

South Sudan African Mission

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FIRST CONFERENCE CALL TO MALEK, SOUTH SUDAN

Communication with our partners in South Sudan has been a chronic problem. The days of posting letters that take weeks to arrive, or going to the nearest city to book a phone call and waiting for the operator to call back hours later are long gone. Even the days of waiting for a certain satellite to pass overhead or climbing a tree to get a signal are gone! Last Saturday morning, August 5th, we were able to receive a call from South Sudan (no charge to them or us) and we (Bev Campbell and Steve Holsinger) got to spend about an hour talking with Dr. John, Joseph, Angelo and Ezra. They sat around a cell phone on "speaker" in Malek and Bev and I did the same in Gresham. For the most part, the call was clear and understandable.

Some of the highlights:

The situation with civil unrest is more stable and fewer people are leaving the area.

Malek Christian Hospital has been treating 300 people per day, primarily because of an outbreak of Malaria (It is the rainy seasons now). Dr. John is trying to secure a better, less expensive source of medicine, either from Nairobi or Juba.

The Aweil Bible College has 30 students this term, including three women. Angelo, Daniel, and Ezra are teaching Bible Study Methods, English, How to Write a Report, Personal Development (Discipleship), The Book of Acts and Leadership.

Many people have received food because of the "extra" (above our usual budget amount) funds SSAM sent. Thank you for your generous contributions and many lives have been saved.

The office and church building in Aweil Town are being completed.

Yournew is very busy leading the State as governor, but he has been helpful in transitioning the leadership of the mission to Dr. John and the indigenous board of directors, including Angelo, Joseph and Ezra.

Peter Gatdet and Santino Makal are in Juba because of fighting in Malakal and Bentiu. They have teamed up to establish a new congregation, which is growing steadily. Their families are in Kenya, waiting for the conflict to die down.

They all expressed gratitude for your love and prayers, and we were able to pray for them and with them. We plan to have a conference call once a month in addition to e-mail and social media contact. Praise God for continually improving technology!

UPDATE ON "EXPAND"

I have been reminded over the last few days of the amazing people God calls to become partners in our mission to South Sudan. A couple with a daughter starting college and a new house under construction recently gave \$3000 and pledged to give \$7000 more over the next year. They want to help us **EXPAND**. EXPAND is a plan to raise an additional \$100,000.00 to expand our influence in South Sudan by purchasing land in Juba and establishing a Bible school in Maiwut County. A lady in Molalla, OR, decided to help by doing a garage sale. She donated more than a thousand dollars! Another lady from Pennsylvania sent \$645 with "EXPAND" in the memo line. The youth group from The Christian Church in Saint Helens, OR raised \$5500,00 for a well in Apada. They did pie socials and a spaghetti feed. Their funds will be combined with a gift from the Poor Box ministry at Faith Christian Community in Anchorage, Alaska. Faith has an offering box at the front of their auditorium with a sign that says, "remember the poor." Money from the box is used to meet pressing needs all over the world. God allows South Sudan African Mission to partner with some of the greatest people in the world, and we are very grateful to Him and to all of you! What is God prompting you to do to help EXPAND His kingdom?



Some of the youth from St. Helens, OR with their leader presenting their check to SSAM

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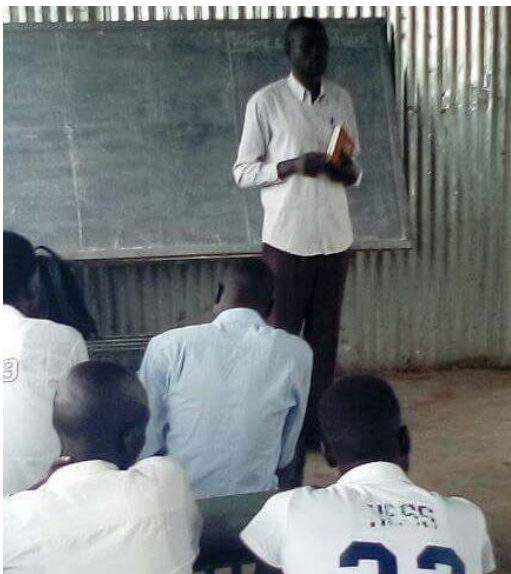
PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISES

- Dr. John, Ezra, Angelo and Joseph as they lead the mission in South Sudan.
- The 30 Aweil Bible College students and their teachers.
- Governor Yournew as he leads Aweil State.
- Santino and Peter and the work in Juba.
- Funds to EXPAND
- Praise for the funds already received for EXPA

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Paulino with Deng, son of Paula and the late Cornelius.



The church meeting in Juba, South Sudan

Dear Bev and Steve:

I would like to inform you that I have started my exams this week and will be finished next week. I will be leaving for Juba and will be back in January to resume classes. I wish you well brother and sister in Christ's services.

This year we have inaugurated a Sunday school in loving memory of Mother Marilyn Douglass and the school is called "Marilyn Douglass Primary School" Chelkou Church of Christ. Graduates of ABC will be employed to teach in the school and help plant churches in each community. Upon my academic completion, I will be starting two other self-supporting schools. One will be in Aweil Town, one in Juba and later one in Wau. Church planting will be coordinated with the establishment of the schools.

And Thanks
Paulino Malou Bol

Dear Bev and Steve:

May Almighty God bless you abundantly. I'm in Juba and I have communicated with our local evangelists. Our local congregation in Malakal is progressing well.

Since I came from Nairobi, Peter and I have been engaged with our church members. Some were here in Juba and some came from Ayolo refugee camp.

After we nurture this congregation and it is established fully I will visit Malakal and our congregation there.

Yours in Christ, Santino

WHERE WILL SSAM BE?
Sept. 10 a.m. – Mountainview Church, Westminster, CO
Sept. 10 p.m. – Loveland, CO Church of Christ (Roosevelt Ave.)
Sept 11 p.m. – Ladies Bible Study devotional, Loveland, CO
Sept. 15 & 16 – Ladies Retreat near Sisters, OR
Sept. 24 a.m. Concord, MN Church of Christ
Oct. 22 a.m. & p.m. – Northland Christian Church, Kansas City, MO