

The Deborah Report

A Partner Update from Deborah Ministries International

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It's time! Harvey and I are on our way to Uganda. I'm so excited I can hardly contain myself! Because this trip was originally planned for April and then rescheduled for September, I have literally been waiting for this for months. By the time you get this, we should be enroute. We leave September 6th and will return home on September 22nd.

Though I have been to Uganda several times, it never loses its draw for me. The people there are so receptive to the gospel and teaching them and learning more and more about them is joy unspeakable and full of glory for me. Though the conditions can be rough, the people and their love for Christ make it all so deeply worth it!

Once again, we will be hosting a pastors' training school, and once again, we will be going into new territory with it. This trip we will be in a city called Mutukula, which is located in the southern part of Uganda, near the Tanzania border. Our very first training school was done in the southeastern part of Uganda where we returned and did a follow-up training with the same pastors. It was our most productive work ever in that out of that effort we were able to build a team of six Ugandan pastors who were willing to carry on the work of training others. They have since done numerous conferences all over the nation, teaching from the curriculum which we developed. This is one of our greatest joys--***to see this ongoing work going forth while we go elsewhere as God leads!***

This time we will have some of these pastors assist us in the teaching schedule, which will help us tremendously. We teach five sessions each day for ten consecutive days. This is a grueling schedule and very physically taxing, because of the relentless heat of equatorial Africa,

obviously without air conditioning and most often without the help of microphones. ***Please pray for our physical health and stamina, as well as for our interpreters!***

The last time Harvey was in Uganda he met with quite a challenge when it was time for him to catch his plane to come home. He had forgotten his immunization record at home, and consequently he could not prove that he had received a yellow fever vaccination. He was very nearly forced to get one there at the Kampala Airport, but by the grace of God he was able to avoid it! Therefore, we were both very diligent to go to the travel clinic here this week to be certain that we are up to date on all the requirements. Two of mine had expired, which shows how long I have been traveling internationally--I've even worn out some of my vaccinations!

Along with very important details like up-to-date documents are the seemingly insignificant things like remembering to pack towels for myself. Strangely enough, at the hotels in the outlying cities, each hotel room is assigned only one towel. Period. And for no reason can you request a second, even though there are two of us sharing the room. This mystifies me...apparently, we are to share the towel or take turns using it. (Harvey takes Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and I get the other four days!) Believe me, when you go through one trip like that, packing towels rates right up there with getting vaccinations against typhoid and meningitis!

I am so grateful to be able to go do this aspect of what God has called us to do. And that is another reason I am so grateful for you who partner with us and pray for us! The foundation and covering of prayer while we are

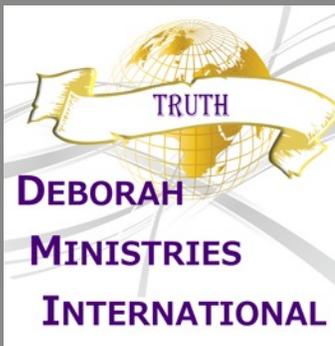
traveling is absolutely vital. The longer I travel internationally, the more I am aware of the importance of prayer support. ***I hope you will take me very seriously, because I couldn't be more sincere in requesting that you hold us up in prayer daily!*** Every single time I have gone, I come home with clear instances that testify to the power of prayer to affect our circumstances...safety in vehicles, protection from accidents, divine intervention in circumstances, divine appointments, divine favor with governmental or civic authorities when needed, protection from all forms of thievery, protection from disease (I remember riding for several hours next to a pastor who was sweating and vomiting from malaria), and on and on the list could go!

And, as always, I am so grateful for your words of encouragement and your financial support. In order to hold these training schools, we are responsible for meals for the pastors, as well as supplies, ground transportation, hotels for the team and paying the interpreters. This school has 30 attendees, chosen by our local team. The attendance is by invitation only, in order to be able to sow into the best spiritual ground possible in faith to reap 100-fold results on our/your investment. The budget for this school is \$5500. With our airfare added, it brings our total to just under \$8,000. I remember when I first began to invite financial partnership, I was so reluctant to talk about money. Now, twenty years later, I realize that it is just a tool to enable the Kingdom of God to go forth. When I think about it in terms of the Kingdom of God, instead of it "helping me," I am free of the stigma I felt in those days. And, I trust you to know that Harvey and I squeeze the most possible out of every gift given for the sake of the gospel. Having said all of that, I want you to know how grateful I am every single time I open one of your

gifts or letters! I pray that God will bless you in abundance for your willingness to help! To God be the glory.

Please Pray For:

- **Physical health and stamina.**
- **Good interpreters - their health and stamina.**
- **Our family here at home.**
- **Smooth logistics and practicalities.**
- **Financial costs fully covered.**
- **God's will to be done and His seed sown and reaped, 30, 60, and 100 fold!**



Deborah Ministries International ministers in response to Isaiah 61:1, "The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound."

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