The Tumaini Fund

A HOUSE BUILT BY TUMAINI

There is a constant need for new housing in Kagera where so many families exist in the most terrible homes, often constructed of sticks and with a roof of leaves.



In the rainy season, the heavy downpour leaks through the roof and the family simply stands and waits for the rain to cease and the floor to dry before they can lay bedding on the ground to sleep.



Grateful family with tears in the children's eyes as they greet visitors to their new home.



Their new Tumaini house gives this widower and his children hope for the future and dignity once again.

Truly a wonderful gift.

With a house of sticks and leaves, there is danger when water accumulates in the roof leaves and the weight causes the roof to collapse, killing the family huddling inside..... a reality and desperate worry for many families

Current Tumaini Specifications for new houses:

Foundations: Sand and cement

Walls: Mud bricks, made of clay and soil and baked in the sun OR

<u>Fire bricks</u>, made of clay and soil and baked in a kiln

Roofs: Tin sheet

Windows: Wood framed with wood shutters.

Mesh screening now being installed on all windows to protect against mosquitoes

and malaria.

Doors & Shutters: Made of wood by Wilbroad in Tumaini Vocational Carpentry Workshop.

Design: 2 Doors: one front and one back of the house for ventilation.

2 Doors inside: one for each bedroom.

Rooms: 3 Rooms: 1 bedroom for girls to sleep: 1 bedroom for boys to sleep:

1 room for general living.

Cooking outside: Families are encouraged to keep a small, well ventilated shelter outside their

home for cooking. This keeps the new house free from pollution from smoke etc.

Family Pride: Many families work to improve their house, with personal decorations, new

bedding and flowers outside, making it truly a family home.

A Family in Chato welcomes Dr. Susan Wilson to visit their new Tumaini home.



The previous poor home



Welcoming visitors



Dr. Susan Wilson with the grateful widow outside her new front door.



The family with smiling faces for the visiting Tumaini team.



This photo through the open door shows how most families sleep at night... with bedding laid on the floor and the essential mosquito net suspended above

Dr. Susan Wilson visits new areas in urgent need of new Tumaini houses.













To each family, living without hope in a hovel, a new Tumaini house is a priceless gift.