

GOD IS MOVING! Prayer Letter - February 2024

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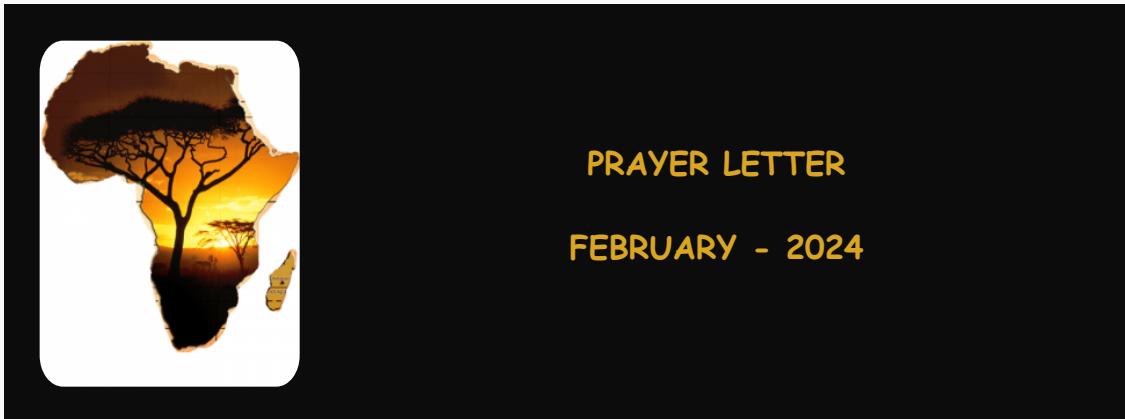
Dear prayer partners,

I hope you are all well.

I am sending attached the prayer letter.

Blessings,

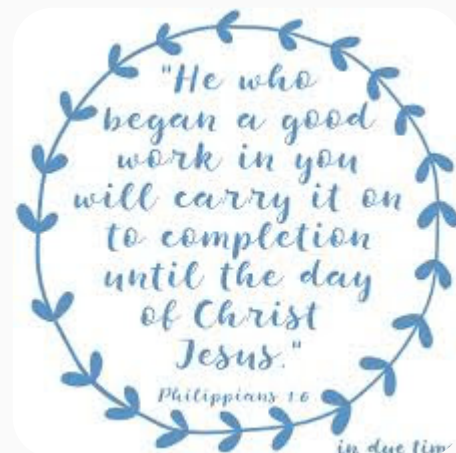
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Dear prayer partners,

Grace and peace upon your life! The Lord shows His faithfulness at all times and I would like to share some of these situations. But first I want to reflect on some relevant texts for this month.

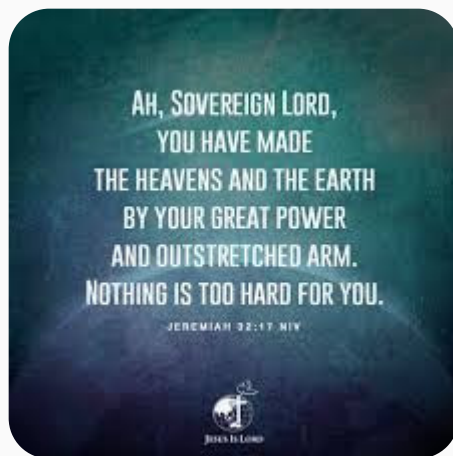
Paul states that God, who began a good work in us, will also complete it (Philippians 1:6). God continues to work in our lives in the most diverse circumstances and at all times. He is perfecting us, so that we become more like Him. That we may allow Him to complete His work in us.





The prophet Zechariah declares that even if certain situations seem impossible in the eyes of the people, nothing is too difficult for God (Zechariah 8.6). He acts in a way that we do not expect, operating in impossible situations, as He is above all circumstances and is capable of doing incredible things, which leaves His people amazed. That we may marvel at God's actions in our lives, the people around us and in the most diverse situations.

In this story, God asks Abraham if something is too hard for Him to do (Genesis 18:14a). Sara was barren. And even in this situation, which in human eyes seemed impossible to change, God intervened and challenged the natural happening of events. He is powerful to perform the supernatural, in the midst of challenging situations. That we may experience His power in our lives.



In this text, the prophet Jeremiah affirms that God is the Creator of the heavens and the earth, the God of all mankind and that absolutely nothing is too complicated for Him (Jeremiah 32.17, 27). If He created all things, which is infinitely incredible, nothing else is too difficult for Him. That we may witness His unsurpassable touch.

DAILY EXPERIENCES

I would like to share different situations in which I noticed God moving in wonderful ways.

At the beginning of the month, together with Caroline, we gave a first aid training at a home for girls, called "Alakara home". It was fun, as the girls dramatized a specific emergency scenario and showed how to intervene in that situation. After presenting it, we discussed the intervention.

However, the most incredible thing is seeing the potential of these girls and how God has worked in each of their lives, drawing them closer to Him and changing their story.





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Soon after, I traveled to Kampala, being busy with different activities for a few days, but I was also able to rest, specially at the Langas home. One night, we watched a documentary about Karamoja. What caught my attention is how creative God is: each people group with its beauty and culture. And, despite of being different, there is the possibility of connecting and the power of influence.



At the same time, He moves among these people groups in order to show His glory to them. This is something very simple for God to do. Did it ever cross our mind that we serve an incredibly powerful and great God? His glory, creativity and capacity far transcends the one of human beings.



Sunday I participated at the Watoto service. During this time, God ministered specifically to my heart, related to the moment of change and transition that I am experiencing. I am amazed at how much He knows me and how much He knows what I need. This is the God I serve! He cares for me personally.



I also saw God's action in something that seems insignificant: in a suitcase. When I returned to Uganda last year, I had problems with my luggage. First, it didn't arrive; and when it finally did, one of the suitcases was damaged. I went back to the airline office, where they promptly fixed it. But when I traveled to Moroto, I discovered that the retractable handle was also broken. I sent an email to the company, explaining the situation, without receiving a feedback. When I called, they asked me to take it to the company, so they could fix it. This time, practically a year later, it was fixed. God created the heavens and the earth, but He cares about matters as small as a suitcase and this reveals to me that nothing is too difficult or simple for Him.

Another situation in which I saw God acting was when renewing my license to work as a nurse. I started the renewal process early December, but I was having some challenges. Until someone from the department showed compassion and carried out the process for me. They advised me that when I would come to Kampala I could simply go to the nursing council and collect the document. When I got there, I discovered that I needed to pay another fee, and I would need to go to another place to request this document,



pay the fee at the bank and return to the nursing council.

Thankfully someone offered to do this process online. While we were doing this, the department received a call that they were suspending this fee for the time being; which allowed me to get the nursing document, without paying any fee. I clearly saw God's intervention in this. Nothing is too difficult for Him.



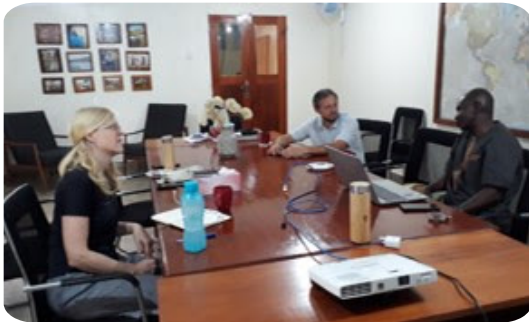
For some time now, with the leadership of AIM Uganda and Moroto, we have been praying, seeking God, and discussing the ministry in Kotido. It has been a challenging time, but also a time that God has taught me different things and specially to trust Him and that He is working, even if I do not understand or see it. Finally, it was decided for me to return to Kotido, even though there is no team established yet. This is a reason for great joy and gratitude to God. It is God moving, even when we do not always see it.

I also had the opportunity to visit the church where Alice and Sam Opolot, leaders of AIM Uganda, worship. Afterwards we had some relaxing time together. While we rest, God keeps working.



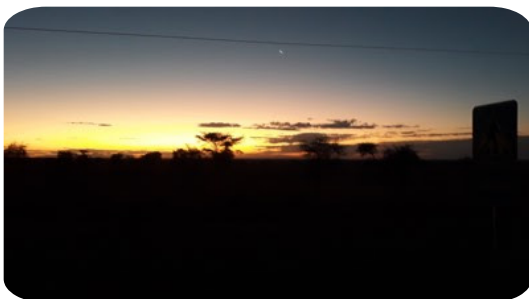


Soon after, we had a meeting with some mission organizations (YWAM, Reaching Frontiers and Global Link Afrika). As I mentioned in the previous letter, we are in the process of establishing a partnership with these organizations in order to re-establish a team in Kotido.



We met to finalize the document that guides this partnership. It is precious to see God moving in the formation of this partnership and it will certainly contribute to the expansion of the Kingdom of God. God acting in ways we did not expect.

The idea was, after the time in Kampala, to go to Kotido to talk with the bishop. And, God surprised us again, as the bishop had come to Kampala for some training, we were able to meet him. As we met, we informed him of my return to Kotido and discussed some practical issues such as when to return, housing, ministry focus, among other items. He was really excited and said that the house where I previously lived is ready to receive me. When we put our simple faith in God, He does things that seem impossible.



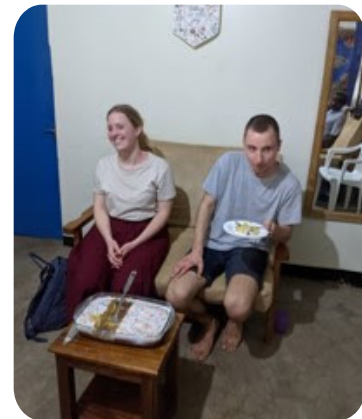
The journey back to Moroto was quite long: when we arrived at the bus station, the bus that normally leaves at 6 am, had left at 5.30. They put me in another bus, which left around 8 am. At one point, the police stopped the bus and began arguing with the driver. Somehow, the driver

offended the police and was taken to the police station. We waited at least an hour and a half for him to return. Because of this, I lost my connection to Moroto.



They connected me to a taxi, but we needed to wait until we had enough passengers. Finally, I arrived almost midnight...it was a tiring journey, but God was telling me to have a grateful heart, because He was in control. When I arrived, the driver took me home, saying it was not safe for me to go by myself at this time of night, which proved again God's move.

In the meantime, as a team, we welcomed a couple from Germany, Johann and Noëmi, who will stay in Moroto for a month and see the work that is happening among the Karamojong. God is the one who works, raising people for His harvest.



Finally, we had a meeting with the pastors and leaders of the churches in Moroto. We reviewed what we saw last year, but we also presented the proposed topics for this new year. That God may continue to work in the lives of each of these leaders and we may see God doing wonders in the region through these people.





PRAYER REQUESTS

Keep praying...

- Thank God for the first aid training at the girls' home
- That God may bless each one of them in their walk with Him
- Thank God for taking care of me on the trip to Kampala and back to Moroto
- Thank God for ministering to my heart in a specific way during the service at Watoto
- Thank God for His move in the suitcase and in renewing the nursing documents
- Thank God for the time with the Opolots and Langas, and also for rest
- Thank God for allowing me to return to Kotido
- That God may take care of all the details regarding this return
- That God may raise a team to work in Kotido
- Thank God for the partnership that is being formed with different mission organizations
- That God may bless this partnership and we may see the fruits of it
- Thank God for the meeting with the bishop and God's guidance in this
- Thank God for bringing Johann and Noëmi and that He may bless their time in Moroto
- That God may bring unity among the different leaders of the churches in Moroto
- That we may see God's actions and testify of His wonders, remembering that for Him nothing is impossible

That at all times and in all circumstances we perceive God's actions; and even when we do not see it, that we may trust that He is working and moving!

Rooted in Him, Dirce.



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