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DEAR FELLOW SUPPORTERS:

2015 HAS ENDED, AND WHAT AN ENDING IT WAS... We were able once again to visit nine churches. God blessed us with safety and health as we traveled. There was one church which had no women in membership at all just men and children, but this time there were five women! So, I was able to encourage them! It was an excitable time sharing the Word of God and asking questions about the Bible. At times people who were passing by the church would come in, sit, and listen. A couple of times it rained and people came into the church to seek covering. We were able to take a bike to one of the Pastors who are lamed. This definitely will help with the distance he has to travel from his home to the church and vice versa. The whole church rejoiced. We were also able to take Bibles, Bible lessons, and a yearly plan for reading through the Bible to hand out. The theme for this time was THE BIBLE. There were enough Bibles for the ladies and for the churches that had Primary schools. One of the churches had need of Bibles for school on their prayer list. After completing the lesson at one church, a lady came up to me and asked if I could teach a whole day the next time. As the Pastor's wife was standing near she heard her question and asked me if I could do this. I then replied could the ladies handle it? (Meaning, could they stay awake and attentive.) She said YES! And other women chimed in, YES! So, I told her I will let her know. Normally, I teach for 2 hrs straight. It has worked out best to speak at two churches each day except for the one church that is three-hours away from Tororo, and I just speak at the one church. We are still trying to work out what is the best schedule for the churches. In the beginning we went to 9 churches in 3 days. Not good at all. It was a rush...speak, and then leave quickly for the next village. It left no time for fellowship or questions. These meetings also give Pastor and Mrs. Jaluge time to speak, encourage, and help with any problems the churches may have in their native tongue. At the home church in Tororo, Born Again Baptist, for the second time I was able to meet with the young ladies and encourage them in a separate session. Before the session began they ask me if they could ask me some questions. Of course, I said, "Yes." I was able to answer them all from the Word of God. I had a really good time. The first picture below is from the church in Butegi which is the farthest church. We arrived late in the evening and the women were ready! This is not always the case. Later in the session more women came. But, while I was speaking they were taking notes, looking for the scriptures in their Bible, answering my questions, and looking back at me which is important...it meant they were not sleeping! It was fantastic! When I teach I look into people's eyes. I had just driven three hours over rough roads. I taught for two and a half hours with a little fellowship after the session. I was energized to see these women ready to listen to the Word! I did not want to rush through the meeting even though I do not like driving at night! I did not these ladies to miss out on what I believe God had given to me for them because of miscalculating the time, even though my flesh was saying to me as I was teaching: *Remember you have a three hours drive back over bad roads and it is getting dark...* Well, God allowed us to make it back safely and I think at a quicker time than going. The rough parts did not seem as long to drive over...We will have to leave much earlier from Tororo next time. There was no way to know the roads were so bad compared to the last time. It seemed as if a bulldozer had tried to help. But they only made the road worse. I was just thankful that it did not rain going or coming back. We start praying months in advance for these meetings for safety, health, planning, vehicle, topic, and the Lord's will to be done. And, oh, how it is not in vain! It was truly a great way to end 2015!

Below are pictures from the meeting:





PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION...Uganda is getting ready for elections 18 Feb. Campaigning is in full swing. Posters of candidates are everywhere; on cars, house walls, gates, trees, tall electric polls, and even on government road signs! There have been trucks and vans going through town and neighborhoods with big loud speakers, music, and people promoting candidates. **Pray for peaceful elections.** There are also elections on 22 Feb and 9 Mar for other political positions.

SCHOOLS are still closed for the holidays until 22 Feb and even this date may vary depending on the outcome of the election.

WHAT A WAY TO START 2016...I had planned to call Simon the Director of St Pius in a couple of days to find out what day I can return, but he called me first to come and start the year off with teaching the students the Word of God. St. Pius is opened the whole year round unlike other schools. They have classes that run only for three months then they receive a certificate if successfully completed. I did not know this for I thought also they would be opening up after the elections when Simon called me. St. Pius does have a Secondary School that will be opening up after the election. It was great to start off the year teaching about 70 students and staff whom I had never seen before the Word of God...Are You Going To Heaven? I tell you, as I walked around the room, not one face I recognized! I am good with faces not with names. It was amazing! However, unfortunately...not one of them had a Bible

PRAY FOR:

- Doors to be opened for more ministry outreach opportunities
- Teaching in schools to youths: they would be saved and lives changed
- Soroti and Serere Prison visits and if either or both are possible I will need someone to interpret for me.
- The 9 church trip meeting each quarter (schedule, monies, health, safety, vehicle, and women lives changed for the glory of God)
- A meeting of women from all 9 churches to assemble in one location preferably Tororo either 2016 or early 2017 (planning, monies, food, transportation, safety, participation, souls saved, and Christians to draw closer to God). I am not sure it can be done this year; these women have never met as one group. I believe this would be an enormous encouragement for the ladies.

WHAT ARE THESE DELICIOUS INSECTS? I had a few people try to guess and no one got it right. However, one mom asked me if it was ok for her son to guess and I said Sure. He guessed it correctly...GRASSHOPPERS...WITH A HINT OF GARLIC AND ONION SEASONING...Yum , Yum!!!!

NEVER SAY NEVER...What do these look like? Can I tell you; I like them so much!! They are NOT white ants! When I bought them they gave it to me in this paper funnel. I paid 1,000 usx for them, equivalent to less than \$.50. YUM, YUM, YUM!!!

