

Kids hope books turn page for Ugandans

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Five-year-old Ruby Carmel extended her love for reading all the way to Uganda yesterday after she and her kindergarten classmates in Lincoln collected 1,000 books for children and adults there.

Smith School students packed up tales like “Are You My Mother?” by P.D. Eastman and “Snowflake Bentley” by Jacqueline Briggs Martin to give to the founder of the mobile library in Uganda, Racheal Adriko Spillberg of Providence, R.I. Spillberg visited the school yesterday to educate the eager youngsters about Africa and collect the donated books that will be passed out to five villages.

Last year, Spillberg and her husband, Richard, stuffed 1,000 books in their suitcases on their way to their homeland. That will not be possible this year. “I am hoping for a miracle,” said Spillberg about transporting the books to Africa.

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Emily Stankard and Faith McKinnon look over a book they collected to give out to poor children and adults in Uganda.