



Dear praying friends,

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We praise the Lord for carrying our family safely through the recent national elections here in Uganda. Many of you faithfully prayed with us for peace and protection during this time, and we are thankful to report that the main polling day passed without major incident in our area of Fort Portal. The atmosphere was tense at times; but, despite an internet and cellular data outage for four days, the country was relatively safe. We know elections are a big part of life here, and while the presidential and most parliamentary voting took place on January 15th, some local government elections will continue over the next couple of weeks. Please keep praying for ongoing peace, wisdom for leaders, and that the Lord would use even this season to draw hearts to Himself.

A major answer to prayer this month is that we have found a promising rental property to use as the starting place for Hope Baptist Church! It is a former primary school in a good location, and we are now waiting on approval for some needed repairs before signing the contract. Our goal is to hold our very first Sunday service there sometime in February. This step feels like such a milestone after months of searching and praying. We are excited to see how the Lord will use this space to gather people for worship, preaching, and Bible teaching. Please pray that the repairs are approved quickly and affordably, and that everything lines up for a smooth start. In the meantime, we continue distributing tracts and building relationships across the city.

This month the Lord gave me opportunities to meet several hotel managers here in Fort Portal and leave them with Gospel tracts. They showed genuine interest in the message and even in the idea of starting weekly Bible studies for their employees right at the hotels. We are praying about the possibility of future services happening at these locations. Having personally checked these local hotels, we are now aware that there are some nice ones available for future visitors. We are thankful for how the Lord is widening our reach in the community.

Please pray for these specific requests:

- 1. Safety throughout Uganda as we move forward through election season.** There are still two more weeks of elections for local positions. Please pray that peace will continue.
- 2. The opening of Hope Baptist Church.** We want God's will on the timing for the official start of HBC-Fort Portal. We have submitted a repair request for a property, which will move us into the contract signing stage.
- 3. Our family.** Abbey is homeschooling Carson, who just completed his 100th day of 2nd grade. She is also doing English grammar lessons with a missionary girl in Africa via video call. Madelyn, who is soon to be eleven months, took her first steps a few days ago!
- 4. Lhukonzo Baptist Music YouTube Channel.** Please pray that God would give the strength needed to Bro. Mumbere Joshua as he continues to translate and record Godly music in the Lhukonzo language. Feel free to give the channel a "subscribe."
- 5. More people to surrender to worldwide missions.** The need for more laborers to surrender to be used by God around the world is great.

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

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