# **Tuwapende Watoto**

# **Annual report**

Oberhofen, August 6, 2012

Dear Friends and Donors

With lots of beautiful memories and with the sound of joyous children's voices in my ears I came back from my last Tanzania trip two weeks ago. I am very glad to say that our orphans are doing excellent. We have received very pleasant school reports from their teachers and the little ones are developing amazingly! The operation of the Tuwapende Watoto Nursery and Primary School is running very well and the number of students continues to rise steadily. In July 2012 we already had 103 children in our school.

Whenever I am in Bunju B, I observe how well organized the everyday life of the Tuwapende Watoto family is and how affectionately the Mamas and the Babas care for the well-being of the children. Besides a safe home, a good individual education is very important to us. "Education for a bright future" is the slogan of our school because a good individual education will give the children the opportunity to develop an independent and strong personality.

We can only realize all of these plans and intentions thanks to your grateful assistance and dedication. In the name of the children and of the Tuwapende Watoto Foundation board, I would like to say thank you very much for your excellent support. It is a great honour for us being able to count on your confidence. We make a big effort to spend your donations reasonably, economically and only for the well-being of the children.

In my new role as the chairwoman of the Foundation board I am very busy coordinating the activities in Tanzania and Switzerland. I am very glad that I can fully count on the assistance of the two members of the Foundation board, Monica Brunner and Philippe Linscheid, and all our ambassadors and my family. Thank you very much!

A couple of months ago we launched and published our new website. It is very important to us to keep our donors informed. Our website <a href="https://www.tuwapende-watoto.org">www.tuwapende-watoto.org</a>, our facebook page and our newsletters will keep you up-to-date. We hope to reach even more donors electronically because it helps us to save donations as we will not have to send our reports in hardcopy form. If you have received this annual report by post, we do not know your e-mail address yet. In this case, please send us your e-mail address. You will help us to save expenses. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Ruth Bütikofer



# The highlights and changes in the year 2011

# Opening of the school, completion of the administration building

On January 10, 2011 we opened our school. We have started to run a first and a second grade class and engaged two teachers. The two classes have been taught in the nursery school building until they could move to the future library and teacher's room after the completion of the administration building in May 2011. The children also had the possibility to eat lunch in the new building. The request for nursery school places was so high, that we had to open a second nursery school class. In the beginning of the year there were 53 children attending the Tuwapende Watoto School / Nursery School.

# New orphans, new mamas

In March 2011 we took over responsibility for three new children. Peter was approximately two years old, Vanessa and Gabriel about three-and-a-half years old. Healthy food, a caring environment and a safe home helped for their quick recovery. These three children also attend our Tuwapende Watoto Nursery School.

Since December 2011, Mama Joyce's daughter Nancy has lived with the Tuwapende Watoto family and attends the second grade in our primary school.

In December 2011 Gloria and her brother Nevius, 17 and 15 years old, joined the Tuwapende Watoto family. Both of them attend a secondary school which is located close to our home base. Since 2007 Mama Prisca has been working for the Foundation Tuwapende Watoto. In 2011 she graduated from the Upendo College after studying there for two years. She now assists the nursery school teachers and is responsible for purchasing the groceries.

Together with her team she cooks the meals for the school children and the teachers. In addition she coordinates the task schedules of the cleaning ladies, which are responsible for the cleanliness of the school facilities. Her daughter, Irene, also lives with the Tuwapende Watoto family.

# Second Tuwapende Charity Golf Trophy, 2011

On May 2, 2011 we had the pleasure of organizing the second Tuwapende Charity Trophy on the golf course in Payerne. 96 participants enjoyed a beautiful day and a very nice evening at this very wonderful place. Our special thanks to Stéphane Rapin for his generosity and to all the participants and donors. Thank you very much indeed!

#### Tinga Tinga exhibition

From June 18 to July 30, 2011 we organized an art exhibition at the Hospital Gallery in Thun. The exhibits were paintings form the Tinga Tinga Arts Cooperative Society Dar es Salaam. The proceeds from the sales of the pieces went entirely to the Foundation. We were able to sell 30 paintings. The visitors, the patients and the hospital personnel were very interested in the special paintings from a foreign culture.

#### Solar energy plant

In June, 2011 we reached a very ambitious goal: Tuwapende Watoto became operator of a high-tech solar energy plant. Due to lack of connectivity to the governmental electricity network and because of the high insolation in Tanzania it was our wish to gain electricity independently from solar energy. SOLARtec, a company from Luxembourg, provided us, financed by the Luxembourgian government, a high-tech solar energy plant which arrived in an 18 tons heavy container in June in the harbour of Dar es Salaam. Workmen from Luxembourg travelled to Tanzania to install the solar panels on the roof of the administration building, to lay tons of cables and to install the water pump and the hot water pipes. In the end they made the equipment ready for operation. We feel deeply grateful to everyone who made this project possible! Pictures of the solar energy plant can be found on our website.

# **Administrator**

Since July, 2011 Beatrice Dyelu has worked as an administrator of the orphanage and the Tuwapende Watoto Nursery and Primary School. In addition, she is responsible for the cooperation between the local authorities and the Tuwapende Watoto Foundation. She is a Tanzanian citizen and graduated her sociology studies with a Bachelor.

#### Reconstruction of the laundry

Because our mamas prefer to do the laundry outdoors we converted the spacious laundry building into a room for the older boys and an office. Thanks to a generous donation, we were able to complete this reconstruction, which we started in June 2011. In the beginning of 2012, Jackson, Nevius and Francis moved to their ,new' building. They are very proud and grateful to have their own room.

#### Start of construction of the school kitchen and the new classrooms

In November 2011, the construction of the school kitchen, dining hall and the new classrooms began. The construction company promised, that the kitchen, dining hall and two classrooms will be finished by beginning of the second semester 2012 (July).

#### Preview of 2012

At the time when this annual report was written, we were already completing or continuing several projects in 2012. Despite what you may have already received via our newsletter we would like to mention some milestones of the current year.

Since March, 2012 **Emmaculate Mleke** has worked as a principal and a teacher. She has a teacher certificate and graduated her Business Administration studies with a Bachelor.

**New children** joined the Tuwapende Watoto family. Since March 2012, Aisha, Kevin, Baraka and Christopher live in our orphanage.

Thanks to Stéphane Rapin and his family, we were able to arrange the third **Tuwapende Charity Golf Trophy** in Payerne on April 30, 2012.

The **dining hall** and the two **new classrooms** were finished on schedule. The equipment for the **school kitchen** is still stuck in the harbour of Dar es Salaam.

The installation and the service of the equipment as well as the two week long education for Baba Ema in Zanzibar have been donated by the company **Ozti East Africa**. Our very special thanks go to Sjani and Waldemar Müggenburg and their team.

In autumn 2012, a further six new classrooms will be ready.

The **garden of the school site** is in the process of being planned and will be planted before the big rain season.

For the orphanage, we are planning an enlargement of the main building. We require more space and more work space in the **kitchen** and in the **multipurpose room**. We also plan to build a **covered place for the laundry.** 

# Scholar sponsorship

The Tuwapende Watoto Foundation wants children from poor families being able to attend school and get a good education. That is why we have launched the scholar sponsorship program. Many thanks to all the sponsors so far!

We are looking for donors who will donate an amount periodically to give a child (not specifically assigned) the chance to study at our school. On our website (,donate') you may find further information.

# BALANCE - SHEET AS PER DECEMBER 31, 2011

(in Swiss Francs)

# **ASSETS**

Current Assets Cash on Hand - account ZKB Other Receivables – Withholding tax	537'391 785
Total Assets	538'176
LIABILITIES	
Equity Fund capital as per January 1, 2011 Fund contribution Fund withdrawal Fund capital as per December 31, 2011 Foundation capital Surplus	331'940 364'000 180'000 515'940 21'302 934 22'236
Total Liabilities	538'176
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT 1.1. – 31.12.2011 (In Swiss Francs)	
Donations received Promotional products income Volunteer income contribution Other income	354'598 14'722 4'190 1'068
Total Income	374'578
Donations to NGO Tuwapende Watoto Tanzania Allocation Project Tanzania Travel expenses Promotional product costs	180'000 184'000 0 2'455
Product costs for children's home Fees and charges Administrative expenses	1'876 500 2'956
Legal and consulting expenses Advertising/Marketing expenses Finance expenses	749 814 294
Total Expenses	373'644
Surplus	934

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