

JANUARY 2019



Dear Friends,

'Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught and overflowing with thankfulness.' Col. 2:6, 7

Happy New Year! We have been glad to have a bit of rest over the Christmas holidays. Also very happy to have Joy with us.

Preacher's Training Course (PTC)

Andrew's brother, Rodney, enjoyed his time of teaching in September. He would like to come again, but it may be some years in the future as his work as a pastor keeps him busy.



This month we finished teaching three of our PTC's. We had 153 people receiving certificates (see photo). We have been very impressed with how our students have developed over the course of the training. At the beginning they were hard to teach because they were not used to studying, but by the end they did not want us to stop. We thank God for what he has done!

Andrew and Rev Kim returned to Nyumanzi in October to teach 1 Timothy and Preaching. The number of students there continues to increase and they are very keen to learn. We are halfway in this programme; three more teachings remain. We need more translators for a number of languages; please pray that suitable people can be found.

Dinka Bible

We have distributed most of the Dinka Bor NT's. We do not have any plans to get more as we are waiting for the whole Bible to become available. We have heard that the first draft of the Dinka Bor OT was finished in June 2017; please pray that the full Dinka Bor Bible will become available soon. We have received 500 Dinka Bor hymn and prayer books. They were all gone within a month. Please pray that we can get more to meet the demand.

Nebbi Diocese

In October and November Andrew was able to teach most of the serving church teachers in Nebbi Diocese. He taught on the letter of James in each of the four archdeaconries. Attendance was very good and a total of around 270 church teachers enjoyed the teaching. Please pray that new teaching material will be able to be translated into Alur for another time of teaching.

Bidi Bidi/Yumbe

In October Andrew was able to teach the church teachers and some of the pastors in Aringa Archdeaconry. He also visited Bidi Bidi refugee camp, this time with Rev Paul Kim and his wife. We had a good meeting with a number of church leaders there. There are many tribes in this camp so we were advised that teaching should be done in Arabic. However, while most refugees there can understand spoken Arabic, very few can read it. Therefore, we were told that any teaching material should be in the Bari language as this would cover the majority of our potential students. We thank God that Andrew has been able to find two translators already working on the teaching material.

We have had a meeting with the bishop of Madi and West Nile Diocese. He was happy to give us land in the Aringa Archdeaconry compound, Yumbe, so that we can build our own house (*see photo*). This compound is less than 10km from Bidi Bidi camp. There are no suitable houses for rent in Yumbe town. Andrew also had a meeting in January to arrange the building of our house; official plans are being drawn and we hope to start building in March. Our plan is that once our house is ready (hopefully by June) Andrew will be able to start Preacher Training Courses in two areas of Bidi Bidi camp.



Health Centre

We thank God that the 10 new staff houses have been completed and are fully occupied. We continue to wait for the ambulance; please pray that it will come soon. Dr. Hwang will come for another surgical clinic in February, in Yumbe.

We thank God that while the five health units in Nebbi Diocese are struggling they are all financially viable at the moment. Padwot Health Centre needs a new children's ward with capacity for 30 beds. Please pray that God will provide the necessary funds (\$40000).

Each church in the diocese has a health team, but they are not well trained. Eunice hopes to train them in public health care. Pray for wisdom that she will know how to go about this task.

Personal Reflections

Andrew will go to UK for six weeks in February and March. He is already booked for a different church every Sunday. Please pray that God will help him to convey what God is doing through us. Please pray for Eunice as she will be alone in Goli during this time.

Andrew, Eunice & Joy Moody

Praise Points

- That three PTC's have finished well.
- That 10 new staff houses are finished.
- That we have been given land to build a house in Yumbe.

Prayer Points

- That there would be real lasting peace in South Sudan.
- That we will find suitable translators.
- That Andrew would have a beneficial time in the UK.
- That the ambulance and Andrew's car will be ready soon.

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Please pray that God will help Andrew to convey what God is doing through us.

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