

FILLING HIS NETS MINISTRY

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Have you ever helped pack a missionary barrel? What is a missionary barrel? some of you may ask. Usually it is a collection of things that people do not need or want anymore. To the naked or poor, the things in a missionary barrel are better than nothing. Now suppose we had the opportunity to appear before the White House to present our president with a gift. What would we take him? Something from the missionary barrel? Absolutely not! We would take him something we treasured, something we hoped he would prize. Yet the gift for the mission field is, in essence, a gift for the Lord, a gift for the furtherance of His Kingdom. And the gift for our president? Well, it's a gift for the president. The latter gift gets the praise and recognition of men; the former, the praise and recognition of God.

"But when you present the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? And when you present the lame and sick, is it not evil? Why not offer it to your governor? Would he be pleased with you? Or would he receive you kindly?" says the Lord of hosts in Malachi 1:8"

And what do you give to God: *of your time?* Does He get the first hours of the day or the last few sleepy moments? *Of your talents and gifts, and abilities?* Are they all spent in your pursuit of the pride of life or on the things that have no eternal value whatsoever? *Of your possessions?* Does your gift come off the top or do you give whatever is left over after your desires are met? *Of your service?* Do you work as unto Him or for personal praise and recognition? What are you packing in God's missionary barrel? What are you giving Him? Your leftovers or your best? "*Kay Arthur: Beloved From God's Heart to Yours'*"

Reading the above devotion from Kay Arthur's book, I was thinking about the clothes that Heart To Hand has received. Yes, several of the clothes had to be dumped in the rubbish pile but so many of the clothes that we received has been put on the floor and sold. We thank each of you who have donated clothes, furniture, shoes, and miscellaneous items to help Heart To Hand become a success. Since we opened in October, we have been able to double the amount of funds sent to Uganda. We praise God for his mighty works!

UGANDA NEWS

Embracing The Children

The children recently received their new shoes. We asked for black shoes to match their uniforms and many of the children received tennis shoes. This is perfectly okay. At least they have shoes and will not get jiggers during the dry season. For those of who who sponsor a child, you should have received a picture of your child with their new shoes. Continue to pray for your child as they battle sickness and diseases that they may grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ as their Lord.

We have increased another grade level for the year 2007 at Trace Creek Baptist Mission. Trace Creek now has 545 students attending the school. Filling His Nets is currently feeding over 1,000 children a day; breakfast consisting of hot porridge with sugar added for sweetness and lunch consisting of beans and posho (a corn flour mush with consistency of mashed potatoes).

Mission Churches and Schools

The eco-friendly toilet at Trace Creek Baptist Mission is near completion. Nicholas Kafumbe, Filling His Nets general contractor, is a hard worker and has completed both of the two toilets. The toilets are like thrones. These are the biggest toilets the village has ever seen. These toilets uses urine and feces as valuable resources for recycling.

- v *Eco-toilets are built above the ground with two chambers beneath the pan collecting fecal matter*
- v *Urine is diverted and let out into to a pit*
- v *Eco-toilets don't smell because feces is covered with ash which dehydrates and deodorises it*
- v *Urine and feces are treated separately because of the volume produced. When the amount of fecal matter is dehydrated, it is only about one matchbox full. Hence, the fecal matter chamber needs to be emptied only once a year or so, by which time it is reduced to powdery manure.*

Busowobi Baptist Mission soon to be Poplar Spring Baptist Mission is growing. The church and school has seen an increase in attendance. Pastor Fred Musisi is doing a wonderful job as shepherd. The school at the mission is now growing at 240 students. Sedalia Baptist Mission is doing very well. Daniel Taligoola, who has worked with Filling His Nets for 4 years now is pastoring there for the time being. The school at the mission has now around 85 students from Nursery to P-1. The rest of the students go to Trace Creek Baptist Mission where we have grades from Nursery to P-6.

Olive Branch Missionary Baptist Mission in Munyonyi Village is still proceeding forward. The pastor there Pastor Grissom is doing an exceptional job for the mission. There are around 70 students at this mission. When Richard returns to Uganda, progress will start on the building of the new mission church in this village. The borehole is pumping water for the village and everyone is glad to have good safe drinking water.

Enon Baptist Mission is still going strong. This mission is right in the middle of Muslim community. The pastor there and the congregation are doing well. The school has around 55 students who attend at Nursery and P-1.

Miscellaneous News

We received word from our lawyer in Kampala that Mr. Ali Abud, the man who took our rent money for 2006 and never finished the rental house, has paid approximately \$5500. There is still a balance of \$4500 and since he has defaulted on his contract with the court, his house will be put up for auction. Something that is unheard of in Uganda. We will take this money and build the church at Olive Branch Missionary Baptist Mission in Munyonyi Village.

Update on Richard:

Richard's blood is beginning to get back to normal. The doctors in Paducah will not release him to fly in an airplane until they have his blood to the consistency they would like for it to be. Please continue to pray for Richard as he is eager to return to the work in Uganda and the people are missing him and us so much. We do have a wonderful Ugandan man and his American wife who are helping us with the financial part of sending money to Uganda and they are distributing out the funds with transactions we send them. Their names are John and Deidrah Kirya. Their ministry is Answering For The Children. Please pray for them also. Richard is praying for the doctor's to release him so he can fly out around the last of March, first of April 2007.

As you can see that there is still so much to do. Seeds have been planted and Filling His Nets is watering those seeds. We continue to ask for your prayers and your financial support. We have seen what God is doing. Not just once. Not even twice, but time after time he has shown Himself faithful in this ministry we share in Uganda. Some share through giving (our gratitude belongs to you), some through coming on a mission trip (our appreciation is yours), and many through interceding for us (from our hearts to yours, thank you so much).

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