

# black buffalo global missions

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“Cornelius stared at him in fear. “What is it, Lord?” he asked. The angel answered, “Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up as a memorial offering before God.” NIV Acts 10:4

We might not have an angel coming to us with words such as were spoken to Cornelius, but I still believe they apply to us today. Our gifts to the poor are a sweet memorial offering before God. Thank you for helping us look after the widows and orphans.

From the Old Testament through the New Testament, there are many verses that talk about blessing the poor, which includes widows and orphans. BBGM is fulfilling that commission that was started by Black Buffalo (Ray Wilson Sr.) back in the 70’s.



On March 20, 2024, six adults from Canada and the USA, will travel to Uganda to visit our Village of Joy. In 2017, I was able to make my first trip to Uganda. This will be my sixth trip. In many ways it now feels like my second home. Each trip is special, and we usually take a group with us to see and experience this missional work. During this trip we will be involved with chapels everyday, connecting with children and staff, seeing what we can do to make life a little easier for our children.

These precious children, whom Jesus loves so much, have worked their way deep into my own heart. This ministry, that started with Ray Wilson Jr., has grown and changed so much in these nine years that BBGM has been involved. We now have 12 classrooms, an office/medical building, a nice boys/girls/staff washroom building, cook house, a children’s home, library, and a wall encompassing our Village of Joy.



In 2019, we decided to expand our Primary grades to include a High School as the need for it was growing. We found out later that in Uganda, the Minister of Education requires a High School to be on a separate property from a Primary School. In March of 2020, land across from our Village of Joy was purchased for a future High School. Covid came and everything in Uganda was shut down for two years. In 2022 as things started back up again, we had our High School students meeting in a section of our school using three of the existing rooms.

We were being pressured by the Minister of Education to either build a High School or send these students home. We knew that for around \$30,000, we could build it. We had the land, the bricks, and the sand. We were hoping that if we could at least start, then the government would allow us to continue. The good news is, in December of 2023, we were able to start. Thanks to some generous donations that came in, the foundation was put in. As more money arrived, we were able to build the wall. Having all those bricks and sand helped to keep our cost down.





December saw some more generous donations, so now we have constructed up to the roof, which is a costly part of the structure. We are excited to see this new High School getting closer to being a reality. Our High School students are excited as well knowing this means their education can continue.



With the High School being built, we can now make use of our playground equipment. For over two years it's been chained up because the High School students were using some of our primary classrooms. Now with the High School construction, the children are once again enjoying having these available. It's so good to see videos of their laughter and smiling faces as they enjoy this playground again!

We are looking to the Lord for provision for the many other needs that have come to our attention. Our well needed repaired. This is an important clean and trustworthy source of water for our Village of Joy.

We are thankful we were able to get this done and the children can once again enjoy the use of it. In a recent YouTube video, I shared the cost of completing the High School, plus some other expenses that we have. Your partnership is helping us to not only provide meals, an education, and medical care, but other needs that keep arising. God has blessed this mission, and we know He loves these Ugandan children.



I have listed what is needed to complete the High School along with some other needs that we have. If any of you can help us with these things, it would be greatly appreciated.

In closing, I want to remind you again to check out our website at [blackbuffalo.org](http://blackbuffalo.org), our Facebook page at Black Buffalo Global Missions, and our YouTube channel at Black Buffalo Global Missions. If you subscribe to our YouTube channels, you will get the latest updates on these short videos we post every few weeks.

Thank you for partnering with BBGM, your generosity is making a huge difference in the lives of hundreds.

May God richly bless you!

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James 1:27. "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world." NIV



P.S. Donations can be given to Black Buffalo Global Missions through several ways.

1. Checks can be sent to: Black Buffalo Global Missions, PO Box 280, Silverton, Oregon, U.S. 97381.

2. Through PayPal at [www.blackbuffalo.org/donate-now/](http://www.blackbuffalo.org/donate-now/)

3. In Canada, please contact Gordon at [gordon@blackbuffalo.org](mailto:gordon@blackbuffalo.org)

### High School

Doors - \$1,103.00  
Windows - \$4,044.00  
Finishes - \$4,860.00  
Painting - \$1,765.00  
Splash Apron - \$551.00  
Electrical - \$1,313.00  
Labour - \$2,730.00

### Other Projects

Cistern - \$1,060.00  
Gravel - \$700.00  
Chairs - \$7.00 each  
Uniforms - \$35.00 each  
Bibles - \$7.00 each