



ANTHROPOSOPHICAL COMMUNITY IN AFRICA

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OPENING MESSAGE

Dear brothers and sisters,
We welcome you into the embrace of our Anthroposophic Community in Africa. Like the drumbeat that unites dancers in the circle, may our shared rhythm of spirit and service guide us into harmony. Together, we weave wisdom from Rudolf Steiner with the ancestral voices of Africa, creating a tapestry of healing, art, and renewal. Patrick Segguja, Chairperson, Anthroposophical Community in Africa.

CHAPTER UPDATES

TANZANIA

Event Highlight: The Gifts of Africa (Sept 23rd-28th, Vikindu, 2025) was a resounding success! Over 70 participants from across Africa and the wider world joined together. We embraced anthroposophy while contextualizing it within African culture, celebrating Ubuntu as the heartbeat of our community



COMMUNITY UPDATES

Membership Milestone

We are now a family of **320 members from all corners of Africa**, with Tanzania holding the highest number. This growth reflects the living strength of our community and the spirit of Ubuntu that binds us.

New Members

We joyfully welcome sisters and brothers from Kenya, Uganda, and Namibia into our circle.

The All African Anthroposophic Training (AAAT) 2025

This took place in Namibia from August 23rd to 31st, it was a wonderful shared platform for intergenerational dialogues about Anthroposophy and letting our inner lights be radiant where members of our community met and new ones were recruited.

Training Milestone: Camphill Academy Africa took place in August 2025 in Vikindu, bringing together Camphill learning facilitators from **Camphill Otse (Botswana)**, special needs teachers from **Ubumwe Center (Rwanda)**, and the entire staff of **Mwanangu Asili Academy**. This gathering sharpened skills on how to educate and assist children with special needs—socially, academically, and spiritually—strengthening our collective mission of inclusive education



Text Study Program: Beginning January 2026, we will hold a monthly text study every **last Saturday from 19:00 to 20:00 EAT**. Together, we will study Rudolf Steiner's *Knowledge of the Higher Worlds* (1900), deepening our spiritual practice and collective understanding. We are inviting all members of the community to become part of this insightful journey.

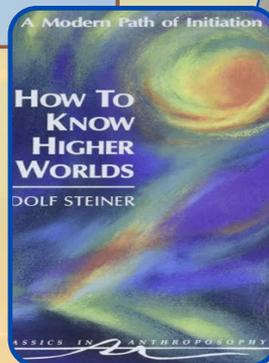
Knowledge Resource: We celebrate the establishment of the Anthroposophic Community in Africa's Physical and eLibrary, now home to a diverse catalogue of books. This library serves as a living wellspring of wisdom, offering members access to anthroposophic texts, African cultural works, and global spiritual resources—bridging tradition and modernity for study, reflection, and growth.



A collective recap of the AAAT



A photo of some members who attended the All African Anthroposophical Training in Namibia 2025.



A photo of the upcoming text study book of choice



A photo of some of our collection of books in the Library

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Our Second General Meeting

Took place in Namibia 2025 during the All African Anthroposophic Training AAAT where we discussed our shared future

Quarterly Community meetings

we are excited to soon launch the Anthroposophical Community in Africa quarterly meeting, more information coming soon.

RWANDA

Future Event: Camphill Academy Training – Module 02 will take place in **Rwanda, January 2025**. This next step in the training journey will deepen skills and strengthen collaboration among facilitators, teachers, and community leaders dedicated to supporting children with special needs.

In Rwanda we celebrated the international day for persons with disabilities with their parents and our community leaders. We also opened a new Campus in Northern part of Rwanda which will be the 1st Waldorf inclusive school in Rwanda.



UGANDA

- **Organized a biodynamic workshop in Uganda** (12th-14th Nov, 2025) hosted by Kasuku organics and community development to share the fruits of the TOT workshop that was held at khrumuk in Namibia in august (17-22), 2025.
- Trainings included; unearthing the biodynamic preparations, understanding their storage, demonstrations of the stirring, spraying of horn silica and horn manure. Sharing of the preparations with the participants. Deepening the anthroposophic knowledge in Uganda, we introduced text study from November 2025 to date.

FUTURE PLANS

- To develop a biodynamic calendar for equatorial region (**Uganda neither lies in the northern or southern hemisphere**)
- Making all biodynamic preparations and research for the alternative elements to be used in the making of preparation considering the fact that some weeds (**valerian, chamomile**), animals (**deer**) and trees(**oak**) don't grow effectively in our country and dealing in some animal products is deemed illegal and punishable by law,
- Exposure and collaborations with countries that have managed to localize bio dynamic agriculture and taken to the community.
- Engage the youth in indigenous seed preservation, multiplication, food security and safety through biodynamic practices(January 2026)

GHANA

In January 2025, we were honored to receive a visit from Janet, whose time in Ghana marked several important milestones. Her visit culminated in the opening of a new House of Hope—a dedicated facility for persons living with Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus (SBH). She also led the formal registration of the Ghana Anthroposophy Community and paid a visit to the Ghana Broadcasting Corporation (GBC), where Anthroposophy was presented on radio.

On **6 February 2025**, the House of Hope was officially opened to serve individuals and families affected by SBH across the Ashanti Region and surrounding areas. During the same period, the registration of the Ghana Anthroposophy Community was successfully completed, alongside a radio presentation. Together, these steps granted Anthroposophy official recognition in Ghana.

In March, Patrick met with biodynamic farmers Efo and Vincent at a 100-acre farmland earmarked for biodynamic farming and the future establishment of a Waldorf school. Work is currently ongoing to recruit more members to strengthen and grow the Ghana Anthroposophy Community.

GHANA

In August 2025, three members from Ghana participated in the AAAT meeting held in Namibia. Building on this engagement, Ghana submitted a bid in September 2025 to host the 2026 AAAT. We are delighted to announce that the bid was successful, and Ghana will proudly host the AAAT in 2026.

The AAAT 2026 will take place from 29 August to 5 September 2026 at Bumso Cocoa College in the Eastern Region of Ghana. The venue is set within a beautiful nature reserve, featuring a canopy walkway, zipline, cocoa farm, and rich natural surroundings. Participants will have the opportunity to experience the cocoa plant from tree to bean, enjoy the serene environment, and engage in deep reflection and meditation while connecting with nature and the cosmos.

More information about AAAT 2026 will be shared in the coming months. We warmly invite everyone to Ghana—please save the date, and we look forward to welcoming you in person in August 2026.



KENYA

We were privileged to host Vincent Dogbey Worname, a biodynamic farmer who visited us from Ghana, and whose presence marked an important turning point in our work. Vincent helped to steer us toward biodynamic farming, generously sharing his knowledge and practical experience. With his guidance, we successfully prepared our first CPP, an experience that deepened our connection to the land and strengthened our understanding of biodynamic principles. From 26th April to the last week of November, we also held an online study group on the last Saturday of every month. During these sessions, we studied *The Foundations of Human Experience* by Rudolf Steiner, engaging in thoughtful discussion and shared reflection that supported both personal growth and a deeper understanding of anthroposophical education. In addition, we met physically every Thursday in Kitale, where we studied Theosophy. These weekly gatherings created a steady rhythm of learning and fellowship. Through the physical meet-ups, we actively included members of the Kitale community, opening the space for wider participation, dialogue, and shared learning. Together, these activities—Vincent's visit, the online study group, and the weekly physical meetings—helped strengthen our study, practical work, and community engagement throughout the period.



Future Gathering: The Gifts of Africa will return in Kitale, Kenya (Sept 23rd–28th, 2026) under the theme “Deepening Our Understanding in Anthroposophy.” This gathering will continue the journey of contextualizing anthroposophy within African culture, strengthening Ubuntu, and expanding our collective wisdom.

BOTSWANA

Christian Community Priest

On 10 November 2025, we received a pastoral visit from Christian Community Priest from Randburg who led a church service during which Holy Communion was shared with the community. Following the service, the Priest met with service holders to reaffirm the importance of regular services and to discuss future plans for pastoral support.

Continental Training and Development Initiatives

The year 2025 marked a period of deepened collaboration and shared learning within the Africa network, highlighted by active participation in continental training and development programmes.

In August 2025, Camphill Botswana attended the pilot module of the Camphill Academy Afrika, hosted at Mwanangu Community in Tanzania. The programme is accredited under Camphill Academy (USA) and supported by the Centre for Anthroposophy. It brings together practitioners working in inclusive education, livelihoods, vocation, and biodynamics, with the aim of integrating anthroposophical approaches with African cultural practices.

- The pilot module was highly successful, demonstrating strong engagement and collaboration among participants. It laid a solid foundation for the continuation of the programme, with the next module scheduled for January 2026 in Rwanda.

BOTSWANA

Camphill Botswana also participated in the All-Africa Anthroposophic Training (AAAT), held from 23–30 August 2025 in Namibia. The gathering brought together individuals and communities from across the continent for shared learning, artistic exploration, and practical workshops rooted in Anthroposophy. For Camphill Botswana, this event provided a valuable opportunity to connect with other African initiatives, exchange experiences, and deepen understanding of human and social development through anthroposophical practice.

St Michael Celebration

As part of Camphill Community Trust culture, the community celebrated the Festival of St Michael on 25 September 2025. The celebration included a captivating play depicting the story of St Michael and the Dragon. This timeless narrative reminded participants of courage, faith, and the triumph of light over darkness. The community was grateful for the opportunity to celebrate this meaningful festival together and to reflect on the values it inspires within each individual and within the wider community.

ZAMBIA

We had the privilege of attending the First Gifts of Africa Conference in Tanzania, a remarkable gathering that brought together participants from many different African countries and beyond. The conference created a rich space for learning, sharing ideas, and exchanging experiences across cultures and nations. Through insightful discussions, presentations, and interactions, most gained valuable knowledge, fresh perspectives, and a deeper understanding of Africa's diverse gifts, potential, and shared challenges. It was truly an eye opening and impactful experience that strengthened connections and broadened my outlook.



GIFT OF AFRICA MEMORIES

FEATURE REFLECTION

“Healing the Land, Healing the Spirit” In Africa, the soil is sacred. When we nurture the earth, we nurture ourselves. Anthroposophy calls us to see the farm, the classroom, and the clinic as living organisms—each a vessel for spirit. Let us walk gently, plant consciously, and heal courageously.

SPOTLIGHT

we welcome any initiative, project, event, milestone to use this newsletter as a joint platform to celebrate and inform the community.

CALENDAR

- January 2025 – Camphill Academy Training, Module 02 (Rwanda)
- January 2026 – Launch of Monthly Text Study (Knowledge of the Higher Worlds)
- April 1st to 5th – Remembering our shared future: To speak from the stars
- September 23rd-28th, 2026 – Gifts of Africa Gathering (Kitale, Kenya)

“As the river flows to the ocean, so may our deeds flow to the spirit world.” May ancestors guide us, may the earth sustain us, and may our community shine as a beacon of light.”

CLOSING BLESSING

