



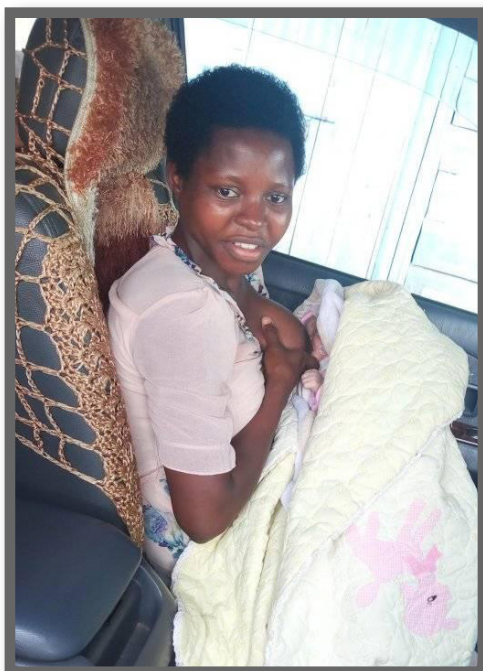
Joseph Shows Mercy to Mercy

Dear Friend,

Why is that woman standing at the hospital gate with some luggage by her side? What is she holding in her arms? What is she doing there?

Joseph, our senior driver, had just dropped off some nurses at the Bundibugyo General Hospital. He and our other driver, Joe, are spending all day every day transporting health care workers in the Ourganda

Land Cruiser and van during this time when the government has banned all public and private vehicles from the roads.



Joseph lowered the window and inquired. **The young woman lifted her tired face** and explained that she had given birth to a precious little girl named Mercy — by means of a C-section — and the hospital had just discharged her. She needed to go home, but home was 14 miles away up steep and muddy roads in a remote village called Bulyambaya, and she had no way to get there.

“What am I supposed to do?” she asked. “I don’t think I can make it that far with a baby in my arms. And how can I carry this luggage?”

“I will help you.” Joseph steered the Land Cruiser to the side of the road, killed the motor, and lifted the tailgate. He made sure Dorothy and Mercy were seated comfortably in the car, then he loaded their luggage. “Here is some water, and a sweet cake,” he offered.

Joseph had permission to carry health care workers, but this was not approved. His heart was touched with compassion; there was no way he could allow himself to drive away and leave this mother to fend for herself. **Joseph made an instant decision to show mercy** to Baby Mercy and her mother Dorothy.



And how cool is this? Joseph knew exactly how to get to Bulyambaya because that is one of the villages that Ourganda has adopted, one of the



villages that (before the lockdown) our team served every week. The moment we heard the story and received some photos, I wrote this note: "Thank you, Joseph, for being a hero for this mother and her baby!"

A half-hour after finding her at hospital gate, the Ourganda Land Cruiser pulled up in front of a small and humble home where family and friends welcomed and celebrated the newest member of the village. "She was extremely happy together with the family members," Joseph reported.

Life is tough in Bundibugyo. That's why Ourganda is there. That is why every time Doreen takes someone eight hours away for life-saving surgery, Judith shares a birthing kit with a pregnant mom, or Malikewa gifts a water filter to a family, we are delighted that we can help. In the deepest possible sense, Uganda is Ourganda. We love coming alongside our brothers and sisters.

Are you willing to help? Your generous gift makes it possible to multiply the mercy that Joseph showed to Baby Mercy and to her mom.

P.S. Thank you!



Ron Gladden
Ourganda Director



One Time Projects	Total Cost	Raised	Needed
Project CURE	\$35,000	\$2,500	\$32,500
Ourganda Campus (land)	\$45,000	\$26,151	\$18,849
Water Project	\$20,741	\$6,840	\$13,901

Ongoing Projects	Cost	Needed
Kits (Birthing)	\$15 each	hundreds
Kits (Hygiene, Kids)	\$12 each	hundreds
Water Filters	\$42 each	hundreds
Urgent Medical Surgeries	\$1,000 average per person	