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Lokure first appeared on this segment in 2017

Lokure dreams of becoming teacher

Abduhrazac Lokure continues to praise Vision Group for supporting his education journey. Since first appearing on this segment in 2017 – shortly after completing Primary Leaving Examinations at Karenga Boys School (Karamoja) with Aggregate 14 – he has been helped by people.

He recalls a man called Hassan, who promised to sponsor his secondary education after converting him to Islam, but disappeared when Lokure reached Kampala. Stories published – after he was found stranded at Old Kampala Police – led him to Isa Matovu, the director of

Kamuli Community College, where Lokure studied up-to and Senior Two.

He later joined Destiny SS in Katende, then Kiyuni SS in Mubende – which was under headteacher Musa Bbosa – for his O'level, and finally Wakatayi SS in Wobulenzi under Haji Abubaker Kabuye, where he completed A'level.

"I thank everyone who has supported me so far, and I would be very grateful for another chance to join university and become an agriculture teacher. This will help me support my five siblings back in Karamoja, none of whom have attended school," he says.

To assist Lokure, call 0705515422 / 0764802560.

Baby Mulungi was found crying near a church



On June 27, this year, a baby boy (Mulungi) was found crying near Summit Church in Masanda cell, Kyengera town council, Wakiso district. A passer-by heard him and rescued him. The case was reported to Kyengera Police Station and the baby was transferred to Teresa Children's Home for safety.

Mulungi is about eight months old. To help him, call 0704169306 or 0780247377.

LOOKING FOR HOME

Rwekaza hopes to go back home



Leopold Rwekaza, 16, says he came from Mutukula-Nkerenge zone in Tanzania, where he lived with his grandmother, Salvatore Flazia. His parents are Respicius Peter Rwekaza and Geraldine Mbonabilama.

On September 5, 2023, Rwekaza left home with a friend, Frank Juventi, riding a bicycle.

"When we reached Masaka city, we sold the bicycle for sh40,000 to get transport to Kampala and look for jobs," he says.

They reached Kampala at around 4:25pm. They went to Kamwokya, where Frank had a relative named Eva. The next day, Frank disappeared and could not be traced.

Residents, unsure of Rwekaza's identity, reported him to Kyebando police post. He was then transferred to Kira Road Police Station for two days before being referred to Rescue Mission for Street Life.

Rwekaza says Police contacted his father, who rejected him. He failed to join secondary school due to his family's low income.

Now aged 18, Rwekaza wants to return home. To help him, call 0784360922 or 0753058081.

Where are Stuart's parents?



In January 2022, a woman, reportedly newly-arrived from Rwanda, gave birth to a baby boy (Stuart). She later developed a mental illness and abandoned the child around Mengo-Bakuli in Kampala.

The next morning, a group of boys people searching for leftover food found the baby under a table. They registered the case at Old Kampala Police station, and the baby was taken to Sanyu Babies' Home for temporary care.

When the biological mother, Ruth Bizingiro, was discharged from Butabika Hospital, and then advised to bring a local council clearance letter before taking the child, she never returned.

To help trace Stuart's family, call 0772015460 / 0705681603.

Mugagga was dumped at police station



On June 30 this year, a boy of about three years was abandoned by an unknown person at Kabalagala Police Station in a Kampala city suburb.

A Good Samaritan rescued the child and handed him to the Child and Family Protection Unit in Police, which later transferred him to Nsambya Babies Home for care. He was named Peter Mugagga. To help trace his family, call 0781725766.

Samson was rescued aged two days



A baby boy, approximately two days old, was abandoned outside a home in Kajjansi, Wakiso district on May 6, 2023.

He was picked up by a Good Samaritan who reported the case to Kajjansi Police Station. Since no one in the community knew his family, the authorities referred him to Teresa Children's Home for protection, where he was named Samson Mulungi.

He is now two years old. To help him, call 0751272703 or 0770835623.

Where is Baraka's family?



On March 11, this year, a carpenter, Michael Naluswa, noticed a frightened boy – about four years old – wandering near Motherland SS in Nabweru South cell III, Nansana municipality. The boy said he was trying to find his way home but could not explain where he lived.

The local leaders were alerted, and the case was taken to Nabweru Police station. Through the Nansana municipality probation and social welfare office, the child was referred to Sanyu Babies' Home for temporary care as investigations continue. He was named Baraka.

To help trace Baraka's family, call 0772015460 / 0705681603.

Where did Fatuma, Precious' mother go?

One-year-old Precious Kirabo and her twin, Fatuma were rescued from their mentally-ill mother, Judith Nahabwe, on October 16, last year. The case was reported to Kawaala Police Station.

The children were taken to Kawaala Health Centre IV for medical care, while their mother was referred to Butabika Hospital. After being discharged, Nahabwe disappeared and has not been traced since.

If you know her whereabouts, call 0704169306 or 0780247377.

