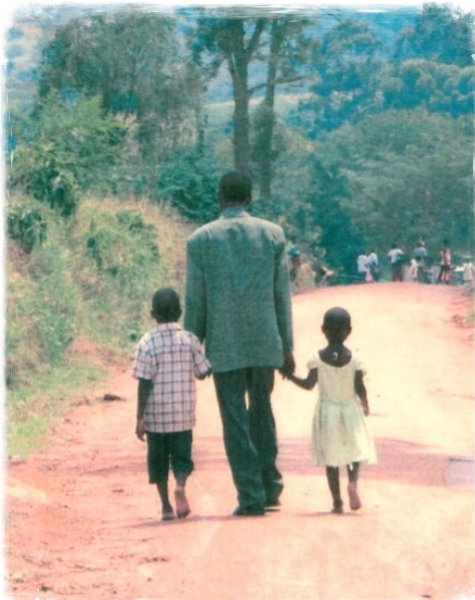


May our hearts be filled with thanks+giving!

Those of you who have recently read into the OT long enough to get to the 15th Chapter of Exodus may have noticed that one of the first ways God identifies Himself to His Hebrew adoptees is: ***"I am the LORD who heals you."*** This is one of many evidences of the presence of God's Son to the Hebrews, long before He was born to Mary; in fact, even before Israel became Israel! As Paul points out in his letter to the Corinthians 10:4, the children of Israel all were given spiritual sustenance while they were wandering in the wilderness, "for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that rock was Christ." We too drink water from the rock!

The Healing of Rev. James and Brenda Schuyler



Our *greatest* Friend, the Son of God who Heals, has done it again! Two very important members of the Kibbuse community – our dear friend, Kibbuse Executive Director Rev. James Joloba Adyeri (*left, one of our favorite photos of Rev. Adyeri, leading children home from Church in 2010*), and founding FOK Board Member Brenda Lee Schuyler (*right, with husband Bob, after discharge from open-heart surgical rehab*) – are very much on the mend; and we hope, wherever you are, that you will join us in thanksgiving to God for the great physical healing that has been done and is still being done in their lives.



Rev. James, as you know, suffered a major closed-head injury last February, in a motorcycle accident. The struggle back to health has been arduous and long, but through patience, faith, the love of God and of his family, Rev. James is on what we hope is the last leg of the journey to regaining full vision and balance. Brenda is recovering from COVID-19 (in August) and open-heart surgery just six weeks ago, and is also on the last leg of her journey toward renewed strength and mobility. At the end of October, Rev. James' physicians assured him that the medications are working and that the damage to his left eye is slowly mending, and that there are good signs that the dizziness that has persisted will eventually go away. Similarly, last week, Brenda's surgeon, Dr. Edward Murphy of the Meijer Heart Center here in Grand Rapids, declared her "ahead of schedule" in the healing process, and happily told us we would not need to see him again! When we thanked him for his wonderful work, he quietly held up his hand and said, "Let the glory go to God."

All through the long sequence of healing, including a number of ups and downs, God has sustained the Joloba and Schuyler families through the wonderful ministry of the Holy Spirit, working through friends, family and medical professionals. There has been a steady flow of communications to keep Rev. James and Brenda, along with their care givers, apprised of needs and progress, as well as of words of encouragement, advice and inspiration via cards, letters and emails! God is truly good ALL THE TIME, and all the time, GOD IS GREAT! And He has worked wonders for us through people like you! Wow!

The Vocational Center and the Clinic

As you know from our recent newsletter, everything has been in "slow motion" (in Uganda, they say, "mpula, mpula")

because of the two major takedowns of the last two years; first, the COVID epidemic, which shut down all schools and limited access to clinics for a year; second, Rev. James' accident, which has put him out of commission for eight months. He still has some healing to do before he will be cleared to drive the Subaru mini-SUV you provided through your donations to FOK, but the automobile is already doing much good by keeping him and anyone else in his family off motorcycles as they take him to doctors appointments and go out to buy food and other household supplies. Thank you!

EBOLA, the new threat

As many of you have heard or read in the news, there has been an Ebola outbreak which started in Mubende District, the border of which is just fifteen miles from the Good Samaritan Clinic and twenty-five miles from Nyarmarwa. Because Mubende is Kibbuse's major shopping and supplying destination for everything from stationary to bulk beans and maize, and is on the only main road to Mityana (where Rev. James lives) and to Kampala, where all medical supplies are found, both the School and the Clinic have been faced with difficulties of many kinds. Rev. James, first because of his injuries and now because of Ebola, has not been able to travel to Nyarmarwa since March!

KVTC - 22 to take National Exams

Thankfully, work has gone forward regardless of these problems. A group of 22 students have been registered to take their national exams, and will travel to the testing center in Mubende later this week. This has been made possible only because KVTC Principal Richard Mugume's Administrative Assistant, Stella Nabitosi was able to secure special permission from the Uganda Department of Education for the group to cross into Mubende, a border which is closed to most non-essential traffic. In Uganda, where health standards are rigorously enforced by the authorities, Ms. Nabitosi's work is a bureaucratic miracle!

GSC - Nearly 1,000 Served in October!

The Good Samaritan Clinic continues to grow in its service to the Nyamarwa Subcounty Kabasara region. In October, nearly 1,000 people were treated for illnesses, counseled or immunized, the highest monthly number since the clinic reopened (post-COVID) a year ago last April. However, they have lost their second cashier just two weeks ago. She only served two months and resigned because the pay was too low. The Clinic is still totally dependent on contributions to pay salaries. Income from patients is only covering the costs of supplies and medications, so for the near future, your contributions to the "CLINIC SALARIES FUND" are VERY important. Thank you!

FAITHFUL BROTHERS – Peter Mali and George Tusabomu

We ask that prayers of thanksgiving, along with requests for God's continued favor, be lifted up for Kibbuse Foundation Board members George Willy Tusabomu and Peter Mali, who have worked tirelessly, on top of their regular professional responsibilities (George is Planning Director for Kibaale District and Peter has just been promoted as Auditor in the National Finance Office), to offset the loss of Rev. James' leadership during his healing process the past eight months. They have truly laid down their lives on behalf of their injured friend and have gone many extra miles to sustain the work of the Kibbuse Foundation. We honor them in the name of the Lord.

Next trip to Uganda

Lord willing, our next trip to Uganda will be June of 2023.

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