



Lawrence and Rebecca, Naomi, Hannah, Daniel, Lydia, Martha, Luke (by age)

The Lantz Family Uganda

Africa

"The Gospel is good news only to those who hear it in time."

March 2018

I apologize for the lateness of this prayer letter. Here are recent happenings:

God's Faithful Hand on the Church

We have returned safely back to Uganda and praise God that the church members had continued faithfully in our absence. Virtually all the members remained and there was unity, peace and no problems. Hallelujah!

Our Family's Health

Our family's health has really taken a beating the last two months. It started when our oldest, Naomi, was rushed to the ER on Christmas Day with a 104 fever that wouldn't come down. She ended up with pneumonia, but recovered enough to return back to college in January. Our second daughter, Hannah, then caught the same flu after she returned to college, ending up in the hospital overnight to overcome her pneumonia. Each of the other children have come down with the same flu throughout the next month. Even I, Lawrence, caught it and ended up with a cough that lasted for weeks. But we have turned the corner now, and are finally feeling healthy and strong again.

Conference on Prayer

On March 9, 10, 11 we are hosting a large conference on prayer and revival. We hope to inspire and encourage concerted prayer for our region. We are looking forward to God changing the spiritual atmosphere of the whole county. I will do most of the preaching with other Ugandan Baptist pastors helping out if my voice fails. Many people have been invited from across the county. Some will be traveling on foot, on motorcycle and on taxis. They will come with bedding and drinking cups. Our church will do all the cooking, and huge bags of cornmeal and beans have been purchased. Our church will enjoy our first ever nighttime services with the help of a handy generator. Women and children will sleep in our church building and the men will sleep in a high school building that adjoins our property. I think some of the attenders plan to pray all night on Saturday. With all of the visitors in attendance we will be sure to preach the gospel. Please pray for the decisions that will be made and for God to soften the hearts of both the Christians and the lost in the region.

Answers to Prayer:

- ◆ We received all of our luggage except for one when we arrived at the airport in Uganda. The one missing piece was delivered to us two days later by the airline. PTL that all arrived and we had no problems with customs!
- ◆ The temperature was very hot for our first month back, but God sent the rains and cooler temps early this year!
- ◆ We are still waiting on the Ugandan Immigration—but were able to get temporary visas in the meantime.
- ◆ It has taken some time to settled back into our home. Our house needed some minor repairs that we are slowly working on as time allows. Our adjustment without our older three children has also taken some time, but God is good!

Prayer Requests:

- ◆ for decisions made at the conference to be fruitful
- ◆ for continued growth of our church and members
- ◆ for new open doors in the community
- ◆ Revival in our district
- ◆ for the rains to continue so there is a good harvest—it is really needed after the famine last year