

Joy News – July 2026



A New Chapter in Mission Ministry in Uganda

Joy Uganda Children's Church has officially opened its doors. Unlike a children's ministry that operates under an existing church, this is an independent church dedicated entirely to children.

On **Saturday, June 20**, we held our very first worship service at **Fairfield Primary School in Kiwanga**. More than **400 children** attended the inaugural service, demonstrating how eagerly the community had been waiting for such a ministry.

In Uganda, only a few large churches are able to provide organized children's ministries. Most churches struggle because they lack adequate buildings, classrooms, trained teachers, financial resources, and teaching materials.

Recognizing this reality, Joy Uganda made a bold decision. Instead of allowing children's ministry to remain dependent upon adult ministry, we established an independent **Children's Church**.

Our worship services are held in a primary school building on Saturdays, when the school is closed. The campus provides a spacious hall and a secure fenced playground, creating an

excellent environment where children can worship freely, study the Bible, and enjoy fellowship together.

Since many of these children eat only one meal each day, we also provide lunch every Saturday so that they may experience God's love both physically and spiritually.

Why Is This Children's Church So Important?

This vision grew partly from my own personal experience and partly from something every Christian understands—the lasting influence of Sunday School.

Many believers testify that even if they drift away from God for a season, the faith planted during childhood eventually brings them back.

The songs we sang, the Bible verses we memorized, the Bible stories we heard, and even the simple stories taught during childhood remain deeply rooted in our hearts, often far more vividly than lessons learned as adults.

In Uganda today, church ministry has naturally become centered on adults. Establishing an independent Children's Church—not simply a Sunday School—represents a new missionary strategy and opens a new horizon for the future of the Ugandan Church.

Even more significant is that Joy Uganda Children's Church is committed to **Inclusive Worship**, where children with disabilities worship together alongside all other children. This makes it one of the most unique and meaningful ministries in Uganda.

Become a Partner in This Amazing Children's Church

We are currently praying for partners who will join us in this ministry.

1. Sound Equipment and Musical Instruments

We especially welcome churches that are upgrading their sound systems to donate their used equipment.

Needed items include:

- Main PA System
- Digital Mixer

- Digital Piano
- Keyboard / Synthesizer
- MIDI Controller
- Portable Microphone & Amplifier System
- Microphones
- Musical Instruments
- Other sound equipment

These instruments will serve not only Joy Uganda Children's Church but also our partner churches throughout Uganda.

Those who would like to contribute financially toward purchasing equipment are also welcome.

2. Projector and Pull-Down Screen

A projector and screen are needed to enhance children's worship and Bible teaching.

3. Children's Bibles

500 English Children's Bibles

Cost: \$10 per Bible

4. Weekly Lunch Ministry

Each Saturday approximately **400 children** receive lunch.

Cost: \$100 per week

5. Ministry Staff Support

Support for one Children's Church pastor or ministry worker.

Suggested support: \$100 per month

For sponsorship or questions, please contact:

Rev. Daniel Kim
Phone: 714-679-9191

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Prayer Requests

Please pray with us:

1. That God will provide all the finances, facilities, and dedicated workers needed to establish the Joy Uganda Inclusive Special Education School.
 2. That the newly established Joy Uganda Children's Church will raise a new generation of Christian leaders.
 3. For the Joy Kenya Music Therapy Program.
 4. That God will raise up more people who are called to disability ministry.
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