

And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick

Luke 9:2

Dear Praying Friends,

December 2016

Thank you all for your faithful prayers and support for us as we continue in the service of the Lord Jesus Christ here in Soroti, Uganda.

Ministry: I have been soulwinning in a village twenty minutes south of Soroti working specifically amongst the family of our former guard, James. After several weeks the Lord allowed us to see fruit in the salvation decisions of two teenagers, Catherine and Joyce. Joyce has already memorized verses to earn her Bible. Please pray for their spiritual growth as we arrange discipleship studies with them.

During the Christmas holiday school break the primary-aged children usually stay on the SOAP property, but this year we have permitted them to return to their villages for a six-week visit with their families. There are negative influences in these villages, please pray for safety and discernment for these children that they would use what they have learned from the Scriptures to make right and moral choices in all they do.

In November my colleagues and I continued with our monthly Bible Institute, studying through the book of Acts with local pastors and men of some of the church plants in the area. We are thankful for these men who remain faithful in their attendance traveling many miles on bicycle to study the word of God.

In our September letter I had asked for prayer for wisdom regarding ministry work in the Soroti area. One month later I was informed that an additional ministry work would be required of me. The Soroti Orphan Assistance Project houses, schools, and ministers to about twenty orphans ages six to fourteen. This project has in been existence since for over twelve years, and because of recent transitions of leadership it appears the duties of administration have been placed upon me. This was not a position I had desired, but I will trust the Lord for wisdom, discernment, and guidance as I endeavor to comprehend all the aspects of the work including the overseeing of the orphanage, school, and church.

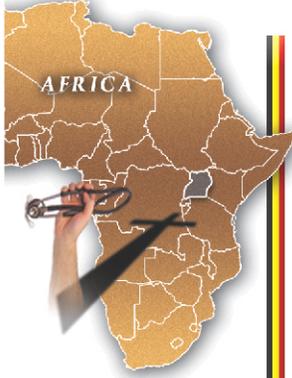
Prayer Requests:

- Wisdom and guidance in my new role at SOAP.
- Spiritual growth for believers we are discipling.
- Wisdom for the supervision of existing church plants.
- Health and safety of orphans while in their villages.

Elena and I pray that you have a blessed Christmas time, always a great time to share the Good News of Christ here in Uganda! *“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:11*

Your Fellow Servants for Souls,

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Catherine and Joyce/Catherine and her Bible