



INTRODUCING



AMAZIMA
ACADEMY

RESTORING RELATIONSHIPS,
TRANSFORMING LIVES,
CHANGING COMMUNITIES...
TOGETHER



AMAZIMA MINISTRIES

A VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF AMAZIMA

Over the past six (6) years, God has used Amazima and our incredible team of ministry partners to make a tremendous impact in the communities surrounding Jinja, Uganda.

Because of the generosity of our partners, over 700 children to go to school, over 1200 children in Masese are fed a hot meal every day, and many families move towards becoming self-sustaining as they apply new vocational skills such as bead making and family farming. But most importantly, these men, women and children are being introduced to Jesus. And that is the most pressing need anyone has. In Uganda or the United States. It's why we do what we do.

But it's not all we do. In fact, God has placed a vision in our heart and an opportunity within our reach to have an even greater impact for the Kingdom and in the communities we serve. It's a big vision. It's called the Amazima Academy. That's right... a school. And we want to invite you on this journey with us.

The following pages will introduce you to the Amazima Academy, the reasons we feel led to build it, and the way you can be involved.

WE NEED YOU TO PARTNER WITH US.

Make no mistake. We know the Amazima Academy is bigger than us. But we also know it's not too big for God. He continues to show up and remind us that He is in control of this initiative and that He alone will get the glory. We are thrilled that together, He has invited both you and Amazima to be a part of what He's doing. And we would want it no other way!

As you read the following pages, would you prayerfully consider how you might partner with us? As you do, please do not hesitate to contact Doug Martin, Amazima's Managing Director, with questions. Doug can be reached at 615-656-5355 (ext. 306) or at Doug@Amazima.org.

Founder & Executive Director

Managing Director





Join the words in the box and write correct sentences.

She	a rope	abroad
Oba	made a table	class
Susana	make a sweater	publish
and Jiji	fill	a tree
They	mats	steal
the	a doll	publishing
ice	put far	to go
Alisa	and seat	

Use the words in the box to make a sentence from each.

1. She makes a table.
2. Oba makes a sweater.
3. Susana and Jiji make a rope.

OUR MISSION, VISION, CORE VALUES

MISSION

To live out the love of Jesus by educating and empowering the people of Uganda and the communities we serve.

VISION

That every person we serve would know Christ and make Him known, resulting in transformed lives, restored relationships, and changed communities.

CORE VALUES

PASSION

We are not simply employees of Amazima, but men and women passionate about living out the gospel in the community we serve. We work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men. (1 Corinthians 10:31, Colossians 3:23, Matt 5:16)

BIBLICAL TRUTH

We are servant leaders who strive to love our neighbors as ourselves. We choose to live and serve according to the truth found in Scripture. We do not avoid conflict, and when it occurs, we approach it in truth and grace. (Mark 10:42-45, Mark 12:30, Philippians 2:2-4, Matthew 18)

RELATIONSHIPS

We believe each person is made in God's image. Since people matter to God, they matter to us. As such, we will intentionally engage the poor, the oppressed and the needy in the communities in which we serve. We believe life change happens through relationship. We will value people over tasks. (Proverbs 22:2, Hebrews 10:24-25, Psalm 82:3-4, Jeremiah 22:16)

FAMILY

We believe that children are a heritage from God and a blessing from His hand. We are committed to God's plan for passing His love down through the ages by encouraging parents to love their children "so the generations to come might know" the love and forgiveness of Christ. We are equally committed to upholding the concept of family as God's original and primary means of producing a godly offspring and passing on godly values from generation to generation. (Psalm 78:5-7; Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Ephesians 6:1-3; Colossians 3:20)

STEWARDSHIP

We are responsible with the resources entrusted to us (money, people and time), recognizing they are God's gift and provision and not our own. We will be generous in our giving of care, time and finances. (Acts 20:35)

INTEGRITY

We will do what we say, and we will say what we do. We place the needs of the team over our own and we value teamwork over individual accomplishments. (Matt 5:7, Ecclesiastes 4:9-12, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31)

OUR PAST

JUNE 2007 – Katie moves to Uganda and begins <http://kissesfromkatie.blogspot.com>

JANUARY 2008 – First 146 sponsored children receive school supplies and go to school

FEBRUARY 2009 – 269 children are sponsored and begin school

MARCH 2009 – Katie begins developing relationships in Masese and feeding children

JANUARY 2010 – Masese Beading circle begins

2011 – 145 children in Masese are enrolled in two Nursery School classes

2011 – Sponsorship program grows to 393 children

OCTOBER 2011 – Kisses from Katie is released and debuts on the the New York Times Best Sellers List

FEBRUARY 2012 – Masese kitchen construction is completed and begins feeding 1200 each day

MAY 2012 – Amazima provides measles and polio immunizations for 482 children in Masese

2013 – Land is purchased for an Amazima school

2013 – Sponsorship program grows to include 626 children!

APRIL 2014 – 2000 attend our third annual Jesus Film presentation

JUNE 2014 – Amazima announces plans to build the Amazima Academy, a secondary school in Jinja, Uganda.

OUR PRESENT

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP OUTREACH

Katie began the education sponsorship with just ten children. While the program has grown far beyond this initial outreach to include 722 children in 2014, our focus remains the same. We want to connect our friends in Uganda with our friends around the world in order that God's truth will be spread throughout the nations. These connections are the heart of Amazima.



MASESE FEEDING OUTREACH

The Masese slum outside of Jinja, Uganda is largely made up of displaced people from the Karamojong tribe. This community struggles with malnutrition and starvation. Each day, we serve lunch to up 1500 students and children from Masese who cannot afford to go to school with the goal of drawing more children off of the streets and back into school while relieving the widespread hunger in the community.



MASESE NURSERY OUTREACH

The Masese Nursery Outreach is free and available to any child in the Masese community. Our outreach provides healthy meals and quality education to pre-school and kindergarten aged children. Amazima covers the teachers' salaries, nursery uniforms, and all scholastic materials necessary



MEDICAL CARE OUTREACH

Amazima provides physicals, HIV testing and counseling, basic hygiene education, malaria prevention, malnutrition rehabilitation, and medical financial assistance for both sponsored families and community members identified by our social workers.



MASESE WOMEN'S BEADING CIRCLE

Amazima empowers mothers in the Masese community through our beading program. Each week, Katie leads these women in Bible study, purchases their handcrafted jewelry, builds relationships, and assists in money management training. The profits from jewelry sales in the U.S. provide meals for over 1200 students in Masese each day. These women take pride in the difference they are making in their community!



VOCATIONAL INITIATIVES: FARMING GOD'S WAY

The majority of Ugandans are subsistence farmers. In January 2012, Amazima began hosting three-day workshops to train local people in Farming God's Way (FGW) practices, using Biblical teaching and proven farming methods to reveal the fullness of God's promised abundant life. These families now have more food to eat and to sell for income. Their community has banded together in new ways to help one another plant and harvest their fields.



OUR FUTURE: AMAZIMA ACADEMY

THE NEED

- Since many secondary schools in Uganda are not Christ-focused, the investment Amazima makes in discipling and mentoring students during their primary school years can be undermined and marginalized.
- Almost all secondary schools in Uganda are boarding schools. Tragically, secondary students are often physically, emotionally and sexually abused by their teachers and/or house parents.
- Secondary schools in Uganda rely on rote memorization of information. Graduates lack the basic problem solving skills and creative thinking to reach their God-given potential.

THE OPPORTUNITY

God has given us a BIG VISION with the Amazima Academy School!

- Over 50% of the population of Uganda is under 18 years old. This school gives us an incredible opportunity to provide a very thorough and high level Christian education to approximately 800 secondary school students a year. Our graduates will be the future leaders of Uganda.
- Amazima Academy will provide a secondary educational experience and environment that will develop critical thinking (formal and informal logic), entrepreneurial ideas, Godly ambition, strong communication skills (rhetoric), and most importantly, an understanding that each student is an image bearer of God Himself and infinitely valuable.
- Having a secondary campus will allow Amazima Ministries to develop a number of other areas of ministry including adult education, language training, vocational training, farming, and Biblical studies.
- God has positioned Amazima Ministries with the potential and platform to make a major difference in the secondary school experience for students in Uganda. We have purchased land, contracted with an engineering firm (EMI) to develop a master plan and construction documents, and hired our Head of School to lead the effort.

We are excited about the opportunities and challenges before us! We have already seen God do "immeasurably more than we could ask or imagine" (Eph 3:20) in and through Amazima Ministries over the past six (6) years... and so have you! That's why we want to invite you to join with us and help make this BIG VISION a reality for the students and families we serve in Uganda.



WHY A SCHOOL? WHY NOW?

Our mission at Amazima is to live out the love of Jesus by educating and empowering the people of Uganda and the communities we serve. The Amazima Academy will be a place where that mission is lived out!

Approximately 800 Ugandan secondary students will receive a top notch Christian and classical education that engages both their minds and their hearts. The Amazima Academy staff and house parents will love, mentor, and train every student through life on life relationships.

Amazima Academy students will be equipped with an education that fosters creativity and problem solving. This unique training will empower them as they move forward to university or vocational training. This education will enable all students to make a difference in their community.

Most importantly, Amazima Academy will engage each student's heart as well as their mind. Our main objective is to point every student to Jesus. We desire they know him and make him known, because we know that transformed families and communities begin with transformed lives.

As such, the capital campaign for the Amazima Academy really isn't about money. It's not even about a school. ***It's about restored relationships, transformed lives and changed communities. It's about a hope and future.*** The school is just a tool. A tool that we trust will point students and families to Jesus.



MEET SHARON

Sharon has been in our Education Sponsorship Outreach program since 2007. Every year, our team watches Sharon grow physically, academically, and spiritually. She has never repeated a grade level and she continually scores high in all of her classes. She loves singing in her church choir and dreams of being an accountant. It's our dream to not only see Sharon's dreams come true, but also to see God's dreams for Sharon come true.

Someday soon, Sharon will graduate from primary school and continue on to secondary school (boarding school), which is normally a very stressful process for students. They worry about getting accepted to their school of choice, being separated from friends, and leaving everything they've known behind.

We asked Sharon to dream big and list some things she would like to see in a secondary school. Here are some of her thoughts:

- Clean drinking water
- Committed and well-trained teachers
- A church building
- Large open areas for her and friends to play and coordinate extracurricular activities
- A well stocked medical room where sick students can be cared for

We believe the Amazima Academy can provide these things for Sharon. We believe we will watch Sharon thrive at a school where classroom sizes are purposefully kept small so students can receive the attention they want and need. We believe the Amazima Academy will provide Sharon an environment where she can develop her practical skills and her relationship with God all under the same roof.



WHERE ARE WE IN THE PROCESS?

In the past year, we have made great progress . God has opened many doors including the provision of the necessary land, leaders, partners and plans.



LAND: Amazima has acquired 67 acres of beautiful hillside just west of the town of Jinja. The land is close enough to the city for the school to be accessible to our students' families, but far enough out to provide open spaces and facilitate learning for up to 800 secondary school students.



LEADERS: We have hired our Head of School, Mark Guthrie. Mark is an extraordinarily gifted educator from Greensboro, North Carolina. Mark previously served as Head of School at Caldwell Academy in Greensboro as well as the Director and Principle of the American School of Lyon, in Lyon France. His 23+ years as an educator both in the States and abroad makes him ideally suited for this role. Mark will oversee the building process as well as the curriculum development and teacher training process. He and his family will be moving to Uganda in 2015.



PARTNERS: Amazima has partnered with Engineering Ministries International (EMI) to develop a master plan for the school. EMI has surveyed the property, developed an architectural plan and building layouts, as well as planned site utilities including water distribution, waste water disposal, grading, storm water management, and electric supply. EMI has also provide the construction documents necessary to begin building once the capital funding has been raised.



PLANS: Amazima is poised to begin building the school facility just as soon as the capital is raised. **WE HOPE TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION AS EARLY AS SPRING OF 2015 WITH A TARGETING OPENING DATE OF JANUARY 2017.**

Phase One will include the administration building, chapel, kitchen, student and staff housing, and two blocks of classrooms and will cost an estimated \$1.5 million. The entire build out of the school for all six (6) levels/grades will be \$3.5 million.

We are committed to building the Amazima Academy DEBT FREE.

Amazima needs to raise \$1.5 million to build out phase 1 of the Amazima Academy and \$3.5 million to build out the entire school.

HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?

Will you prayerfully consider making a 3 year pledge/gift to help us open the Amazima Academy?

In order to raise the \$3.5 million of capital funding that is required to build out the school, we are seeking...

- 1 donor who will commit \$500,000 over 3 years
- 3 donors who will commit \$150,000 over 3 years
- 5 donors who will commit \$50,000 over 3 years
- 15 donors who will commit \$30,000 over 3 years
- 50 donors who will commit \$10,000 over 3 years
- 250 donors who will commit \$2500 by December 31, 2014
- 1000 donors who will commit \$250 – 500 by December 31, 2014



YOUR GIFT IS DOUBLED

We are thrilled to announce that some generous friends of Amazima have established a **\$500,000 matching gift program** for the Amazima Academy capital campaign! This means whatever gift you give will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$500,000.

A \$100 gift becomes \$200. A \$1,000 gift becomes \$2,000. A \$10,000 gift become \$20,000. And yes, a \$100,000 gift becomes \$200,000.

Every gift, large or small, is another step toward the goal of turning that \$500,000 match into a \$1 million investment into the education of students who desperately want and need to go to school.

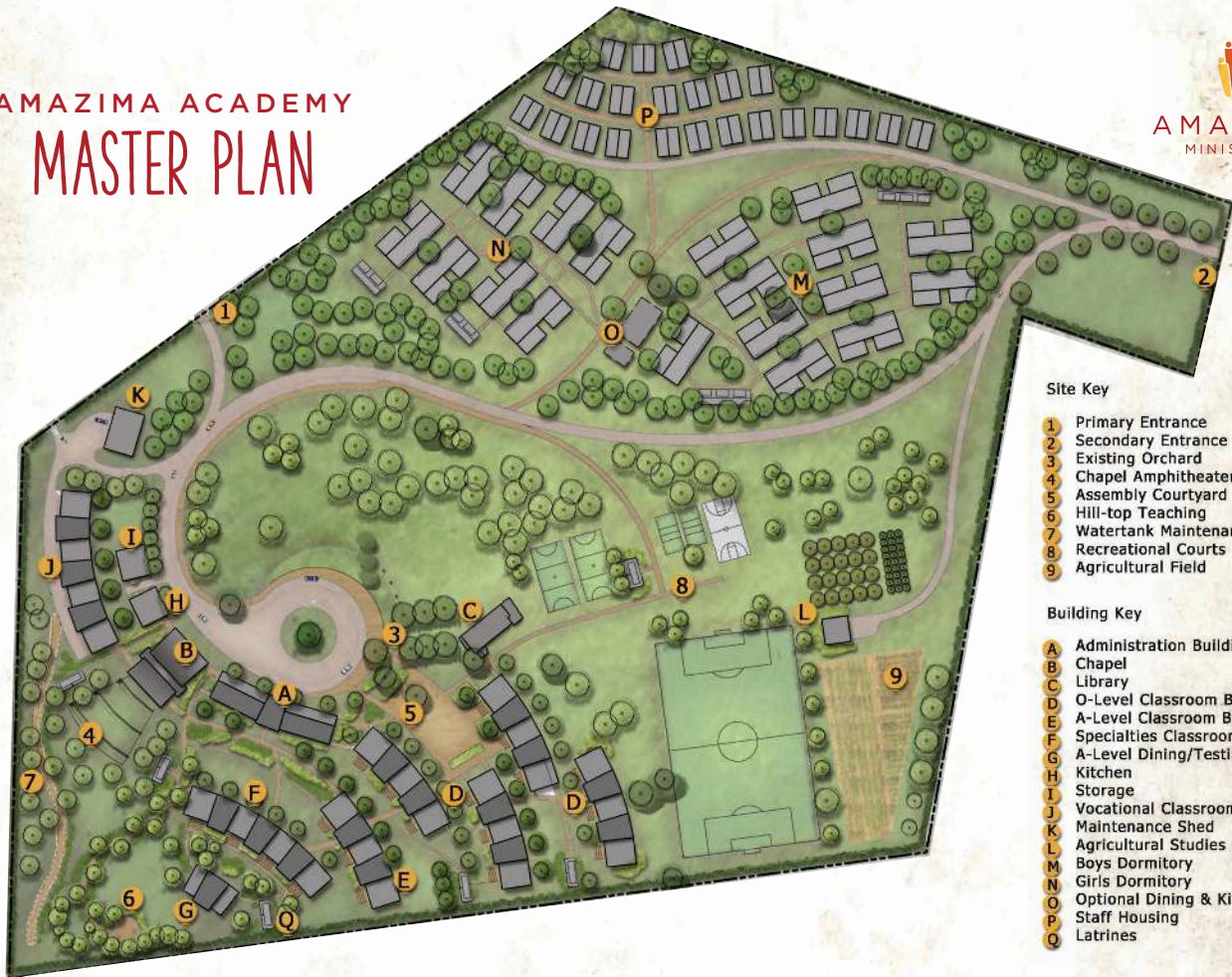
Please take advantage of the \$500,000 matching gift fund by making a generous donation today.

NEXT STEPS?

1. Complete the Amazima Academy capital campaign pledge card and return it in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.
2. Visit **www.amazima.org** for more information about Amazima Academy and to watch a video made on location of the new school.
3. Contact Amazima (615-656-5355 or email school@amazima.org) with questions or to request more information.



AMAZIMA ACADEMY MASTER PLAN



Site Key

- 1 Primary Entrance
- 2 Secondary Entrance
- 3 Existing Orchard
- 4 Chapel Amphitheater
- 5 Assembly Courtyard
- 6 Hill-top Teaching
- 7 Watertank Maintenance
- 8 Recreational Courts
- 9 Agricultural Field

Building Key

- A Administration Building
- B Chapel
- C Library
- D O-Level Classroom Block
- E A-Level Classroom Block
- F Specialties Classroom Block
- G A-Level Dining/Testing
- H Kitchen
- I Storage
- J Vocational Classroom Block
- K Maintenance Shed
- L Agricultural Studies Shed
- M Boys Dormitory
- N Girls Dormitory
- O Optional Dining & Kitchen
- P Staff Housing
- Q Latrines

MISSION STATEMENT

AMAZIMA ACADEMY MISSION STATEMENT

Amazima Academy is a classical Christ-centered secondary school that exists to equip students with the tools of learning to live fully for the glory of God. Amazima Academy emphasizes academic excellence, servant leadership, and nurturing relationships.

PROFILE OF AN AMAZIMA ACADEMY GRADUATE

Amazima Academy desires to graduate young men and women who will love the Lord with all of their heart, mind, soul, and strength. We expect graduates to be skillful in using the tools of learning: to think critically, listen carefully with discernment and understanding, reason persuasively, and articulate precisely. We intend for our graduates to be exposed to the Classical virtues of Truth, Goodness, and Beauty in order to demonstrate those through the Spiritual virtues of Faith, Hope, and Love. We endeavor for our graduates to be socially graceful and spiritually gracious, having strong integrity and a lifelong passion for learning. We strive to produce graduates who will not conform to the pattern of this world, but are being transformed into the likeness of Jesus Christ: serving sacrificially, profoundly impacting their families and communities, and boldly bringing the message of Christ's salvation to a broken world. Ultimately, our desire is that all Amazima graduates, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, will do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with their God.



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