



JUNE AND JULY UPDATE 2025

OVERVIEW

It has been a blessed first few months of deputation. The Lord has been so good to us. Although it has been a little slow getting off the ground, the Lord has given us 46 scheduled meetings for our deputation. I would like to take a moment and brag on the Lord as so many needs have already been met in our early stages of launching out into full-time deputation. God has used our sending church significantly as they have been such a blessing to us in preparing to go out full-time. We want to thank all the friends, family, church members and fellow laborers who have given of themselves whether it be time, service, or financial support. Your help and most of all your prayers have not gone unnoticed. Without your willingness to let the Lord use you, we could not get this far in as little time. We are praying that the Lord will grant us enough support to get to the field in less than 16 months. We know that is a tall order, but the power and grace of God is big enough to make that a reality. With how much the Lord has blessed us already, we will have that raised in no time.

In April we went to Kesese and Bundibugyo, Uganda. The state of affairs we saw there was quite sad. Outside groups have come in with good intentions trying to help the Pygmy people. Previously, they have been living in less than ideal circumstance; these groups have built them houses in two separate locations. As a result, this particular tribe has been split into two groups. King Izito is in the valley with most of them. The rest of them are at the top of the mountain. Julias is on the mountain, and is the one who asked us to come help their tribe. Sin and sickness runs rampant among this people group, much due to a lack of Bible teaching and Discipleship. When the Lord allows us to get there, our first priority is to start discipleship and systematically work to get the Gospel into this people group, ultimately through a church plant.

FAMILY UPDATE

My family and I are doing very well partly due to your continued prayer and support. Our son turned one year old in June and is growing and maturing quickly. He is starting to walk now, something he could not prior to recent days. In the last couple weeks he started to venture out on his own a bit. He is now to the point where he will pull himself up on the couch and try to walk as fast as he can until he falls over. He usually makes it about ten feet. When he falls, he laughs as hard as he can, and gets back up to do it again. He is definitely a child who knows very little fear. Katherine is taking steps toward continuing her education. We hope she can complete this as quickly as possible. Please pray for her as this has potential to be a lot to add to her plate.

Psalms 127:3 (KJV) Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The needs of the ministry are always great. Things always come along that need to be prayed for and supplied in some capacity. The obvious thing we need is increased support. We are still early on and have a long way to go. Our heart's desire is to Africa and the Pygmy people there. We can do little to nothing for them until we have the means to get there and live there. We have some needs when it comes to transportation as deputation takes us many miles. James has not been exposed to this level of travel before consistently; this is something we pray he can adjust to. There are loose ends and expenses here that we are praying the Lord will provide the means or answers to handle in His time. God is bigger than our needs, and we pray that He will meet them in due time.

Philippians 4:19 (KJV) But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.



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