

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

*Luke 9:2*

**Dear Praying Friends,**

**June 2013**

My family and I greatly appreciate your faithful prayers and support of us as we continue to serve the Lord Jesus Christ here in Uganda.

**Language:** We continue our discipleship training in four different Kumam speaking villages teaching fourteen people. There are eighteen lessons designed to give a basic understanding of Scripture to new believers. These are done in English and Kumam, though I do use a translator when we are speaking Kumam to help with my efficiency and the comprehension of the believer, since my Kumam is still limited.

**Praises:** While soul winning in a village called Opuyo, my translator and I contacted the family of Jacqueline who we led to the Lord a couple of months ago. Several of her children were home from school and she was very anxious for us to share the Gospel with them. So, for the next two hours we went slowly and carefully through the plan of salvation, asking detailed questions to be sure they understood salvation by faith alone. Almost all Ugandans say "I am born again," but they believe that works are required to be added to their faith for salvation. When I was sure they understood, I asked if they wished to accept Christ as their Saviour, and they did! Seven children, ages six to eighteen were added to the Book of Life. Praise the Lord!

These seven new believers, and two other tribesmen, were baptized a few weeks later. We praise the Lord for the salvation of these souls and their first step of obedience, and have already begun weekly discipleship training with them.

**Life in Uganda:** As often happens here, one's day can go quite contrary to one's intended plans. Instead of my intentions to do some village visits, I was called by one of my colleagues to see his guard's pregnant wife in his village. She supposedly had had her baby, but was not doing well. When we got there mother was still very pregnant and in distress. After transporting her in the backseat of a pickup truck to the hospital, her evaluation indicated an emergency C-section. Off we all went to the OR, but the very young doctor had no one to assist him. Having my license finally approved, I pulled on a pair of scrubs and said, "I'll assist you, let's go!" The surgery revealed a ruptured uterus which took almost two hours to repair. Despite the unsterile conditions and lack of proper instruments the mother and baby were fine and I thank the Lord that all went well, and that I did not faint: not from the sight of blood, but from the lack of eating for the past seven hours before walking into the operating room. All praise to the Lord for holding me up! Pray for the young doctor's salvation, Dr. Vincent, who I witnessed to and invited to visit our Soroti church.



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**Prayer Requests:**

- \* Salvation for my father and brother: Karl and Mark.
- \* A full and uneventful recovery of Mrs. N from her C-section.
- \* Continued growth and faithfulness of our two pastors in training.
- \* To make new school contacts for our Bible Club.
- \* To locate a favorable site for our future medical clinic.

We thank you again for all you have done for us while on the mission field of Uganda! May the Lord bless you greatly!

Your Fellow Servants for Souls,

**Alan and Elena Sutphen**  
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**The Nine Kumam Baptized**