

Blind Faith Ministries

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

The Porterfields to South Sudan Prayer Letter Jan/Feb 2018 Update

The Lord has brought us through another year! In 2017, we watched the Lord do many things in and through His people in our work here and in other regions of the world and we are excited for the part He allowed us to play. God doesn't need us, but chooses to use us, and what a blessing it is to be used by Him! We would like to thank each of you who sent Christmas gifts and cards to us. They were greatly appreciated by our family. Thank you for being such a blessing to us!

We ask that you continue to pray for Jessica's health and for the baby. Jessica is now 20 weeks along, and we found out that she is having a BOY that we will name after my father and brother, John Rex Porterfield III. We couldn't be more excited about this blessing!

South Sudan continues to increase in political instability, robberies, and hijackings. It is on the same level of travel warning as Yemen, Afghanistan and Iraq, which is the highest level of "warning" there is. The reasons are different, but sadly, the danger level in South Sudan cannot be understated. Please pray for stability in this war torn country. Despite current conditions there, we are so grateful to still be able to reach the people of South Sudan, as well as those in Northern Uganda through our ASSIST program.

With the help of John Hayes and Pure Water, we were able to distribute nearly 75 water purification systems as a Christmas present to the community! The value of clean water isn't something that you can fully understand unless you've been without it. This is a blessing that can't be described in words! We were able to use these systems as a way to preach the gospel. We hope to distribute over 300 more (as Bro. Hayes' funds allow). We also were able to purchase one block machine, and the funds have been donated to purchase another one! Concerning our current building projects, we now have three in Uganda and are working on two more in Venezuela.

Here are a few ways you can specifically help us pray:

1. Pray for my mother Mary as she continues to recover from back surgery.
2. Continue to pray for Jessica's mother, Katrina. She does not need surgery on her shoulder just yet, but still needs prayer as she will be undergoing intense therapy to try to regain use of her shoulder.
3. We have about 50-60% of the money needed to finish the projects in Northern Uganda. We hope to get the rest that is needed in the next 60 days, about \$20,000. Please pray for this.
4. Pray that the Lord's work would continue to further in the regions we are currently in, as well as other parts of the world, and that the Lord would continue to help us organize the infrastructure in our ministries.
5. Continue to pray for Charles Hiltibital out of Grace Baptist Church in Raleigh, Illinois. Pray that the Lord would fund their \$1 million project to put discipleship materials into 240,000 children's hands in Fiji.

Lastly, we have a request for you. If you have a pastor or friend that you can refer us to that would be interested in helping us further our mission endeavors, we would be very grateful for the recommendation. Thank you so much for your prayers for our family and ministry. God bless you!



Answered Prayer!

- *Three projects were funded!
- *New van for our growing family!
- *Another block machine purchased!

Prayer Requests

- *Finances to finish the projects in Northern Uganda
- *Full-time assistant
- *More laborers
- *Bro. Charles Hiltibital's project
- *Further the Lord's work

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