



Dear praying friends,

January 5, 2024

As we reflect on the year 2023, we are encouraged to remember all that God accomplished through us here in Uganda. Nothing that was done could have been without the faithful prayers and financial support that we have received over the past twelve months, and we are grateful! This was the first calendar year that our family started and ended the year in the same place. Since our wedding in December 2017, God has moved us to seven different locations in which we have made a home. It was a special blessing to finally be able to remain in the same location for an entire calendar year.

December was incredible! Caleb began the month by finishing the song leading course at Rwenzori Baptist College with twenty-one students completing the class. Abbey's Wednesday kids' club had a Christmas party with over twenty children in attendance and at least two children accepting Christ as their Saviour! Also, during this past month, our first visitor from the States, Caleb's sister, Emma, arrived to spend Christmas with us. Upon her arrival in the country, we visited ten different national pastors and their families to deliver clothes, toys, spiritual books, and a food basket. What an experience to see the joy on their faces as they received their special Christmas gifts! While Emma was here, we had the opportunity to spend a day in the mountain village of Muhindi. There, both Caleb and Abbey taught about marriage, Caleb spoke briefly to the choir about writing music in their language, and our entire family enjoyed sharing a meal with Pastor Zebedee and his family. Though the drive up the mountain was tedious, the drive back down the mountain was dangerous and fearful. Thankfully, we arrived back at our home safely and with little damage to our vehicle.

Back in Kasese, we delivered over thirty gift baskets and bags to hotel employees and our neighbors. Each of these baskets/bags contained food, treats, and a Bible. Please pray that these efforts will produce some fruit in 2024! We also gave each of our security guards a goat for Christmas. Culturally, this was a very special gift for them to receive. Please pray for these men, Willey and Wilington. Though we believe Willey has accepted Christ as his Savior, the salvation of Wilington is still unknown.

**The following are some specific requests for the month of January:**

- 1. Safety of Kasese District.** In the last four months, many people have been beaten or killed by the ADF rebels from Congo. These rebels are radical Muslims who have no value for human life. Though the police and military presence has increased in our area, they are unable to be everywhere at once.
- 2. Music Conference in Masaka.** Caleb will be teaching a one-week music conference in the southwestern city of Masaka. The host church is expecting over sixty pastors in attendance.

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3. **Youth Conference.** On January 20<sup>th</sup>, the church here in Kasese will be having a one-day teen conference for the youth in our community. Please pray for the hearts of the young people to be open to the preaching of God's Word.
4. **BIMU Conference.** At the end of January, the BIMU missionary families in Uganda will gather for our annual conference. Please pray for safety as many families will be traveling several hours from every part of the country to attend the conference.
5. **My father's health.** Please continue to pray for my father as he battles the many health issues he is currently facing. He has completed twenty radiation treatments and is waiting for a PET scan in March to assess the brain tumor. Though treatments for his immobility continue, there are no signs of progress.
6. **More People to Surrender to Worldwide Missions.** While the need for more laborers in North America is still very great, we also need more laborers to surrender to be used of God around the world.

Your faithful servants in Christ,  
Caleb, Abbey, and Carson Turner



Pastor Jackson and family serving in Kampala



Daughter of Pastor Elly serving in Kampala



Pastor John Bosco and family serving in Entebbe



Our security guard Willey attended the Christmas service



Wednesday Night Kids' Club



Sons of Pastor Amos serving in Kampala



Daughter of Bro. Joshua serving in Kasese



Pastor James and his wife Ritah



Pastor Pacific's wife and daughter serving in Kampala

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