

December 22, 2025

Dear Supporters of the Gardner family,

This past Friday, we received a call from Uganda that Matthew and Savannah Gardner and their two boys, who serve in Soroti, Uganda, had been in an accident while in the capital city of Kampala. As the Gardners were traveling on one of the main streets, a train crossed the main road and hit their vehicle. Savannah, Matthew's wife, went to Heaven instantly. Miraculously, the two sons are completely fine. Matthew sustained internal injuries but is now released from the hospital and is on the road to recovery. Please pray for Matthew to heal quickly and pray for the two sons, Jedidiah (age 4) and Mason (1-year-old). We are grateful for the loving group of BIMI Africa missionaries there who are helping them at this time.

Savannah was an exceptional missionary lady who loved her calling and loved her Lord. She will be remembered by her quick, cheerful smile, her devotion to her husband and sons, and her joyful commitment to serving God in Africa.

By the time you receive this letter, Matthew and the boys will be back in the States and I will be there in Uganda to help with the finalization of paperwork and transporting Savannah back to the States.

Although we are grieved beyond words, we know that even in this, God is faithful and loving and we trust His Sovereignty and pray for His grace and His peace for Matthew and the family.

Thank you so very much for being their financial supporter and prayer partner, especially during this difficult time. Although we are uncertain what the future holds, I know you will be praying fervently for this family as they grieve the loss of their wife and mother. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me by email ([AfricaDirector@bimi.org](mailto:AfricaDirector@bimi.org)) or phone (615-631-0628).

Your co-laborer for Africa,



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