

SEED Newsletter: January 2014
(**Science Education to Enrich Development**)
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It's really happening

The new **Institute of Science Education** at Great Lakes Regional College is well on its way to completion.

~ **Ground was broken** on Easter Day 2013 ~

~ the **foundation stone** was laid by the **Prime Minister of Uganda** in May ~

~ **construction of the building** has reached the second floor ~

~ the **roof will be completed** within the next few weeks ~

The goal is to have a **Ugandan Director** of the **Institute** but initially there will be a leadership team drawn from the US, the UK and Uganda, which will hand over to a local Director once a suitable candidate is identified. Hiring good local faculty is vital and we hope that science graduates from the UK and the US will join the faculty as volunteer visiting professors to help support the **Institute** and to save on some of the salary costs; especially during the first few years..... do you want to join us?



Thanks to the **generous support** of our friends and colleagues, we have managed to raise \$120,000 to finance the basic structure of the building and a further \$50,000 to cover the cost of the biology lab. We are now looking for ways to finance the chemistry and physics labs and to establish a student loan fund.

Paul and I are excited to be returning to Uganda in April for the dedication of the **Institute**, which we hope the **Prime Minister** will attend. Having him present at the official opening will be a significant step towards interesting the government in the project, thus potentially adding their financial support to the enterprise.

You are receiving this newsletter because of your support of **SEED**, financial or otherwise. We are deeply grateful for all the ideas, advice, contributions and encouragement that we receive from you all and want you to know that we are continuing to work hard to make this **Institute** a transforming force in the lives of its students and the community, transforming this:



into this:



Do you know of individuals or companies who might be interested in joining us in this exciting venture?

Do you know of funding sources we might approach?

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Watch our website for updates: www.udeworks.org/seed

Check out this video to learn more about the College - it's produced by Volunteer Uganda, our UK partner charity: <http://volunteeruganda.org/higher-education>

Thank you Webare munonga

Paul and Jessica Schendel

Current needs: lab tables and stools, computers and servers, solar panels, etc...
Future needs: fees for an individual student...