

# MELTHAM MUSTARD SEED REPORT 2021

Registered Charity No. 1126741



Kyema Mustard Seed visiting mother Evas, at the homes of two fostered children. Emmaton and his Grandmother and Ayesiga Joakim with her Mum. The children were visited during Covid lockdown to check on their welfare and assisted with some posho, sugar, soap and salt.

KMS were pleased to inform us that in October, Morris Kusiima, one of the young adults became their new secretary, taking over from Jessica Kyongo who sadly died earlier in the year. Morris is already the secretary for the young adults KMSYA but it is great to see him become involved with the 'parent' committee. He had a very difficult and tragic early childhood and was taken into Mustard Seed in 2006 aged 15. He graduated with a degree in Business

Administration and Accountancy and is currently mission coordinator for the Masindi Kitara Diocese (of which Kyema is a part). He has fully supported Fred Nyakana with the sugar project and helps mobilize the other young adults to carry KMSYA forward into sustainability.

Since February 2019, funding has been sent for the self-sustainability Sugar Cane Project. Fred Nyakana the KMS coordinator is supervising the project. He has a degree in Agriculture and many years of direct experience in the sugar industry. Accounts have been regularly received from Monica the KMSYA treasurer, identifying use of all money sent so far. As their contribution, KMSYA themselves started with 1.5 hectares in Kyamaiso village. This has been harvested bringing in a better than expected income. KMS fields - 2.1 hectares planted in Miramura, should have been harvested and processed but is delayed because of malfunction of part of the new sugar factory thus creating a huge backlog. 12.0 hectares planted in Kihagani villages. It is growing reasonably well but the drought is beginning to have an effect. This is due to be harvested in 2022.

It was great to hear that at the end of Covid restrictions the annual end of year get-together was held. Foster parents and the children being encouraged to attend. KMS is well known in the Masindi area of Uganda and again has taken a great opportunity to share what it is doing in the local community and demonstrates the impact of the project on the lives of the orphans.

Since 1996, 48 young adults have progressed through Mustard Seed. Some attained a degree, others a diploma or higher education certificate. Some have excellent jobs, one working in education within the Government. Sadly, unemployment is extremely high in Uganda. The effects of Covid further devastating job prospects. Inevitably some MMS adults are unemployed but actively seeking work. Currently there are 30 children in the project supported at various levels of education.

Since 1996 MMS has raised £207,750,75. KMS annual accounts are independently audited and sent to MMS. Each year a new budget is set by KMS for approval. MMS is fully audited, all members of MMS and KMS are volunteers. Except the HSBC bank charges, ALL the money goes to KMS every penny accounted for.

### Fundraising in 2021

Unfortunately, the only extra fundraising we were able to achieve was the Christmas coffee morning where many homemade gifts and Christmas items were offered for sale. This raised £282.00.

### Future events.

Coffee morning and Sponsored walk Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Please come and support.

Meltham Mustard Seed extends a huge thank you to everybody for their interest, donations and support during a difficult 2020/2021. There is still extra fundraising to do as we aim to make the project self-sustaining while making sure the children continue in foster care.

We thank the people on the ground in Kyema. Evas the visiting Mother and committee who maintain regular contact with the KMS orphans and their foster carers. Also, the young adults for their vision and enthusiasm to continue the legacy of Meltham Mustard Seed. Fred Nyakana the coordinator, who is frequently in touch with updates concerning the children and the KMS sugar growing.

A REMINDER that all MMS orphans are fostered by relatives - KINDRED FOSTER CARE. This ethos is promoted throughout the world as the best care for orphaned children. Being cared for in their own culture, in their own environment, among people who hopefully best understand them and their needs.

The success of kindred foster care cannot be underestimated, its ethos is spreading. Through family contacts in the UK, encouraged by the success of MMS and discussions with Fred Nyakana, Emmanuel, 11 years a refugee in Sierra Leone was brought up in an orphanage in Freetown. He eventually managed to return to his home in Liberia intending to set up an orphanage but with UK support and the charity SFAC - 'Strengthening Families And Children' has set up and runs the charity 'Gods Kingdom of Hope International', registered in Liberia. This supports and mentors school children and is beginning kindred foster care.

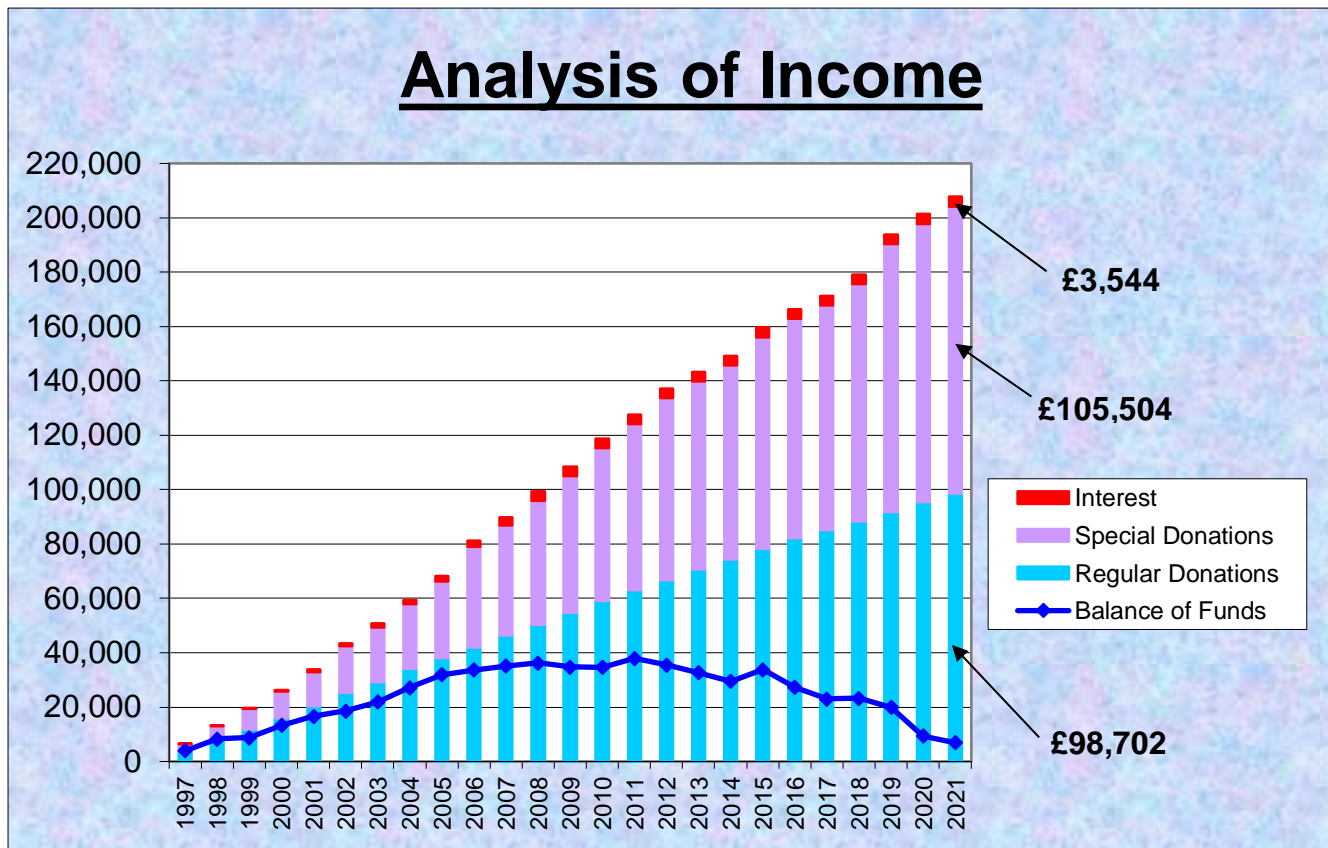
January 2021 Naomi, the first fostered child, had never been to school, now she is in school and very happy in class. In August she graduated from her first school, already ready to progress to elementary school.



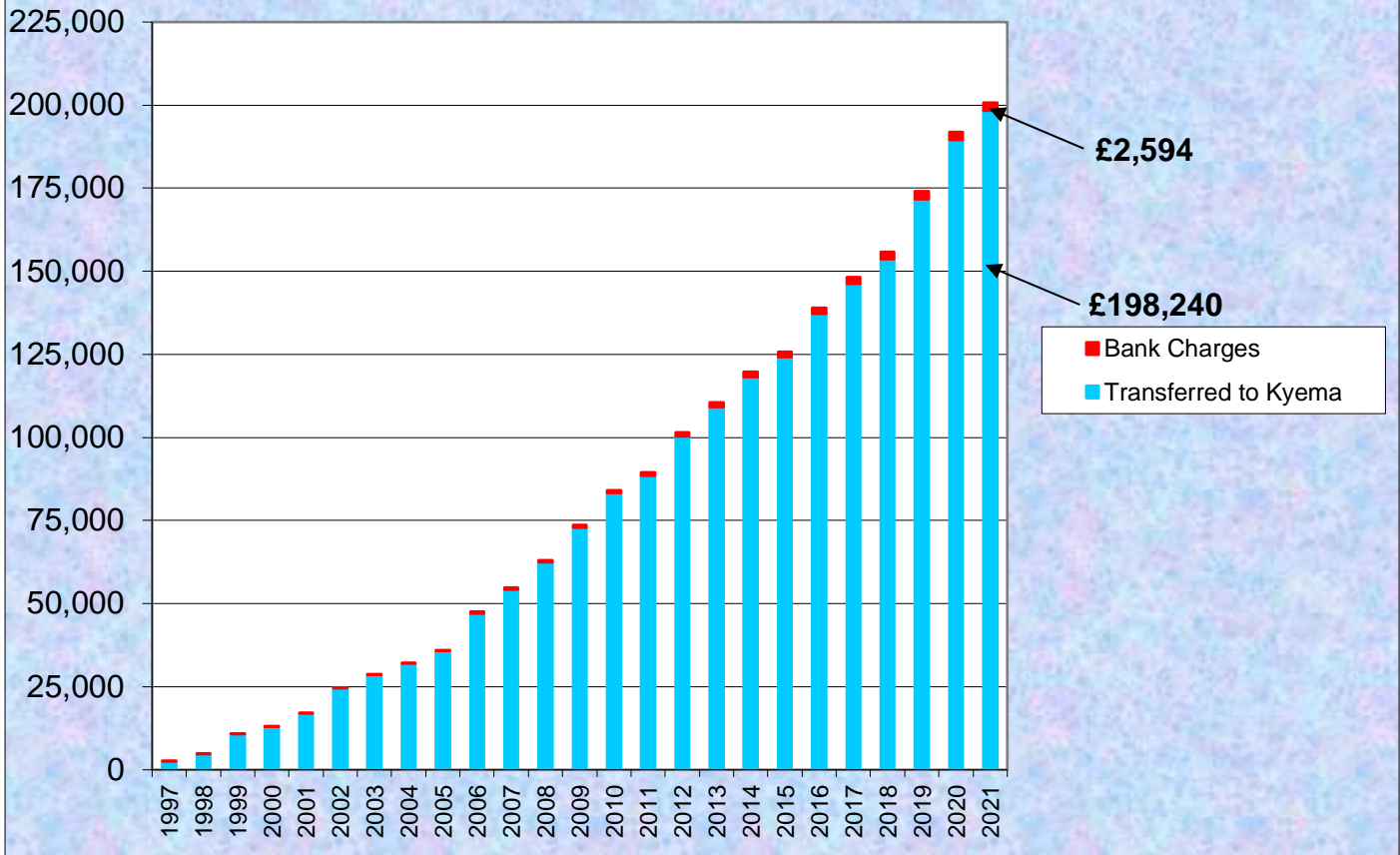
Another Mustard Seed, planted in Liberia

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# Analysis of Expenditure



**Receipts and Payment Account - Period to 31.12.21**

£'s

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
19,898.28	Opening Balance	9,419.59			
3,530.00	Regular Donations	3,289.00	6,300.00	Child care payments	6,300.00
1,765.00	Special Donations	2,520.00	1,885.00	Other payments	2,470.00
14.76	Interest Received	0.74	127.43	Bank charges	95.92
1,953.98	Gift Aid	271.50	9,640.00	Sugar Project	
110.00	Sponsored Walk / Coffee Morning	282.00			
	Curry Night				
	African Meal				
100.00	Sugar Project		9,419.59	Closing Balance	6,916.91
<b>27,372.02</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15,782.83</b>	<b>27,372.02</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15,782.83</b>

Receipts and Payment Account - 1997 to 2021

Receipts	£	Payments	£
Opening Balance	0.00		
Regular Donations	98,702.07	Child care payments	155,495.10
Special Donations	35,923.30	Other payments	13,274.94
Interest Received	3,544.30	Bank charges	2,593.80
Gift Aid	10,798.43	Other Expenses	1,430.00
Fund Raising Events	11,394.96		
Sponsored Walk / Coffee Morning	32,666.34		
Chairman MTC	32.00		
Mens Project	4,070.85	Mens Project	5,000.00
Nursery Money Returned	152.50		
Grants	2,000.00		
Memorial Service	33.00		
Visitors from Kyema Contributions	393.00	Visitors from Kyema	1,800.00
Sugar Project	7,885.00	Sugar Project	21,240.00
Calendars	155.00	Closing Balance	6,916.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>207,750.75</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>207,750.75</b>