



DIVINE CARE MINISTRIES

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S END OF YEAR REPORT 2022

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Slogan: *Together we make a difference.*

2023: Theme: *“Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and said: “Who am I, Sovereign LORD, and what is my family that you have brought me this far?” (2Samuel 7:18)*

Vision: *To identify with the hurting especially the orphaned, vulnerable children, the sick and widows giving them hope.*

Mission: *To make disciples of communities by facilitating the improvement and the wellbeing of the hurting, Orphans, suffering, vulnerable children, and people. Equipping them to become productive and sufficient through evangelism, education, health care, life skills training and shelter’*

Values: *Love, Godliness, Excellence, Integrity, Relationships.*

Executive summary

Praise God!!!!

Happy new year 2023

Philippians 1:3, “ I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now,”

Our beloved partners and friends, your partnership with Divine Care Ministries and your obedience to God has always been our anchor, your sharing has touched many vulnerable children, their families, and their communities with sustainability in such hard economic times. Your prosperity and wellness have always been our wellness. All our Prayers are to you and your families always.

We are so grateful to God and appreciate our friends and partners that have contributed towards the 2022 exciting achievements. By the power of Jesus’ love, there has been incredible transformation towards individuals, families, and communities throughout our nation.

2,239 children were supported in school at various levels, **11 students** graduated university and colleges making them ready to become leaders in our nation. **45 children** got sponsors ;**29 new partners** / sponsors came on board.

Throughout the year, we carried out **7** major evangelistic missions that yielded a total number of **7,174 lives** to Christ out of the **16,123** people who were reached with the Gospel.

The ministry completed the year 2022 with **119 staff** and out of these members we celebrated **7 church weddings** to the glory of God.

As we reflect on these successes, we are reminded once again that we could never have done this alone. It has only been achieved with the meaningful partnership of our friends from all over the world. That’s why we’re excited to be able to present you with these highlights from the villages and centers that we operate where thousands of lives have been transformed, all for the glory of God.

As you read, we pray that you will be inspired and encouraged as you see for yourselves the transformation taking place in Uganda. Together, we make a difference.

Sponsorship

New sponsors

We give glory to God for all the **29** new Sponsors that were acquired in 2022 and thank the Staff in USA who work hard to make it possible for the children and the ministry at large to acquire sponsors. **47** Children have been able to get new sponsors in 2022 and this is directly a ray of hope to children themselves and their families since they are assured of love, care, and support from the new family of friends.

Graduates

We are so grateful to God that **eleven** (11) of our supported children have graduated as professionals. This gives us joy since these children later give back to their communities depicting our values as DCM.

The pictures below show some of the pictures for our children that have graduated this year.





**2022
DCM
Graduates**



Education

This department consists of the Early Childhood Development Center (ECDCs), the DCM Primary Schools, the Partner Primary Schools, Secondary Schools, Vocational colleges, and Universities.

Early Childhood Development Centers (DCM Love centers) in Karamoja.

DCM Love Centers like Duol and Molulem relocated to another district in Karamoja called Nabilatuku due to the insecurity, and changed the names from Duol to Locimit ECDC, and Molulem to Napawo ECDC. **938 children** in total were supported in our Love centers in the year 2022.

The table below shows the number of pupils at different Love centers in 2022

Early Childhood Development Centers (love centers)	No. Of pupils
Social work coordinator	
Molulem (NAPAWO)	188
Duol (LOCIMIT)	150
Kalocherere	289
Lomorimori	311
Total	938

Divine Grace Primary School

Divine Grace Primary ended the year with a total of 454 pupils

Name of School	No. of boys	No. of girls	Total
Divine Grace	208	246	454

construction

We give glory to God for the good work that started at Divine Grace especially the dismantling of the dilapidated primary block and office structure at this center and the commencement of good work for 2023 new magnificent blocks.

We appreciate all our partners and friends that always support such projects through Prayer and Finances.



Primary and Office Block architectural drawing.

Construction in Progress.

Divine Hope

We had a total enrollment of **423 children** in the final quarter 2022.

Name of School	No. of boys	No. of girls	Total
Divine Hope	183	240	423

Knitting and Tailoring class at Divine Hope

A total number of **6 girls** from the community graduated the knitting and tailoring class where they attained crocheting and nesting skills under the DCM instructor. These children were girls rescued from the communities for skilling having dropped from school due to reasons such as early pregnancy.



DCM Knitting and Tailoring Class graduands

Divine Hope Staff Quarter's

In the first quarter 2022, the school was blessed with the teacher's staff quarters and this helped to subsidize on the monthly spending on teacher's rent and has addressed the issue of time management since the teachers now living close to the school.



The new staff quarters at Divine Hope

Divine Hope pupils' Canteen

A beautiful canteen structure was built at Divine hope to ease the pupil's and staff access to certain commodities such as scholastic materials and quick snacks for children within the school premises.



New school canteen

Divine Hope pupils' dormitory construction

We bless the name of the lord for the provision and immense support and generosity from our partners in the United States of America for having enabled us start on the big project of **buying the land** and starting the **dormitory construction** at **Divine Hope**. Words alone cannot express our gratitude but May the Lord God Almighty Bless each one that has taken part in bringing this one-time dream to reality. We believe God that 2023 we shall be able to invite our partners and friends to commission the official transition of Divine Hope Nursery and Primary Day School to a **fully-fledged Boarding School**.



Divine Hope pupils' dormitories construction in progress

Partnerships

Creative Learning Center – CRANE Uganda:

At Divine Hope Primary School, we have a Partnership with **CRANE Uganda** to help reintegrate girl-children that have dropped out of school into the mainstream. Under this Partnership **CRANE** pays **3** teachers and **1** mentor to help identify these vulnerable girls in the communities and help reintegrate them into school.

- For the last nine years with **Crane**, we have touched **568 girls** who were school dropouts, **382** of these have been able to join the mainstream education.
- Many have given their lives to Jesus and **82** have been skilled in vocational colleges.
- This year **6** girls graduated in the knitting and tailoring class at Divine Grace Center, **21** were in the creative Learning Center for catch up class and 7 have been integrated into the mainstream. Glory to God that has enabled us to achieve this with our partners.

General supported children

The table presents a summary of all supported children

Institution	Number of Children
Early Childhood Development Center – Karamoja	938
Divine Grace Primary School	454
Divine Hope Primary School	423
Other Primary Schools	160
Secondary Schools	194
Tertiary Institutions	61
Universities	09
TOTAL	2,239

Divine Care Ministries is supporting **2,239 children** at different levels in ECDC, primary, secondary and institutions of higher learning and the increase came up because of the more stability of the children in the ECDC (love centers) compared to all other quarters.

Missions and Churches

There were several activities carried out through the year 2022 as far as Evangelism and Discipleship is concerned in Karamoja.

DCM held an Annual Karamoja mission from 16th to 28th august 2022 in the 63 villages in Karamoja preaching the Gospel of reconciliation, love, forgiveness, peace, Holiness, and righteousness. This opened the hearts of the Karamojong in surrender and multitudes gave their lives to God.

More other missions were in the areas of Kalyamenvu, Rushere and Kotido (North Karamoja)

The table below shows the areas visited, people reached out to, church plants and the number of people that accepted Christ 2022

no	District /Areas	Number of villages covered	People reached	People that received Jesus Christ	Church plants
1.	Rushere (23 rd -27 th May 2022)	5	1,400	700	
2.	Kalyamenvu (26 th -29 th April)	2	500	150	
3.	Nakapiripiriti (16 th to 28 th august 2022)	17	3,000	1,244	2
4.	Napak (16 th to 28 th august 2022)	14	1,800	950	2
5.	Nabilatuk (16 th to 28 th august 2022)	12	2,428	1,000	
6.	Namalu (16 th to 28 th august 2022)	09	1,200	400	2
7.	Moroto (16 th to 28 th august 2022)	11	2,470	1,000	3
8.	Kotido (15 th -23 rd November)	8	3,330	1,730	
	TOTAL	78	16,123	7,174	9

We give glory to God for the big harvest and appreciate our friends, partners that mobilized items and resources for these missions.

Karamoja Discipleship trainings

In the First quarter in 2022, a team of four Pastors from DCM led by Pastor Peter Sozi visited Karamoja and carried out a leadership training and discipleship to the new church plant leaders in Karamoja. 40 Karamoja Church plant leaders attended and participated in this training.

We give Glory and honor to God for the evident growth in the people in Karamoja with zeal and commitment to serve the Lord in their community.



One of the Karamoja Church plant Leader's discipleship trainings in Karamoja

Youth and children's ministry

The ministry has been able to reach out to the youth on a weekly basis on Saturday and Sunday for Bible study, counseling, testimony sharing, and this has assisted many of the youth to come up and develop their leadership skills as well as the self-esteem. In the quarter **130** Children and Youth actively participated in the above-mentioned activities under the supervision and guidance of Youth and Children's workers.

The children were blessed to have a Christmas party at Divine Church and many activities took place such as Bible quiz, indoor and outdoor games, Music, and singing. **103** of them walked home with Christmas gifts such as wrist watches, sunglasses, balls, and candy among others. Great thanks to all our friends that make this happen.



Divine children's church receives Christmas gifts

Projects

As stated in our mission, projects in DCM are used as a tool to reach out to different groups of people in the communities with the word of God as they get involved in different hands-on activities.

Savings and credit schemes:

This club started to help women and people from the community who did not think they had the ability to save their own little money and have access to affordable credit. Later through the savings skills training through the DCM staff, they have been able to save and borrow money at affordable credit to develop their families and keep their children in school.

There has been an increased enrollment of Two hundred and fifty members (250) in the saving and credit scheme in 2022. The membership majorly comprises of women, a few men, children, and staff members. The members have consistently deposited their savings once a week on Tuesdays.

Increased membership has led to increased amounts in savings. For the last quarter of 2022, cash realized in savings has been **210,000,000** (two hundred ten million) shillings.

A lot of effort has been realized from the members to save on a weekly basis. We thank God for His help in training the community people and the saving culture is deepening in them.

We believe this saving culture is going to cause a lot of financial transformation in the lives of the community members.

Tailoring project

The tailoring Project is intended to train women in tailoring, sewing and tapestry making. **20** women are actively involved in the project and are perfecting their skill with the help of the trainer to be able to produce items such as Bedspreads, hats, scuffs, stroll mats, re-usable sanitary pads, handbags / purses.



DCM Community Women empowerment knitting, craft, and tailoring lessons



DCM Community Women displaying their finished item for sell

Divine staff Saving & Credit Scheme:

This scheme has realized growth in membership to **69** members in 2022. There is also a general improvement in savings from members. Increment in membership has also led to increment in savings. **66,057,000** was the total saving for the year 2022.

Divine Staff Investment Fund:

This Fund has continued to make a difference in the lives of most staff members. Staff members have continued to borrow from the Fund and do projects and are able to pay back in time. **24,950,000** (twenty-four million, nine hundred fifty thousand shillings) was borrowed.

We greatly appreciate our partners and sponsors that contributed towards this cause, and this has impacted staff members to carry out family sustainability projects and many testimonies are currently evident through several beneficiaries and the vivid strong standing individual income generating projects.

Farms

A good work has been done on the farm gardens and plantations both on food crops and cash crops.

Divine Farm

This year we harvested matooke (bananas), maize corn, beans, cassava, sweet potatoes, avocados, jackfruits, green vegetables etc.

The cows are still supplying us with milk for the children whenever they return from school and the staff members daily.

All the harvested food helps us to feed people living at the farm including children, staff and vulnerable community members and others such as casual laborers.

Divine Grace

Different kinds of food stuffs were harvested in our farm, and these include matooke (bananas), maize corn and cassava.

With the blessing of chicken, goats, pigs and cattle at our farm, children have been able to learn about live stalk and benefit on the products from these animals at the school farm for example eggs and milk.

We give God the Glory for the good harvests.

Administration

This department is responsible for the supervision and running of all other departments' welfare and operation.

staffing

Divine Care Ministries currently employs **119** people both females and males as summarized in the categories below.

Head office

Summary table showing different categories of staff at Head Office:

Category	Males	Females	Total
HEAD OFFICE STAFF	9	12	21

There are 21(**twenty-one**) staff members employed at the head office.

Divine Farm

Summary table showing different categories of staff at Divine Farm:

Category	Males	Females	Total
DIVINE FARM	6	1	7

*There are 7(**seven**) staff members employed at the Divine farm however, there are other casual laborers (compound cleaner, the gardeners) employed on contract periodically*

Divine Hope

Summary table showing different categories of staff at Divine Hope:

Category	Males	Females	Total
Teaching staff	14	7	21
Creative Learning Center staff from our partnering organization (Crane)	1	3	4
Social worker and Bursar	1	1	2

Support Staff (cooks, security officer)	3	1	4
Pastors	1		1
Grand Total	20	12	32

There are **32(thirty-two)** staff members employed at Divine Hope as categorized in the table above.

Divine Grace

Summary table showing different categories of staff at Divine Grace:

Category	Males	Females	Total
Pastor	1		1
Bursar	1		1
Teaching staff	13	10	23
Social worker	1		1
Divine clinic staff (Doctor, Dentist, Nurse) and Clinic 's Cleaner	2	2	4
Support Staff (Matrons, Cooks, Security Officers, Animal Caretaker, Agriculturalist and Gardener)	8	3	11
Volunteers (missions and sports)		2	2
Grand Total	26	17	43

There are **43(forty-three)** staff members employed at Divine Grace as categorized in the table above.

Divine love Centers (ECDCs) Karamoja

Summary table showing different categories of staff in Divine love Centers (ECDCs) Karamoja

Category	Males	Females	Total
Social work coordinators	2		2
Care givers/ teachers	10	4	14
Grand Total	12	4	16

There are **16(Sixteen)** staff members employed in Divine love Centers (ECDCs) Karamoja as categorized in the table above.

Grand total of staff members employed by DCM

The table below shows the grand total of staff members employed by DCM as of third quarter 2022

Category	Total
Men	61
Women	58
Grand total	119

The staff members number has drastically increased because of more members that have joined DCM as missionaries and these directly fall under the Church and mission's department.

Our answered Prayer

Hydro Electric Power Connection

We would like in a special way to appreciate our unfailing God for the tremendous achievements in this year as of the third quarter. We had spent a long time praying for Hydro-electric power at our centers like **Divine Farm, Head Office, and Divine Grace**. We are so glad to note that in the third quarter of this year we were connected to Hydro Electric power, and this has subsidized the spending on fuel and other services that needed electricity for example in printing and all other secretarial work making it easy to run our day today activities at our centers. Praise the Lord!

Celebrations

We thank God and celebrate our success for weddings of our staff and church members this year for the following members.

1. Tr.Dan Kibirango(Teacher Divine Hope)
2. Muwanguzi & Nakato. (Divine Church Missionaries)
3. Castrol Mayanja (Divine Church missionary)
4. Stephen & Moreen (Staff Head office and Teacher Divine Grace)
5. Tr.Kalema Samuel & Tr. Grace Kabatesi.(Teachers Divine Grace)
6. Kakuru Mark (Staff Head office)
7. Allan and Douthah. (Staff Head office and Nurse Divine Clinic)

Our appreciation goes to our Sponsors/partners who have contributed financial resources towards the achievement of our goals for the period of Jan to December 2022.I pray that the Lord will continue to supply resources towards Divine Care Ministries to achieve her vision.

Prayer points

- We request you to join us in Prayer for peace all over the world and good global health.
- We also pray that the Lord shall enable us to have the ongoing projects accomplished in Jesus' name.
- Our other Prayer is to find the partners that shall willingly support our missionaries in the new regular discipleship programs that shall run in Karamoja throughout the years.
- We also request you to join us in Praying for our Grade 7, Grade 11 and Grade 13 students that did their National Examinations so that the Lord will enable them to excel.

CONCLUSION

We are thankful to God despite all other struggles. We are grateful to all partners who work hard and tirelessly to see to it that Divine care Ministries glorifies God and impacts the kingdom. We are so thankful to those who visit and encourage all of us.

We praise God for all the hope, love and transformation extended to the families and communities.

God bless you all Board Members, partners, staff members, children, and community members. We thank you Dr. Rick, Mama Vikki, Kent & Cathy, Joanna, and Trent for all the office management.

In God we trust and together we make a difference.

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