



## Building a House of Love and Hope

Many of our Rays of Hope Hospice Jinja patients are living in deep poverty. They are staying in shelters or 'houses' not suited for human dwelling.

Rays of Hope Hospice Jinja has identified some of the patients in urgent need of housing and with the help of donations from Friends of Reach Out (FORO) and private donors we have been able to provide a few of them with a better place to stay. Although very simple, such houses will keep the patient and family warm and dry, quality of life will be improved and it will give them a sense of human dignity.



*Ondonga Latibu's old hut*



One of the patients who have benefitted from a new house is **Ondonga Latibu** a 45 year old man with a big ulcer on his right foot. Ondonga lives in Nyenga Buikwe District where Rays of Hope Hospice Jinja provides him with pain relief, wound care, food support and counseling. When we first met Ondonga, he was living in a tiny, dilapidated grass-thatched house, so small that he could not even stretch out when lying down. Also, he had no bedding - only a thin blanket and a plastic sheet on the bare ground.



*Ondonga Latibu in front of his new house*

In April 2017 Rays of Hope Hospice Jinja built a small house for Ondonga Latibu, and he was provided with a mattress and a blanket. The new house is very simple, but it has given him hope and the feeling of being loved. He asks everyone to pray for him that God may grant him good health.

We thank God for our donors and supporters who are making this work possible.

*...and with a mattress and blanket to keep him warm at night.*



*There are many other patients like Ondonga. It only costs around \$ 400 to build a small house to help our very poor patients live in at least a basic human dwelling, and for \$ 35 you can donate a mattress and blankets and make a somebody like Ondonga comfortable at night. Any help you can provide is much appreciated.*