AMAKURU GWO'KWAMUKAAGA
OBUTUMWA BWA EDITA.
Eki nekyanda mwigu. ebuguuto obwetoroire amahamba/ ebibira.
Ara.

EDITORS MESSAGE.
It is dry season dear farmers open fire lines around your groves.
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WHAT IS TIST, AND WHAT DO WE DO?

Who is TIST? We are! TIST Uganda is a community initiative empowering people, small groups of local farmers to come together to earn money and improve their land and the world by planting trees for the carbon offset market. TIST combines sustainable development with carbon sequestration.

TIST trains in best practices like Conservation Farming. TIST combats the devastating effects of deforestation by encouraging tree planting. TIST combats poverty and drought.

TIST Small Groups plant many trees to improve their land and earn money from fruit trees, fodder trees, and fertilizer trees that improve crop yields. TIST Small Groups plant indigenous trees that provide all of these benefits and improve biodiversity.

Because we are TIST, and we make TIST, TIST today also addresses other concerns we share. Today, we share training in groups on agriculture, food security and nutrition, HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention, and building of improved stoves that save us money and time, protect forests, and improve our health. TIST is international: we work with our brothers and sisters around the world, and invite our neighbors to join to create more TIST small groups in more places working for a better world.

By Hakim Bachwa

The TIST Values

We are transparent.
We are mutually accountable.
We are servants to each other.
We are TIST!

TIST TRAININGS ARE ENCOURAGING.

Meetings, seminars and workshops refresh the mind. Trainings at these gatherings give courage to us as farmers.

The places where people meet are surrounded with trees, which are essential to our well being. Flowers also give the area a pleasant look.

We are encouraged to have cluster meetings every three months in our small groups here in Rutoto. In TIST, the best practice is for groups to come together as a cluster to meet for training and sharing each month. The most important thing for us is to look after the indigenous trees and environment.

I am a cook-stove trainer. I usually tell people to build improved stoves so they can use less firewood because collection of firewood has led to the destruction of tree species, especially of indigenous trees.

Let’s always come for workshops, seminars and meetings for trainings. When we share what we know, our skills, and our experience, we will gain knowledge and courage on how to conduct ourselves in our society, how to prevent or live with HIV/AIDS, how to practice Conservation Farming, how to improve our food security and many more important issues in our lives.

By Arinaitwe Frank.

By Hakim Bachwa

The TIST Values

We are honest.
We are accurate.
A Small Group Best Practice - Develop a Covenant for Your Small Group

When a Small Group joins TIST, they agree to follow the rules and values of TIST. They agree to be Honest, Accurate, Mutually Accountable, Transparent, and Servants to each other. They promise to maintain the trees they plant for TIST for at least 30 years before harvesting them. However, because Small Groups must work together for a long time, each TIST Small Group should also have a covenant that they have agreed upon that shows how they will work together and treat each other.

Developing and living by a covenant is an important element in the life of any Small Group. To develop a covenant, the members of each Small Group should discuss and agree on a list of group values, expectations and behaviors. It is very important that the guidelines of the covenant be agreed upon and understood by everyone in the group. The group should then agree to hold themselves accountable to each other to live in community abiding by the covenant they have developed.

The whole group must generate the covenant, not one or two people. It should reflect values of openness, acceptance, accountability, confidentiality, and fellowship. For many groups, prayer may be important as well. The covenant should be specific, and make clear the logistics of attendance, leadership, and place, time and frequency of meeting. It can outline goals of the group. Each group's covenant will be unique to that group and will contain what the members of the group think are most important for the spiritual and working life of the group.

It works best to agree on the basic guidelines of the covenant at the first or second meeting of the Small Group. If your Small Group has been meeting and doesn't have a covenant yet, don't worry. Now is a good time to create one!

Covenants are based on love and loyalty and only work if all parties seek to live by the covenant guidelines. Having a covenant and abiding by it creates trust, openness and safety within the group. An important part of a Small Group's covenant is confidentiality. In order for the group to be a safe place, there must be agreement on confidentiality. Nothing that is shared within the group should be discussed with anyone outside the group without the agreement of all in the group. People will then feel confident to be more open and honest about their struggles and accomplishments in their lives.

Sarah.
TIST NIKI, KANDI NEKORA ETA?


TIST netendeka ahamiitwarize mirungi nkokuwanga norinda orweeza, okubyaza emiti omubahingi, erwanisa obworo n’ekyanda.

Ebigombe bya TIST nibihinga emiti y’enzarwa erikurugamu emigasho minghamwenokuboneza eby’obuhangwa. Ahabwokuba turiaaba TIST kandi nitukora TIST, TIST cine bingi ebiturikubaganamu. Hati nitutendekwa omukwegyesibwa obuhingi okurinda enjara, endya nungi yabaana, okurwaniisa sirimu n’akakooko kaayo, okutekyesa amahega agatikutorea enku nkye, okurinda obibira nokurinda amagara gaitu. TIST neyensi yooona kandi nitukora nabataahi baitu omunsi yooona, kandi nitwata bataahi baitu kutwegaitaho tukakora ebigombe bingi omumyanya mingi kuboneza ensi yaitu.

Nebya Hakim Bachwa.

EMISHOMO YA TIST NEETUHA AMAANI.

Enkiiko nemishomo nibigaruza busya obwongo. Okutendekwa okuturikutunga omunikiiko ezi nikugaruzamu amaani.


Ndi omushomesa yokunogoora amahega agarikutorea enku nkye. Nimpabura abantu boona kukoresa amahega aga ahakuba okushenha enku nyingi kisisire emiti yaitu namunonga ey’enzarwa.

Reka twetabe omumishomo n’enkiiko kwenda tutendekwa. Kuturikubagana ebiturikuntanya obukuguro n’ebindi, nitwija kugira okumanya kwingi kandi tumanza n’emitwarize mirungi omubyangagatyaitu, omukutuura n’okwerinda sirimu, okuhinga nokurindo orweeza, okurinda enjara nebindi bingi omumagama gaitu.

Nebya Arinaitwe Frank.

EMIKORERE YA TIST.

- Turi abamazima
- Nitukora ebitikire
- Nituheerezana ebitinisa
- Buri omwe nomuheereza w’ondijo
- Turi aba TIST.