BACKGROUND

Agapewo Ministry Uganda is a community based non-government charity ministry that was founded in 2004 in the district of Jinja in eastern Uganda by a group of concerned citizens with a strong desire to; empower communities, strengthen capacity of members in support of their development investments, provision of entrepreneurship skills, promote literacy programs, improving Health Care, disease control, poverty reduction and to advocate for Gender equality. In 2006, a program of fighting HIV/AIDS and its after effects was developed by the members of Agapewo Ministry Uganda to add on the initiatives of the government and other organizations/ministries in the fight against the killer disease. Agapewo Ministry Uganda since its inception has exerted its efforts on the fight against HIV/AIDS using a behavioral change process amidst meager resources and a lot of success has been achieved although not as expected due to limited resources. Agapewo ministry Uganda intends to contribute to enabling these vulnerable groups to safeguard their own health and the natural resources on which the livelihoods of their communities depend using a behavioral change process.

INTRODUCTION

VISION: A society that is wealthy, healthy and successful.

MISSION: To enhance community's initiatives on development and prevention of HIV/AIDS and the organization exists to undertake actions for community sustainable development, promoting information about child rights, child abuse and neglect through mobilization and sensitization, policy advocacy and capacity building, education and health support. Working with members and communities for a sustained impact

GOAL: To serve as a center for information sharing, empowering of children, youths and women in participation in developmental programs and against HIV/AIDS.

PROGRAMS: Education and Training, Housing and Construction, Agriculture and Production, Health and Livelihoods, HIV/AIDS Prevention, Support and Care, Human Rights Advocacy PROJECTS

Education support and skills development

Training and capacity building

Construction of decent (simple) houses for the orphans, widows and the elderly

Provision of safe and clean water sources in rural communities

Agriculture both crop growing and domestic animal rearing

Microcredit support to women and youths groups

Provision of basic support to HIV+ clients, the elderly and the needy

Protection and conservation of biodiversity and Eco-systems

Promotion of Primary Health Care amongst our members and the communities served by the ministry

Advocating for the rights women, children and people with physical disability

Enhancing Voluntary Counseling and Testing, care and support services