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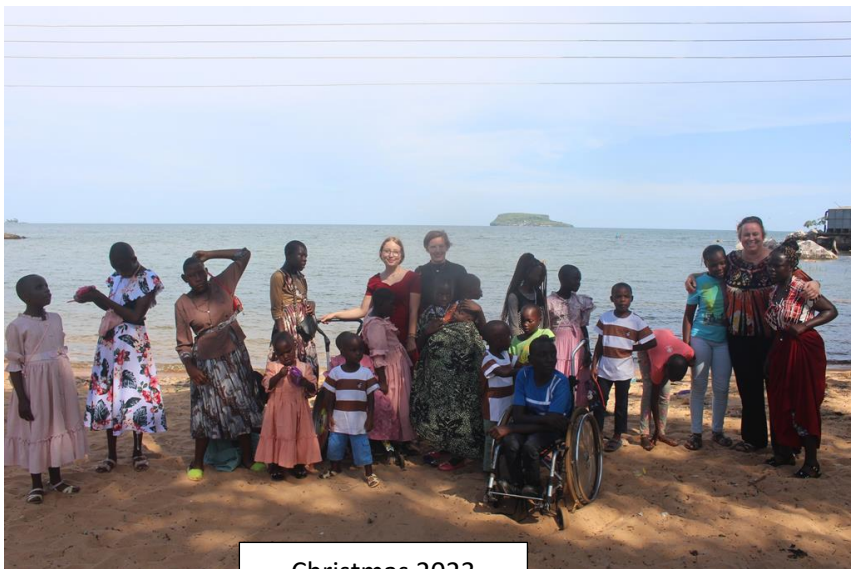


*Christ is risen from the dead,
Risen as he truly said! Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Easter 2024

Dear Friends and Supporters of St. Nicholas!

I had visited St. Nicholas for Christmas and New Year. Each time I come to visit, it is a great joy to see how much the children have grown!



Christmas 2023

This is especially true for Elizabeth who has been with us since July 2023. When she first arrived, she only weighed 17 lbs. at the age of seven! Because of her severe disabilities, feeding her is difficult and takes a lot of time and patience.



Aglipina and Elizabeth

In the past months, she has visibly gained weight. She happily observes what is going on around her. Elizabeth is always ready to brighten the world with her big smile.



Kevina und Vanessa



Vanessa

Vanessa also joined our family in July 2023. In January, she started school. Together with Kevina she attends a special class for older students. Vanessa is determined to catch up with the missing years of her education. Her general health has improved already.

In March, we received a new child. James is about 12 years old. He was found walking around the bus station by himself. People took him to the police and the police brought him to the social welfare office. Social welfare called us, asking us to take care of him while they are looking for his parents. James has a mental disability, which is why he cannot tell us about himself. He also has some physical problems and health issues. At present, he is still adjusting, and he needs a lot of attention and individual care.

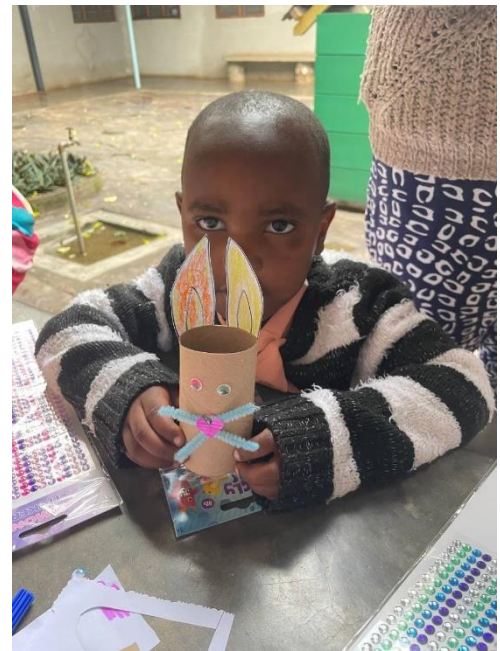


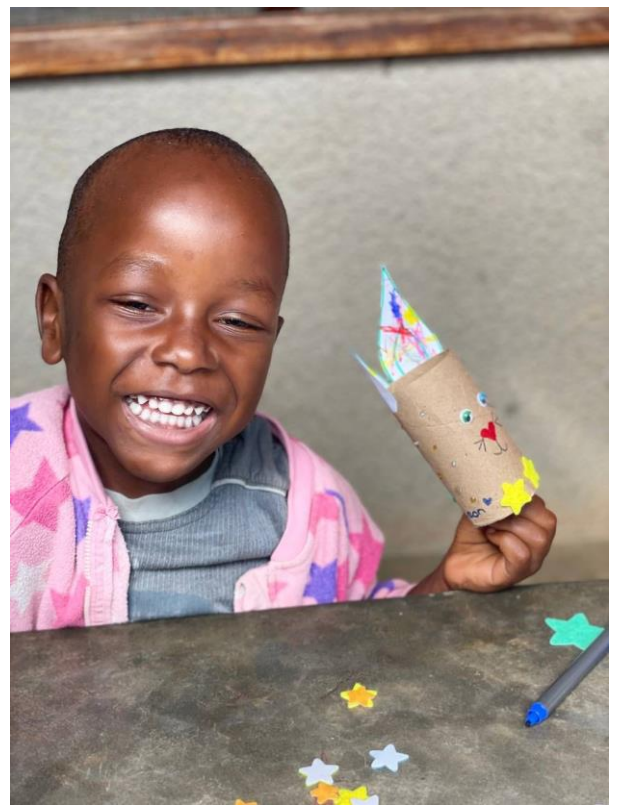
James

In January, we started building a new house for the young adults with disabilities who will need lifelong care. The basic construction will be finished soon. During my next visit in July 2024, we plan to do the interior construction. The first young adults will be moving in before the end of this year.



Our volunteers and visitors were busy doing arts and crafts with the children. They made Easter bunnies out of toilet paper rolls. The children are looking forward to Easter. After the prayer services, all will go to have a big dinner in town. The children have a two-week school holiday and the boarding school children will come home as well.





Thank you so much for your faithful support. Without you, we would not be able to care for the children.
We are wishing you and your families a blessed Holy Week and a joyful feast of the Resurrection!

Stefanie Köster, the leadership team, the children, and caregivers