

News Updates from Sandy

“Let your roots grow down into him
and draw up nourishment from him.
See that you go on growing in the Lord,
and become strong and vigorous in the truth you were taught.
Let your lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving
for all he has done. “

Colossians 2:7 (LB)



Dear Praying Family & Friends,

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Although I am not in Doro, I am often in contact with my missionary colleagues and Sudanese pastors & Believers. The Deep Roots Bookstore & Library continue to minister to those who are wanting to purchase a Bible or to spend several hours reading (Christian Living or Bible research books). Many young men who are regular attenders thank us for this opportunity to read and study & are always asking us to bring in more books! I am thrilled to hear this! There is now a weekly Ladies craft & Bible study on the bookstore compound for both Christian & non-Christian ladies. This is led by a SIM missionary lady. Also, Bible seminars continue to be held in the large library building as well. I am really encouraged to hear this news.

Years ago, during the past civil war, many families fled to Ethiopia for the safety of their children. While they were there, primary & secondary schools were opened in these refugee camps. Now, many of them have returned. Due to South Sudan struggling with a food & financial crisis in the country due to the Sudan war in the north, these young people are realizing that there are very few jobs available. And so, many of them are frustrated, restless & becoming angry. There is a sense of hopelessness amongst them. At this time, there is a concerted effort being made by SIM missionaries to reach out to the Christian Mabaan (tribe) youth. They are meeting with church youth leaders, teaching them how to study the Bible & how to lead Bible studies. There is a spiritual hunger to learn more from God's Word, but there are few leaders who will teach them.



As more youth Bible studies are starting, there are requests for SIM to bring in more Bibles. Through my ministry funds, I have been able to purchase Mabaan Bibles from the Bible Society in Juba (capital city) and had them transported via cargo plane to Doro. These Christian youth have learned to read their Mabaan language & so they all want a Mabaan Bible for themselves. Thank you so much for your generous financial gifts to me that enabled me to do this! Recently, I received news that the Juba Bible Society might not have any more Mabaan Bibles. At this time, I am making enquires. Please pray that there are more Bibles available for us to purchase as more youth are asking for them. Pray that through these youth Bible studies, the Lord would deepen their faith & raise up the next generation of godly church leaders.

My 2-month Sabbatical in the UK was quite restful for me. I found a place to stay in Exeter, south of London in Devon. It was so beautiful with loads of places to just walk. While I was there, I met with counselors at High Meadow in Exeter for debriefing & counselling. They helped me to process a few of the life challenging events that I experienced while living in South Sudan (fighting, floods, plane crash & daily living). I was so blessed through Mark & Jennifer Snelling's ministry to me. God is so good! Also, I was able to visit good friends & supporters in Cardiff, Wales & Glasgow, Scotland.



I returned to Canada (Toronto) the 3rd week of June for meetings with SIM Canada & visiting my dear relatives in St. Catharines. I arrived in BC on June 30, and have settled into my own apartment in Campbell River. I feel really loved & blessed by my sister & brother-in-law (Mark & Heather) who found this apartment & had kept a lot of my mom's furniture & kitchen supplies for me. I am now on Home Assignment for the next 6 months and wanting to come to visit you all. My email address remains the same: sandy.ewan@sim.org. My new phone number is: 250-895-3413.

In early October, I will be meeting with SIM Canada to discuss my next steps in ministry. I would kindly ask you to pray about this with me. Thank you so much.

Bye for now. Hope you see you all soon.

In the Joy of Serving Jesus,

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