



South Sudan African Mission

25 Years of Service to the People of South Sudan, 1988 - 2013

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AWEIL REPORT FOR JANUARY TO APRIL 2013

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Greetings to you all in the name of our almighty God.

The work of the ministry is progressing well and your visit to Aweil churches in January 2013 was a great motivation with lots of encouragement. Many people have been coming daily after your visit in our various Aweil churches to give their testimonies and others giving their lives to Jesus as their Lord and Savior of their life, resulting in more repentance and baptism in the churches.

There are many new Christians attending the Bible studies to know about Jesus after baptism and before baptism. All the evangelists are engaged with leading and building new believers faith in Christ. The evangelists are more engaged with energy at the Church's teaching the word of God and giving counseling to those who have a broken hearts and your visit played a big role. Everyone is refreshed and focused working as a team.

The church is growing well in Aweil, and what we need is prayers for God to provide and enable our evangelists to get full support which will enable them work better and more effectively in the mission.

Thanks for your observation on communication challenges we are facing and lack of network among evangelists.

We also need to encourage the Ox-plow project to enable our evangelists to be self-reliant. The church needs to create more projects for our evangelists and the congregations so they will be able to support their families, churches and the communities as is in most cases all eyes are on them. In the future SSAM will not provide salaries to all evangelists in South Sudan. These farming projects were not proposed by the evangelists but the idea was collected from Christian communities in Aweil and South Sudan as well many proposing the same. After prayers we believe it's the best project for the church and the community.

BREAD OF LIFE PROJECT (Ox-Plow)

We give our appreciation to Christian brothers and sisters who donated funds to buy oxen and plows. We bought the seeds which helped most of the returnees who came from Khartoum empty handed and had nothing or anywhere to start. This was the great means of evangelism and they testified to many.

Glory to God as we received rain the beginning of May 2013 and the oxen are busy pulling the plows at farms. We request the project be enlarged or extended so that it can cover most of the churches in Aweil area. Each team has two bulls and four



Oxen purchased by the Bread of Life Project preparing the field for planting

young men are our training committee: Deng Majok , Mayom Anyier, Ayok Manut and Mayuat Atak. The time for training was short because of delayed funds but they did the best in providing required basic training as more is being learned as the project continues. In the future, we will plan earlier to request the funds for plows and oxen so that the training period can be completed in good time and done adequately.



Plows ready to be distributed to evangelists to be used in their village

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Miscellaneous News

Thank you to Marion Church of Christ, Fridley Church of Christ, Countryside Church in Owatonna, Bemidji Church of Christ, Concord Church of Christ and Kasson Church of Christ for allowing Bev to come and give a SSAM presentation the last part of April and the first part of May. Because southern Minnesota received 14+ inches of snow in one day, we had to cancel the presentation at the Austin Church of Christ.

June 25-30 South Sudan African Mission will be at the Oregon Christian Convention in Turner, OR.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

25 YEARS IN REVIEW

Since we have focused on the Bread of Life Ox Plow Project in this month's newsletter, we thought it fitting that we should take you back ten years to how and why the Bread of Life Project started.

Taken in part from the April 2003 SAM newsletter

"For a year Kuac has had the Bread of Life Project upon his heart. The (South) Sudanese people have been beat upon and need some help building self-esteem into their lives. They need vast amounts of food.

Two years ago Kuac ventured off 1,000 miles to Uganda, a country bordering southwest Sudan. There he worked with farmers who plowed with oxen. This was something strange to the way Kuac's family had farmed. In an attempt to win the farmers to Christ, he worked beside them but he was the one who did some learning. As he worked with the farmers he learned how to train a young, well developed oxen to obey when he was yoked to a plow. This technique has not been introduced to South Sudan. For centuries the Sudanese women had spaded up a small piece of ground for her family.

Kuac knew his father and mother had worked hard and yet nearly starved to death. He returned to Nairobi to tell Paul what he had learned and what was upon his heart to serve his people while teaching them the Gospel.

Kuac asked for eighty plows but SAM could only send him funds to fly ten plows to Aweil. In March 2003, Kuac took ten plows, corn and sorghum seed to get fifty families started growing their own food."

Kuac is no longer working with the South Sudan African Mission but has taken a job working for the South Sudan government. Kuac lives in Aweil and teaches a few classes at the Aweil Bible College.

With \$360 South Sudan African Mission is able to purchase a plow and the seed for one family. The funds also cover the wages of the team who teaches the farmers how to use the

plow. Since the Bread of Life Plow Project has been introduced, the South Sudanese have seen a seven fold increase in their crop yield. One plow has the potential to feed 40 people. Because of contributors all over the United States, to date hundreds of plows have been sent into South Sudan but there is still a need for additional plows. Several send \$30 each month and in a year they have given enough money to buy one plow.



A recent baptism

DRILLING WELL AT MALUAL BAI CHURCH

The Christians at Malual bai church are praising God for the well drilled from the funds received from the Christian family in America. When people in South Sudan needed water, they gave and we can now drink from the well. The entire community is actually praising God for the well drilled as before there used to be no clean water resulting in many water borne diseases and other related sicknesses which are no more. (Yournew sent pictures of people drinking from the well but the quality of the pictures was so poor, they were unable to be used in the newsletter. Hopefully, we will have pictures in a future newsletter.)