

# **AFINNET TO-DAY 2012**

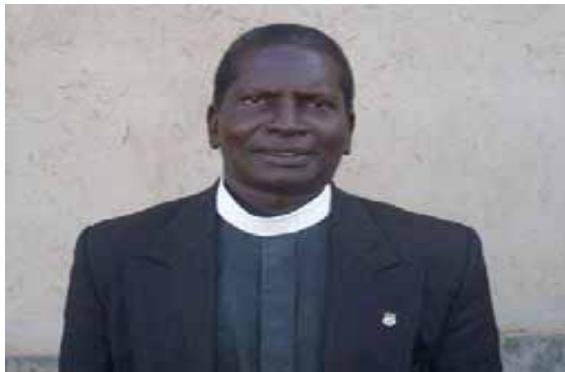
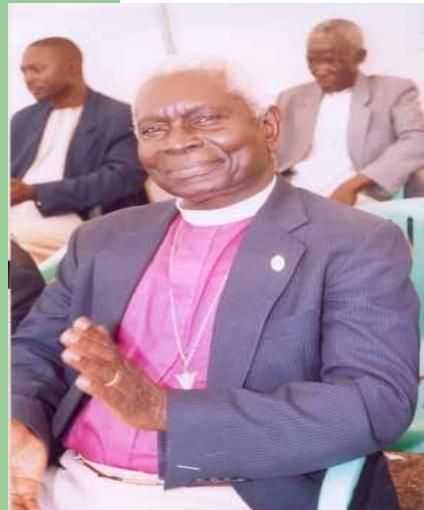


- AFINNET VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE**

- Located at Namukozi Mityana near St. Andrew's Cathedral
- Campus lay-out with two main buildings.
- Grateful for all the other forms of assistance which enabled Afinnet to start and to continue to where we are to-day.



# **BISHOP GEORGE AND HIS WIFE EDITH : AFINNET FOUNDERS AND REV. CAN. MICHAEL- RESIDENT DIRECTOR**



- The Afinnet vision was conceived by Bishop George Sinabulya and his wife Edith and today work at Afinnet is being overseen by Rev. Canon Michael Lubowa – The Resident Director in fulfillment of that vision.

# AFINNET BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A team of Eight Directors with Bishop George as their Chair, are the top management body of AFINNET.
- Their selfless contribution to the activities of AFINNET is responsible for what AFINNET has been able to achieve today.
- Day to-day management of the centre is done by the Principal with the support of the Resident Director.
- The Directors are:

The Rt. Rev. Dr. George Sinnabulya (CEO & President), Mrs. Edith Sinnabulya, Mr. Peter Kalyango (Vice Chair), Mrs. Catherine Kibuuka (Secretary), Mr. James Nsimbi (Treasurer), Mr. Onesmus Mulondo, (Member), Rev. Canon Michael Lubowa, (Resident Director) and Ezra Mwanje (RIP)

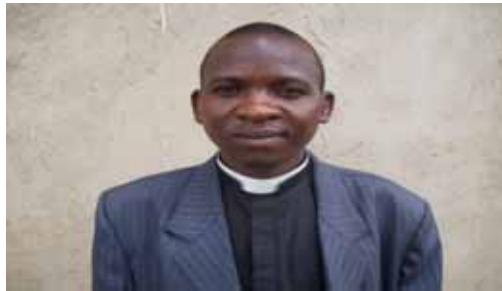
# AFINNET STAFF: TEACHING STAFF



Albert Kibowa – Ag. Principal  
and Carpentry Instructor



Sarah Nantumbwe – Home  
Economics Instructor



Rev. Deacon Emmanuel Lukabwe  
Computer Instructor



Stella Nakakande – Tailoring  
Instructor

# AFINNET STAFF: TEACHING STAFF - CONT,



Resty Gwokyalya – Tailoring Instructor (Designer)

- Staff constitute the implementing Team of Afinnet.
- The Teaching staff consists of : The Principal, who doubles as a Carpentry Instructor, two instructors for Tailoring, One instructor for Home economics, and one Instructor for Computer training.
- There is increased need for staff training and staff exposure .
- There is also need for staff expansion if funds were to allow. Currently some of the roles are being combined.
- Wage bill for staff continues to be a very heavy burden Afinnet is grappling with. A yearly wage bill is of about US\$6000.

# AFINNET STAFF: NON-TEACHING STAFF



Catherine Kibuuka –  
Book keeper



Nakaweesa Dorothy -  
Matron

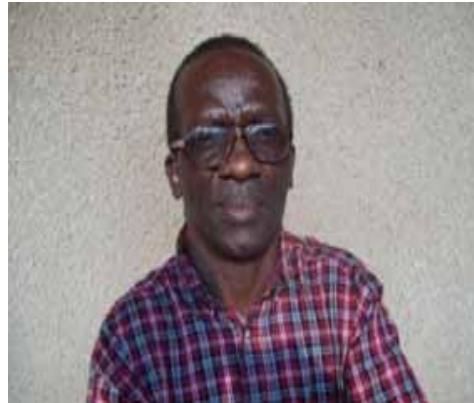


Joel Mutyaba- Night  
Watchman



Rebecca Mukankhusi-  
Cook

# **NON- TEACHING STAFF CONT.**



John Bulega – Volunteer  
Afinnet Technical  
Advisor

# THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING DEPARTMENTS: TAILORING



- The Department of Tailoring is run by two Instructors: Resty and Stella.
- Main issue in the Department is one of overcrowding. There are 73 students (72 Females, 1 male) who have been divided into two separate classes.
- Ratio of Students to sewing machines is 3:1 which reduces the number of hours each student can do practical work.
- On completion of the training, each Student receives a sewing machine which he/she partly contributes to. This puts more pressure on sewing machines as a requirement.
- Need more sewing machines at 320,000/= (130US \$) each.

# TAILORING DEPARTMENT (CONT.)



- Attempt is being made in three ways to make the department generate income towards AFINNET's self-sustenance:
- Getting contracts to produce uniforms for neighbouring schools
- Producing model items for sale
- Taking special orders of jobs to eg. Make curtains, table cloths, etc.
- Would greatly benefit from additional seed capital of about 400 USD to purchase the required materials to expand production and be able to raise income.

## OTHER NEEDS FOR AFINNET TAILORING DEPARTMENT.



- Other training materials which would be of great help in students' practical work do include the following: rolls of papers, rolls of cloth, needles, threads, Pairs of scissors, buttons and zips. The total cost needed is worth US\$1500

# HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT



- The HE Department is run by Sarah as the Instructor
- Current class has 13 students: 11 females and 2 males.
- Students are trained in preparation of local and foreign dishes.
- In the Picture, Sarah in a red dress at the head of the table, is carrying out a demonstration session.

# HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT (CONT.)



- Attempt is being made in three ways to make the department generate income towards AFINNET's self-sustenance:
- Outside catering at public functions
- Preparation of snacks for sale
- Planning to use a recreation centre to be located at AFINNET premises as an outlet for some of their cookeries
- The department plans to start an arrangement where some of the good students are retained a little longer for income generation purposes and to ease some of the pressure on staff.

# HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT (CONT.)



- While the department has been able to acquire some serving equipment on which the students are trained, some of the cooking facilities are still rudimentary.
- The department has need of such items like: an Oven, an Electric Cooker and a Refrigerator.

# CARPENTRY DEPARTMENT



- The Carpentry Department is run by Albert as the Instructor.
- There are four students, all male.
- Students are trained on Carpentry, simple construction and Joinery.
- So far the wiring for 3 phase has been done but the three phase power line has not yet been installed owing to the large sum of money involved.
- The department intends to, in future use large electric machines for the students to train on, simplify work and improve the quality of the products for income generation. Hence the need for a three phase power-line.

# CARPENTRY DEPARTMENT (CONT.)



- The Carpentry Department has a great potential for income generation. Some of the ways include: making model Carpentry items and producing them on order, trading in half-treated timber, making simple repairs in the work-shop.
- Some of the produced items are displayed in a room adjacent to the carpentry room . It is planned to use this room for heavy machinery.

## CARPENTRY DEPARTMENT CONT.



- A Timber drying shade for treating and drying timber has been constructed in Local materials right next to the Carpentry Rooms.
- This has been done for purposes of Training the students in skills of treating and drying timber and also for purposes of cutting down on costs as well as promoting an income generating activity of trading in timber.
- This component needs US \$3000 as seed money for initial bulk purchase of timber for trading and for providing materials for carpentry production.

# AFINNET CARPENTRY TOOLS



- Shelves have been constructed in the carpentry work-shop for keeping an assortment of carpentry tools used by the students on training.
- On graduation, each completing student is given a tool box to go out with.
- There is therefore a need for tools for both purposes: Daily Training of the students and local income Generation for Afinnet as well as for Equipping the students when they graduate.
- A tool box given to each graduating student costs US \$65 .

# COMPUTER DEPARTMENT



- The Computer Department is a recent introduction.
- Rev. Deacon Emmanuel Lukabwe is the instructor and he has only recently joined the Afinnet team.
- Afinnet plans to run various programmes including providing computer training to all the students and also for interested outsiders who may be interested in running weekend or evening computer classes.
- The Income generation aspect for computers is yet to be explored but there seems to be a very rich unexploited potential.

# COMPUTER DEPARTMENT (CONT.)



- The Desktop Computers in the computer room are not yet connected to a single server owing to absence of a computer control unit. (as can be seen in the picture). This causes considerable delays as instructor has to assist each student separately. Also, the computers have not yet been connected to the internet.
- The Department also suffers from regular black-outs when power goes off and would be greatly assisted if they got a generator.
- The needs in the computer room include: More computer desk-tops, one projector to enable the instructor teach the same programme to a group of students at ago at US\$625, an inverter unit (US \$ 2,500) a printer (US \$ 290) and a server unit (US \$ 330).

# GRADUATION AT AFINNET: 2011 Graduation Ceremony



- Graduation day has always been a joyous moment at Afinnet.
- It is an occasion during which Parents, supporters and well-wishers come together to see the Good work the Vocational training centre is doing.
- It is also an occasion to celebrate the achievements and advertise Afinnet.

## 2011 GRADUATION CEREMONY: SAMPLE PICTURES OF STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS



- It is during graduation that the students being passed out are handed the equipment to go out with. It is a way of equipping them.
- Afinnet has made this a partly self contributory scheme where the students pay a part of the cost.
- For this year's (2012) graduation alone, Afinnet needs 73 sewing machines, 4 Carpentry Tool Boxes, and 13 Home Economics Kits for the current students.
- Next Graduation ceremony will be on Tue. 15<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2013.

# OTHER ACTIVITIES AT AFINNET CONSTRUCTION OF A BOYS' HOSTEL:



- Given that Afinnet is serving more than five districts, accommodation for the male students who come from places far from Mityana has been a problem.
- Despite the shortage of funds, Afinnet was compelled to start work on constructing a boys hostel to address this pressing need.
- Using meagre resources from Bishop George's own savings and sale of Mrs. Edith Sinabulya's land, Construction work started with the Foundation and progressed to window level.

## **CONSTRUCTION WORK OF A BOYS' HOSTEL: CONT.**



Construction work has reached a critical stage of roofing but has now stalled as more funding is sought from friends and well-wishers.

Remaining work includes Roofing, flooring, fixing shutters and other finishing touches like construction of a veranda and painting. It is estimated that these activities will cost about 15,000 US \$



# AFINNET KITCHEN



- The Kitchen remains one of the biggest challenges on the Afinnet Compound. The thinking was to start with the construction of more priority areas before a decent kitchen could be constructed.
- There is however a risk that is being taken in case the simple roof structure was to be blown off by the wind.
- It is planned to start construction of a new Kitchen as soon as resources become available. Estimated cost is US\$3500

# AFINNET ELECTRICITY AND WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM



- Afinnet budget is greatly constrained by the cost of two major utilities: Water and Electricity.
- The cost of water is higher than it should have been because Mityana Town council who supply it have only recently built the system. AFINNET'S Annual consumption is of about US \$ 800
- The cost of Electricity too is quite high and it is indeed a national issue. AFINNET'S Annual consumption is of about US \$ 1200

# AFINNET GIRLS' HOSTEL



- In the picture is the Girls' Hostel Building as it appears to-day.
- We plan to in future level the compound and use the fore ground in the picture for recreation activities.

# INSIDE AFINNET GIRLS' HOSTEL



- Picture shows the inside of the Girls' hostel (inside one of the Girls' rooms).
- Malaria bouts remain a challenge as most of the girls have not been having mosquito nets ( US \$10 @) inspite of our insistence for the girls to come with them.
- Redundancy and inactiveness is another problem which the girls suffer from during some of their leisure times. Recreation activities like indoor or out-door games, sports equipment or a television set could all help to break that monotony (US \$ 1,000)

**AFINNET BANANA PLANTATION WHICH HELPS GIRLS TO EXERCISE THEIR AGRICULTURAL ABILITIES. THEY GET SOME FOOD STUFF THEY USE IN HOME ECONOMICS CLASS FOR PRACTICALS.**



# ACQUISITION OF LAND LEASE FOR AFINNET



- Afinnet Vocational Training Centre is located on Church Land. To strengthen security of ownership, a Land lease with a Title needs to be acquired.
- Bishop George and Bishop Stephen Kaziimba - The presiding Bishop of Mityana Diocese (in picture) are currently in the process of concluding a 99-year Land lease deal for Afinnet.