





Dear Praying Friends,

## COVID

Many of you are now facing unique challenges with the virus situation; ours has been quite unusual, as well. Sara's parents were supposed to come for a visit in March, but Americans were banned from traveling to Uganda just a few days before they were supposed to arrive. Not even a week later, Uganda shut down all churches, schools, and other public places. At that time Uganda had not registered any cases, so it came as a bit of a surprise to us. Shortly after that, Uganda instituted a curfew at night and began to prohibit different types of vehicle and motorcycle travel.

The next few weeks were challenging as we tried to readjust and reassess what God wanted us to be doing during this time. We'd planned on a vacation from home schooling, but since we were confined to home, we decided to just continue home schooling. While this is allowing us to be done with the year earlier than we'd expected, we had a few challenging weeks immediately after the shutdown.

On top of that, sickness went through the family, with fevers and coughs being part of our symptoms. This forced us to do a complete quarantine for a few weeks. Please pray for the kids as a few of them still have lingering coughs.

Toward the end of April, Caleb (11 years) fell from our monkey bars and broke his arm. We are thankful God provided for us to get good medical care locally in spite of all the restrictions. Please pray for Caleb as he recovers. This is tough on him, of course. He needs to be in a cast for six weeks.

God is always good. We are thankful for the things He is teaching us along the way. We're thankful for safety. Soldiers are now patrolling our roads at night, which helps cut down on the crime that would otherwise happen. We are thankful for a nice house, and we're thankful for each other. We're thankful that our markets and stores still remain fairly stocked.

Of course, this has also changed the way we can minister right now. We can still visit and meet with people in very small groups, and we can call or text. Most of our people don't have Internet access, so that limits us quite a bit. We assist people as we can. Many around here struggle to just get enough to eat, so these restrictions are extra hard on them. In spite of it all, God is working! It is encouraging to see many of the members of our church grow in their relationship with the Lord during this difficult time.

We praise the Lord that a few months ago we were able to install the battery backup system for the radio station. We now have stable power for the equipment and studio.

However, our transmitter has been having problems that we cannot seem to fix. Right when everything was getting locked down here in Uganda due to COVID, we were trying to install a different transmitter. We were praying that we would be able to get on the air with the new transmitter by that first Sunday when we could not meet; however, our transmitter continues to have problems. We had to send it to Mbale for repairs, and now because of transportation restrictions, our transmitter is still in Mbale.

Please pray for us as we make decisions on how to proceed from here with radio broadcasting. We praise the Lord that He knows about the problems the radio station is facing, and He is working even during these difficult days!

Yours for Uganda,

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