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Answered Prayers!

In my last prayer letter, I asked you to pray for peace for upcoming Uganda presidential elections in January of 2026. The internet was only cut off for some days, and although there were some people killed in scattered protests around the country, the country as a whole was peaceful and is still peaceful. So, even though it was a week later than usual, schools were allowed to start this week, February 9. We have taken around 20 or more new orphans this year. Some are older children who have never been to school. The ages in our primary level 1 class range from around 6 years old to early teens, most do not even know the alphabet! Please pray for our new 2026 school year that all our orphans will adjust well.

Thank you for praying for our P7 children who took the PLE; they all passed and three passed very well. Also our orphans we support in local secondary schools, who took the secondary level 4 exam, all passed, some with "distinction." Please pray they will all seek God's will for the next step in their lives.

I also requested prayer for my health. My psoriasis is so bad that I have to take methotrexate which reduces my immune system. At the end of the school year, I caught a cough and cold that was going around and it developed into pneumonia. I was sick and recovering the whole school break. I am not back to full strength yet, but was able to start school by teaching my classes this week. My specific prayer is that God will clear up the psoriasis so that I can go off of methotrexate and not be so vulnerable to catching what I am exposed to. The children always come back to school with colds and other viruses.

Finally, I have some very sad news. One of our team members here in Soroti died in a tragic vehicle accident the week before Christmas. You will remember that I serve with a team of wonderful BIMBI church planting missionaries here in Uganda. We have three single ladies: Sarah Shadrick, Debbie Guimon and me. Then we have two married couples: Alan and Elena Sutphen (Alan is our director) and Matthew and Savannah Gardner (they have two children: Jedidiah, 4 years and Mason, 1 year). The Gardners were in Kampala the week before Christmas and their vehicle was hit by a train. Matt had minor injuries and the children had none, but Savannah was killed instantly as the train hit her car door. Her body was taken to the States for burial. Please pray for Matthew and the children and their extended family for comfort and guidance for future ministry. Pray for our Uganda church and school family for comfort. Thank you for your prayers.

God hears and answers!

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Psalm 116:15