



Blind Faith Ministries

"Christ in you, the hope of glory" Colossians 1:27

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Dear Pastors and Friends,

We can't believe our trip is almost over! On March 1st, we will be back on US soil... and back on the deputation trail. Since our arrival here, we have been informed of some churches we visited who have decided to partner with us, which is such a blessing! God is providing!

Pastor Charles is our newest national pastor with ASSIST, and he and his family are now here working with us in Juba. He will be overseeing Shadow of the Mountain Baptist Church in our absence. Pray for him and his family, as they have already faced several trials since coming to Juba. Attendance has been consistent at the church, and we've had visitors every week! Last month, 23 were saved, and 5 were baptized. Amen!!!

Our ministry at Juba University is now off the ground and doing well. We have about 16 who come regularly, and nearly all of them are young men, which is encouraging. They come from a wide variety of places, so if they are trained in God's Word, they will be able to take what they have learned back to their villages into places we may never be able to reach. How exciting!

We finally got to hold our first service at the largest military base in South Sudan, and it went very well! We had 41 in attendance, and the people seem eager for us to be there and excited for us to come back. While we were there, we heard testimonies and prayer requests that nearly broke our hearts. For example, one man testified that while his wife and three children were murdered in the war, God had still been good to him for allowing him to live, and even to remarry. Pray for this dear man and his new wife, as she lost their first child, and they truly want another baby.

We found out that there is a possible opportunity for our ministry here to have a weekly preaching segment on SSTV, which is aired across the globe. What an opportunity! Pray that all the details will work out for this to come to pass in the short time we have left here.

Due to a set of circumstances that weren't "supposed" to happen, God arranged for us to meet the Speaker of the Council of Ten States, who is a "big man" here in South Sudan. We were later invited to a dinner at his home and had the privilege of meeting various people who are in authority here in South Sudan and elsewhere. We're excited to see how God may use these contacts in the future.

We're still trying to get permission to enter any and all of the schools here. There was a mixup in the paperwork which delayed the process significantly, but it will hopefully be resolved soon.

Continue to pray for our health, safety, laborers, financing, and souls to be saved. Thank you for holding us up in prayer.

Yours in Christ,

Dr. Eric Porterfield

President of Blind Faith Ministries