

# “Miria” Project

**SECTION:**  
HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS

**LOCAL PARTNER:**  
Sister Miria Maiziré  
Banyatereza Sisters Catholic Congregation

**FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS:**  
2007-2008 Il Canto Nuovo ONLUS  
2009-2011 Fondazione Cantonuovo  
2012 in avanti Il Canto Nuovo ONLUS

**BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT:**  
2007

**COST OF THE PROJECT:**  
900 €  
**RESOURCES PROVIDED:**  
300 €

**COUNTRY, CITY:**  
Uganda, Kampala



## THE STORY:

In 2007 during one of their trips to Kampala, Uganda, Maurizio Tiezzi and his brother Fabrizio met the local coordinators for some ongoing projects with Association Il Canto Nuovo Onlus. They visited also a very dear friend, Sister Priscilla Busingye and were asked to support a new project concerning a heartbreaking case. They learned the story of a nun, Sr. Miria, and her four younger brothers, one of whom very sick, who had lost both parents in a short period of time. These four unfortunate kids lived far away from their sister, with no one who could take care of them. In addition, some relatives had profited of their parents' death to seize their land and their home, leaving the orphans without a shelter and completely destitute. Sister Miria could not take care of them for lack of financial means and also for not being allowed to leave the convent at that time. On a personal basis the Tiezzi brothers agreed to a project in favor of this unlucky family, project that is run now by Associazione Il Canto Nuovo Onlus.

At present one of Sr. Miria's brothers is attending primary school, another two are in high school, while the sick brother has fully recovered. In addition, all of them have found accommodation either at school or at some relatives' home. A total yearly contribution of € 900 (€ 300 per child) will make it possible for

these poor orphans to attend school and receive food as well. In 2012 Tom will attend his last year of primary school, while Mary and Ponsiano will be in the fourth year of high school.

Those who would like to take part in this project can make a free contribution that will be added to the sum already collected up to now.

Total yearly amount needed: € 900



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FOTO:



1) The courtyard of the house where Tom and Mary live with their aunt's family



2) Tom



3) Mary



4) Hospitality of the family



5) Sharing moments



6) Leaving the slum