



Bridge of **Hope**

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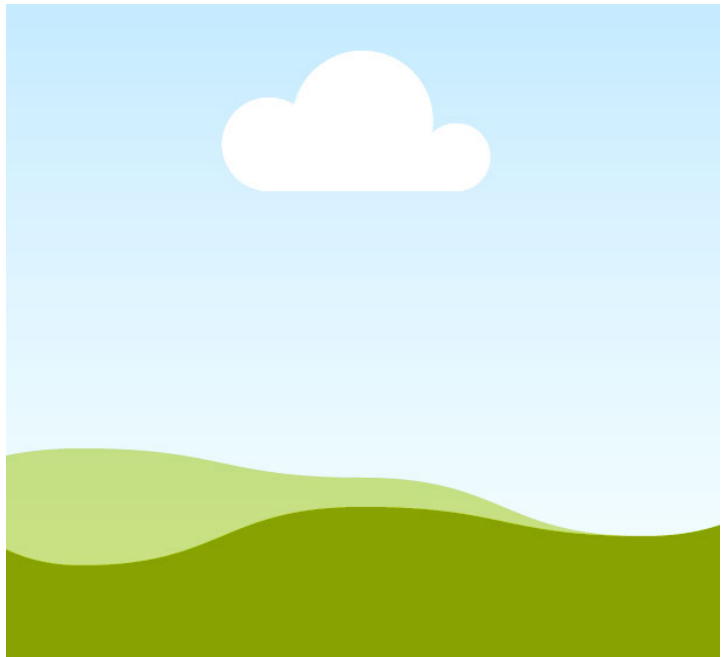


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DEAR PARTNERS AND SUPPORTERS

June 2026 was a period of strong engagement for Bridge of Hope, advancing quality education and the holistic development of children and youth.

We strengthened Early Childhood Development (ECD) services, empowered children and youth through sports and life-skills activities, and improved school WASH conditions through the distribution of water filters, while engaging families and communities to support child well-being.



We thank our partners and stakeholders for their continued support in advancing early childhood development, youth empowerment, child protection, and community engagement. Bridge of Hope remains committed to creating safe environments where children, youth, and families can learn, grow, and thrive.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- **URUHONGORE ECD ACTIVITIES**
- **RISING STARS SPORTS CENTER (RSC)**
- **WATER FILTERS DISTRIBUTION TO SCHOOLS**
- **NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST**
- **EARLY CHILDHOOD CERTIFICATE TEACHER CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME**
- **ECD CONFERENCE AND AFRICAN CHILD**
- **OPEN DAY LEADERS PRAYER BREAKFAST RWAMAGANA**

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URUHONGORE ECD ACTIVITIES

URUHONGORE ECD continues to make meaningful progress in the third term of the 2025-2026 academic year. Children are actively engaged in their regular learning activities, including midterm assessments and end-of-term examinations.

The Saturday “Play and Learn” program remains ongoing, providing children with opportunities to learn through play-based activities that support their cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development, while strengthening creativity, curiosity, and confidence.



Children are consistently provided with nutritious meals at the ECD center, helping them grow healthy, stay active, and fully participate in their learning journey.

In addition, the center continues to emphasize a safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environment where every child is encouraged to develop holistically.

Teachers and Caregivers remain committed to guiding learners through structured routines, while parents and the wider community play a vital role in sustaining attendance, protection, and overall child wellbeing.

RISING STARS SPORTS CENTER (RSC)

June activities at Rising Stars Sports Center (RSC) demonstrated sustained commitment to holistic child development through structured football programming. Regular weekend training sessions provided a consistent platform for developing both athletic ability and personal growth.

Through Bridge of Hope's Education Through Sports approach, football continued to serve as an effective entry point for improving school attendance, strengthening academic responsibility, and reinforcing key life skills, including discipline, teamwork, and leadership.



Participants showed measurable progress in technical football skills, physical fitness, coordination, confidence, and positive behavior. Values based coaching strengthened self-control, responsibility, and teamwork both on and off the field.

Weekly mentorship sessions further strengthened goal-setting, discipline, and academic motivation, supporting participants' long term educational and personal development.

Overall, RSC continues to use football as a structured and impactful platform for education, behavior change, and the holistic development of children within the community.

Critical Need:

Rising Stars Sports Center requires additional footballs and essential equipments to maintain training quality and ensure consistent participation and skill development for all children in the program.



WATER FILTERS DISTRIBUTION TO SCHOOLS

Through the Water for Every Child Project, Bridge of Hope continued expanding access to safe drinking water for schoolchildren throughout June 2026, in partnership with Zoe Foundation and Green for Life Rwanda.

On 3 June 2026, in partnership with Zoe Foundation, Bridge of Hope distributed water filters to ES Marie Adelaide, EP Kibaya, GS Hilltop Academy, Ecole Sainte Bernadette de Kamonyi, and ES Musambira in Kamonyi District.

The intervention benefited 6,157 students (2,664 boys and 3,493 girls), improving access to clean and safe drinking water and promoting healthier school environments.



On 12 June 2026, in partnership with Green for Life Rwanda, Bridge of Hope distributed water filters to College Saint Bernard Kansi, GS Kansi B., EP Janja, GS Janja, GS Rubona, EP Rusagara, EP Kigembe, ES Kigembe, EP Agahabwa, and Kigembe TSS in Gisagara District.

The intervention reached 8,441 students (4,761 girls and 3,680 boys), improving access to safe drinking water and strengthening health, hygiene, and learning outcomes in schools.

In June, 13,598 students gained access to safe drinking water in schools through WASH interventions, improving hygiene and learning conditions. From 2023 to 2026, schools were provided with water filters, enabling 149,273 students (72,625 boys and 76,648 girls) to sustainably access safe, clean drinking water.

NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

Bridge of Hope participated in the National Prayer Breakfast held at Kigali Serena Hotel, where civil society leaders from across Rwanda gathered under the theme "Transformational Leadership in the Civil Society."

The event provided a space for reflection, prayer, and fellowship, encouraging participants to uphold integrity, humility, and servant leadership in their work. It also strengthened engagement among civil society organizations, fostering collaboration and a shared commitment to sustainable community impact.

Through this engagement, Bridge of Hope reaffirmed its commitment to values-driven leadership and partnerships that serve communities with compassion, integrity, and excellence, contributing to lasting positive social change.



EARLY CHILDHOOD CERTIFICATE TEACHER CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

edify



Basic Teaching Certificate for
Early Childhood Teachers in Christian Schools
Module 1

Overview

20-25 hour **asynchronous** course on Kolibri

Intended for all teachers, especially **new teachers** or those without formal teaching degrees

4 Modules:

- Classroom Management (~5 hours)
- Family Engagement (~4 hours)
- Teaching Techniques (~6 hours)
- Student Assessment (~5 hours)

Participatory and engaging activities: reflective questions, quizzes, videos, audios

"Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still. Teach the righteous and they add to their learning."
- Proverbs 9:9

Teachers and caregivers from URUHONGORE ECD Centre completed the Early Childhood Certificate (ECC) training program through an online course facilitated by Edify in June 2026.

The training strengthened their competencies in classroom management, family engagement, teaching techniques, and student assessment, enhancing their ability to create more effective and engaging learning environments for young children.

Upon successful completion of all four modules, participants were awarded certificates in recognition of their professional growth and commitment to quality early childhood education.

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OPEN DAY RWAMAGANA

The JADF Open Day & Leaders' Prayer Breakfast was held in Rwamagana District on 25-26 June 2026 at St. Augustin Premises, bringing together government institutions, private sector actors, NGOs, and development partners to strengthen coordination and collaboration in local development.

Participants shared progress, best practices, and lessons from ongoing interventions across various sectors. The event also featured exhibitions and the formal recognition of partners for their continued contribution to community development efforts in the district.

Among the recognized partners, Bridge of Hope received a Certificate of Appreciation from Rwamagana District for its contributions in child development, youth empowerment, and community-based development, highlighting its role in promoting inclusive community development.



ECD DAY AND AFRICAN CHILD DAY JOINT CELEBRATION



URUHONGORE ECD team participated in the 2026 ECD Day and African Child Day celebrations, held on 16 June 2026 in Muhazi Sector, Rwamagana District, under the theme "Ndera neza, Nkure nemye".

The event brought together key stakeholders to promote quality Early Childhood Development, positive parenting, nutrition, and child protection.

During the celebration, URUHONGORE ECD, together with other ECD partners in Rwamagana District, received certificates of appreciation in recognition of their contributions to strengthening Early Childhood Development services and improving the well-being of young children.



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UPCOMING INITIATIVE: ECD GRADUATION CEREMONY 2025–2026 COHORT



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Celebrating a Milestone. Building Bright Futures.



Nurturing young minds today for a brighter tomorrow.

We are pleased to announce the upcoming Early Childhood Development (ECD) Graduation Ceremony for the 2025–2026 cohort at URUHONGORE ECD, marking a proud milestone as children complete their ECD journey and transition to primary education.

This achievement reflects years of steady growth in foundational learning, including literacy, numeracy, social interaction, creativity, and critical thinking, equipping young learners with essential skills for lifelong learning.

The ceremony highlights the importance of quality early childhood education and celebrates the shared commitment of teachers, parents, and partners in nurturing holistic child development.

URUHONGORE ECD remains dedicated to providing a safe, inclusive, and stimulating learning environment where every child is supported to thrive and reach their full potential.

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PRAISE

Bridge of Hope gives thanks to God for His continued faithfulness and guidance, which sustain its mission and all the work carried out in the communities it serves.

It is grateful for the children in its care, as well as the schools and communities that partner in supporting their learning, growth, and future development.

The organization also celebrates the progress made through education, sports, and community development programmes that are improving lives, and it deeply appreciates the partners, teachers, caregivers, and supporters who make this impact possible.

**THANK
YOU**

PRAYER REQUEST



We humbly ask for God's continued guidance and strength over our team and all our programmes, that every step may be guided by wisdom, purpose, and lasting impact.

We pray for stronger partnerships and new opportunities that will expand this mission and increase its reach.

We also pray for compassionate sponsors to support the education of vulnerable children, so that no child is left behind due to lack of resources.

May God grant sustainability, protection, and lasting fruit in all we do as we serve children and communities.

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