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Glorious Betonde, a mother of sextuplets in Mbarara, is appealing to well-wishers and organisations for urgent support to help care for her five surviving children.

Speaking from her home in Rwebishuri cell, North division, Betonde said she and her husband, Vincent Betonde, face severe financial and logistical challenges raising the babies, who are now nine months old.

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The couple gave birth to six children on April 18, 2025. Tragically, one died, leaving four boys and one girl.

"The income of my husband cannot even meet a tenth of what we need to care for the children and our family of over 10 people," Betonde said.

She added that she had to quit her job to help manage the children,

relying on three maids, each earning shs150,000 per month.

"We tried with one maid, two maids, but still struggled. If we had the resources, each child should have a dedicated carer," she explained.

The family currently lives in a cramped one-bedroom and sitting room, forcing them to call on well-

wishers to help them afford a larger home or construct a small house.

Feeding the children is a constant struggle, with milk alone costing over shs350,000 monthly. Combined with family meals, medical care, clothing and paying caregivers, the couple says their expenses far exceed their means.

Betonde also highlighted concerns about providing for their two older boys, one in Primary Five and another in Primary One, as the family struggles to meet school fees.

"We are grateful for the support we have received so far, but the stage our children are at needs long-term assistance, including feeding, medical attention, clothing, and caregiver support," she said.

Those willing to help can contact Betonde on 0775147043 or 0702486578.