



DOCUMENT 07

Community Outreach Plan

Christmas Day service on the 25th and E-FILIMU Night on the 26th: sharing the gift that changed the world with our Kamod and Kasilo neighbours.

WHEN

Thu 24 – Wed 30 Dec 2026

WHERE

O'Palace, Kamod, Serere

STATUS

Draft for Meeting 1

“I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people.”

LUKE 2:10 · NLT

O'Palace, Kamod, Kasilo, Serere, Uganda
Block 9 Plot 226, Mairo Mukaga

TOPULO Family · Christmas 2026

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the Planning Team

Two moments, one message

FRI 25 DEC · 07:00–10:00

Christmas Day Service

A family-led service with the local church: prayer, praise & worship in English and Ateso, a Christmas special, the word, and the hand-over of donated items for the church to distribute.

SAT 26 DEC · 18:30–21:00

E-FILIMU Night

A free film night at the church for the whole community, with a short word, a gospel invitation and sweets for the children. It is on the 26th because the 25th is already too full.

WHAT WE LEARNED IN 2024–2025

- Community service was 'much appreciated and a great idea' (2023/24 review). Keep it.
- In 2025 the church offered two slots and the family had to choose under time pressure. This time we **book one date (26th) with the pastor by 15 Nov.**
- The projector was being searched for in December. Secure it, plus a backup, by 15 Nov.
- Posters were made at home and printed in colour to cut costs. We do the same, and put them up by Sunday 20 Dec.
- Contributions for the 2025 prison outreach came in at the last minute (UGX 350,000 by 24 Dec). Open the outreach collection early.

A · Christmas Day Service (Fri 25 Dec)

Venue: local church (confirm with the pastor; the 2025 film nights used PAG Church). **Dress:** Smart & Christmassy. **Service coordinator:** Peter Mungufeni. **Preacher:** an elder chosen by the Council of Elders (coordinated by Auntie Alice), optionally with a young co-preacher.

Time	Item	Who	Notes
06:30	Worship team arrives, sound check	Queensly, Jesse, Renee, Peninah	Instruments & cables checked on 24th (equipment person)
07:00	Call to worship & opening prayer	Service coordinator	
07:05	Intercession	Joel Olupot	Nation, community, families, travellers
07:20	Praise & worship	Queensly (lead) & team	Mix English and Ateso songs
07:50	Christmas reading: Luke 2:1–20	Two young readers (e.g. Natalie & Juanita)	English & Ateso if possible
08:00	Christmas special: carol medley	Family choir (all)	Rehearsed 24th, 17:45
08:10	Sermon	Elder preacher (+ youth co-preacher, optional)	About 35 minutes
08:45	Offering & donation hand-over	Church; donation team	Items listed and photographed beforehand
09:00	Announcements, including the Film Night invite for the 26th	Church admin; Hope	Invite the whole village
09:10	Closing & blessing	Pastor	
09:15 – 10:00	Greetings, then head home for portraits	All	Family portraits start 10:30 at O'Palace

Song list (draft for the worship team)

CAROLS (FROM THE 2024 FAMILY LIST)

- Joy to the World
- O Come, All Ye Faithful
- Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
- The First Noel
- Silent Night
- Angels We Have Heard on High
- Go Tell It on the Mountain
- O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
- We Wish You a Merry Christmas (closing)

WORSHIP & ATESO

- I Give Myself Away (Peter's 2024 suggestion)
- 2–3 Ateso praise songs: the worship team researches and shares recordings by 29 Nov (2025 instruction: 'we shall be mixing')
- 1 Luganda / Swahili chorus everyone knows
- Old hymns for the campfire nights (elders' favourites, to be requested)

Song sheets: titles and first lines go in the programme booklet. Full lyrics are projected, or printed only for songs the family has permission to copy.

Donation drive

- Each party brings items to donate: clothes in good condition, children's books, school supplies, soap, foodstuff (sugar, salt, posho).
- The outreach team lists and photographs the items on the 24th. The church distributes them to families it identifies (2025 agreement).
- Optional: if the family wishes to repeat the 2025 prison visit or a visit to vulnerable households (Auntie Joyce led these in 2023/24), schedule it on **Mon 28 Dec** with the stay-on group and fund it through separate voluntary contributions.

B · E-FILIMU Night (Sat 26 Dec, 18:30–21:00)

~300

Expected audience (plan sweets & seating)

Hope

Outreach lead; Timothy E. & Jonathan;
AV: Ps. Paul (to confirm)

UGX 0.65M

Budget for equipment, posters, sweets, fuel and church appreciation

Film choice (decide at Meeting 1)

- **Option 1, recommended: the JESUS film.** It is made for free community screening, has been translated into many Ugandan languages, and has an Ateso version if available (check the Jesus Film Project app). It is about 2 hours long.
- **Option 2:** a family-friendly Christian feature that we have the right to show publicly (buy or licence it; do not stream a personal account to a crowd).
- Whatever we choose: download the film and keep a **second offline copy on a USB stick**. Do not rely on internet at the church.

Run sheet

Time	What	Who
15:00	Equipment check at O'Palace: projector, laptop, film files ×2, speakers, mic, cables, extension reels, generator + fuel, screen/white sheet, torches	Jonathan & Ps. Paul
16:15	AV team departs; set up at church	AV team (3)
17:45	Full test: picture, sound, a 2-minute clip	AV team

Time	What	Who
18:00	Welcome music; ushers at the door; children seated at the front	Ushers (4) · Kayla & Zayn help
18:30	Welcome & opening prayer	Pastor / Hope
18:40	Short testimony or word (5 min, a young person)	To be named
18:45	Film	AV team
20:45	Gospel invitation & prayer	Pastor
20:55	Sweets & popcorn: controlled lines, children first	Ushers + outreach team
21:00	Thank-you & dismiss; pack down; headcount of family	Hope; Jonathan
21:30	Back at O'Palace: tea & prize-giving	All

Equipment checklist

- ☐ Projector + spare lamp/backup projector
- ☐ Screen or large white sheet + frame/ropes
- ☐ Laptop + charger; film on laptop and on USB
- ☐ Speakers / PA, mic, all cables, adapters, gaffer tape
- ☐ Generator, fuel (10 L), 2 extension reels
- ☐ Torches (6) for the walk back
- ☐ First-aid kit
- ☐ Bin bags

Preparation timeline

By	Task	Owner
8 Nov	Meet the pastor: confirm 25th service roles & book the 26th film night	Hope + Alice
15 Nov	Projector, screen and PA confirmed (borrow or hire)	Jonathan
29 Nov	Film chosen; rights confirmed; file downloaded twice	Hope
6 Dec	Poster designed (family branding)	Jordan / Hope
13 Dec	Sweets & popcorn on the Soroti list	Hope
20 Dec	Posters up; announced at Sunday service	Church contact
24 Dec	Donation items listed & photographed	Outreach team

SAFETY AT A COMMUNITY EVENT

- Ushers wear name tags or a bright T-shirt. One usher is posted by the equipment at all times.
- Children are seated at the front, away from cables. Cables are taped down.
- Sweets are handed out in lines at the end, not thrown, so no one is crushed.
- Family members walk back in groups with torches. A headcount is done before leaving the church.

“In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.”

MATTHEW 5:16 · NLT