nhat Hanh attain Nibbana!



Gratitude to All Our Supporters

UBC activities are made possible by many supporters from around the world. Therefore, we are eternally grateful Buddhist Global Relief of USA, Huang Tu Lovingkindness Foundation USA, Buddhist Fellowship of Singapore, Tan Teo Charitable Foundation, and all our beloved donors from around the world.

UBC still needs your support:

- To maintain resident teachers/monastics
- To maintain the Temple
- To build monks accommodation facilities
- Construction and Operation of Buddhist Primary School
- Compassion Care Centre (Housing and Feeding Orphans)

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May all beings be well. May all beings be happy. May all beings be peaceful.