

## **October 2007 Report**

Greetings to the body of Christ in general and to those who labor in the Lord day and night in particular.

The Most High God has remained faithful to us here in Uganda. Our nation is blest to host Common Wealth meeting in which over 50 heads of State will fly into the country, eat our foods and drink our waters, sleep in our hotels, visit sites and others for over a week. The queen of England will be the chief guest during this meeting that will take place in November. To Ugandans, this is a land mark, and an event of memory. Lots of work is going on. Repairs, road developments, hotels are being rebuilt, tourist sites are very busy.

On the contrary, the country still has to be healed of flood epidemic that hit East and North of Uganda. These floods caused untold havoc. Many lives were lost, homes were destroyed and roads over flooded, bridges swept. The story is long and hard to narrate. The effect of the flood has left a big impact - famine, disease and poverty will worsen. Please pray for our country.

### **Recent Baptisms**

We have continued to see the hand of the Lord. The work of the Lord has continued to prosper.

I baptized 3 people on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007, namely: Richard (man) 28, Gladys (woman) 25 and Ouma (boy) 17. Richard and Ouma are prospering in the Lord but Gladys is very unstable. She has continued to hold on to her old ways of life and does not attend church regularly for no good reason. She needs a lot of prayers.

I have continued to offer the new converts' special time of teaching so that they are fed on spiritual milk, so that they can grow thereby.

### **Lakeside Church of Christ, Jinja**

We are thankful to God who has continued to bless the work in Jinja. Many saints come from across the lake (5 to 10 people) both on Sundays and weekdays. I've baptize 4 of them, the others just attend church. Hopefully, they will believe the word and get converted in future.

We continued to study the books of Peter and are just about to complete. There were many discussions to make from the book. The book talks a lot about tribulations and sufferings, the very situation most of us go through. We thank God that there were very many learning points in the Letters.

We shall always covet prayers from brethren. Many people here get converted from practicing witchcraft, traditional worship, commercial sex, idolatry, drugs, alcohol and others things of the like. Please continue to pray for us.

### **Kampala Church of Christ**

The church is very stable through many prayers and consistence in worship and studies.

There are possibilities of studying with potential believers from the other side of the city. I have taught the saints about evangelism the Cornelius method and I am

seeing some saints come with friends and relative to church for worship and occasionally, for bible studies. This practice will open doors for the word to go to the other parts of the city.

The church has continued to prosper with 30 to 40 attending church on Sundays and a bit smaller during bible studies. We study once in a week during the week and have evening services on Sundays. We have completed the book of Peter. Hopefully we shall study James next month.

We covet your prayers always. The people here are busier and probably need more prayers.

### **Tororo Church of Christ**

Thanks be to God. Tororo was not affected by the floods though it is located in the East. Brethren have remained strong. John has remained a faithful brother in the Lord. Denominations are too many around him but the Lord has kept him and the church together.

"Evangelism the Cornelius Method" has helped even John as well. He baptized 2 people at once in the month to the glory of God.

Their challenge is poverty. Rosemary visited the women and children specifically and came down with good report. The zeal in the women is better than for men.

They keep repairing their grass thatched temporary shelter in which worship takes place. When it rains the shelter will need to be re-thatched. Tiresome exercise but there is no short cut to it. They are fine in the Lord, good enough.

### **Rosemary's Efforts**

After getting some relief from a few brethren, Rosemary became rejuvenated the more in the Lord's work among women. Her efforts among women are above average to say the least - visiting women and children in Kampala and Tororo. She has remained a pillar in the church.

Like I have always done, I will remind brethren again, especially female folks, to keep in touch with Rosemary, write to her, pray for her, support and encourage her with all encouragements.

### **Challenge**

I had a hard month towards the end of October financially, but Brother Dennis, Ralph and Ann Miller sent me some relief.

My laptop computer which I have always used broke down. It was too old and had lived its life span. I have had to make this report in a public computer bureau. Pray for me to acquire another computer. If someone can spare one and post it to me, I will thank God for the person.

We are left with very little balance to pay full fees for children. We will manage very soon.

We still have a number of sick saints in the church. Please pray for us. God bless you all.

**Francis Okech, Uganda**