

# CEO's Message for November

Believe it or not, we are approaching the holiday season and the New Year.

Amazing it is to see that we are left with just one month to close the year. I congratulate you all for coming thus far.

November is a time of reflection where one looks back and counts accomplishments as well as areas for continued improvement. It's a month where one pats themselves on the back to congratulate themselves on the achieved milestones as well as reflect on what can be done better in the coming year.

I believe we are convinced that our actions have touched and helped positively transform the life of a refugee.

This month, we visited and interacted with some of the refugee children whom AIRD is sponsoring their education. They study at St. Mary Assumpta Girls Secondary School in Adjumani, Northern part of Uganda. The opportunity to go to school has given them hope for the future and the key to transforming their life holistically

They are very ambitious and want to become an accountant, a Fine Artist, a Human Resource Manager, and a Food Nutritionist respectively. One passion they all have in common is to help refugee children live a better life by sponsoring their education and giving them livelihood projects to sustain them.

Through such projects, Refugees are supported to live comfortable lives and break the chain of poverty and misery for generations to come. We continue to empower them to realize this dream.



*Some of the girls that are currently being sponsored by AIRD*

For our geographic growth, expansion, and strategic investment in 6 new priority countries; Togo, Mali, Sudan, Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, and Senegal or Mozambique. Registration is currently underway and once this is completed, we shall be able to extend our impact and improve the lives of refugees through implementation of our different projects.

We are deeply grateful for your great work and support and love what you do. Your work is going to fill a large part of refugees' lives. I appreciate all those involved in expediting the registration process efficiently and effectively, not to mention our own Papa Sama Insa.

May the coming season fill your home with the warmth and happiness you bring to AIRD throughout the year.



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