

Blind Faith Ministries

"For we walk by faith, not by sight." 2 Cor. 5: 7

The Porterfields to South Sudan Prayer Letter Jan/Feb 2017 Update

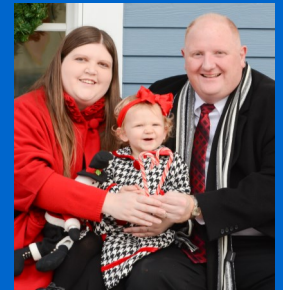
2017 is here! We are grateful for all the Lord did this past year, and are eager to see what He has in store for this year! Almost as soon as we sent out the letter saying we'd reached our goal, one of our largest financial supporters had to drop us due to finances. We are praying that some of the churches we visited this fall will be able support us. Since it has been 4 years since heading out on deputation, we are scheduling meetings with our supporting churches this year to give updates of our ministry for those who want it...so if you're interested, let us know!

The Lord has put some wonderful opportunities in our path, and we want to share those with you so you can pray, and consider how the Lord wants you to be involved.

1. We are having a **Pastor's Evangelism Conference in northern Uganda** next week. We plan to make this an annual event, with hopes of extending it to twice a year. We are estimating the conference will require a budget of **\$500 - \$1000** annually (depending on whether it is held once or twice). Of course, it could cost more or less depending on unexpected circumstances, but this is the preliminary budget. We feel this is a great opportunity for very little money, and are excited to see how the Lord will work!
2. We are planning to start a **Bible College Institute in northern Uganda** this year. We estimate the annual budget for this project to be **\$2500** annually.
3. We want to start **more churches in the South Sudanese refugee camps**. After carefully evaluating costs, we estimate that we can have makeshift huts built that can be used for various purposes (church meetings, living quarters, etc.) for between **\$2500-\$3000**.
4. If anyone is interested in **supporting nationals**, our opportunity is great right now. We can set up **team leaders with men under them for \$200-\$300 per month per team in Uganda**, and we can support **Venezuelan national pastors at about \$250 per month**. Four Venezuelan pastors are ready to go start churches now, but just need financial help. Please pray people will give and get involved while we have these laborers who are ready.

We are asking churches to adopt these projects so they can be implemented. We encourage pastors to contact us if they would like to organize a trip to aid in any of these projects.

Other requests...continue to pray for James' wife. She has been hospitalized for many days, and the UN has implemented a freeze, which means she cannot travel to get the care she needs in Kampala unless they pay the costs themselves, which is \$1500. Please pray that the freeze will lift, or the Lord will provide the money needed for her to get the treatment she desperately needs. Also, pray for George's son Jeffery as he has been having problems with malaria, and some other issues. Our final south Sudanese pastor has now crossed the border into Uganda, but the suffering and atrocities going on in South Sudan are almost unspeakable, and absolutely break our heart. Please pray God will intervene in some way. Pray about our upcoming youth rally, April 28-29. The speaker will be Pastor John Wilkerson. Continue to pray about the possibility of a virtual secretary, and we also have some personal requests we are asking the Lord to move in so we can be even more involved in the work of the Lord. As always, thank you for being so faithful to our ministry in support and prayers. Press on for Him in 2017!



Answered Prayer!

- *Souls saved
- *Safety while travelling

Prayer Requests

- *Peace in South Sudan
- *James' and George's family's health
- *A secretary/assistant for BFM
- *Funding for projects
- *Souls to be saved
- *Laborers

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