

Prayer Fuel

10th July 2014

For many, they are looking forward to summer holidays, long sunny days, picnics on the beach and lazy evenings. For us in Arua we are praising God the rain has now come, it started well in April then May and June were very dry months and many have lost their first season harvest. On Monday we had a lovely rain storm and it has continued every day since. Now there is lots of activity preparing fields and planting again. Pray that the rain will continue good and steady, not too heavy.

In West Nile we have 5 different languages groups. Lugbara and Kakawa have the whole Bible translated and printed. At present, there is work on having a Ma'di New Testament so far Luke's Gospel is finished.

During this past 18 years the translation team have been working on Aringa language and translation. On the 24th June they were able to dedicate the Aringa New Testament. It was a joyous occasion with lots of singing and dancing and much celebration. This is a real achievement as over 90% of Aringa are Muslims.

David continues with his farmer interactions, the next one is planned for 19th August.

The Young Farmers group in school is going well, the children are keen to learn and all are working on their school garden. At Amebeko School they have 4 teams of young farmers each team has a plot of land for growing vegetables and trees. The 1st week of October we will finish the competition and give the winning team a prize. Ugandans love competitions and we have been amazed at their commitment even coming to water their plots during school holidays!!

Heather continues with her safe motherhood activities. As the population of Uganda continues to rise, family planning teaching is essential. In June Cindy and Heather had a one week training for 33 religious leaders on the benefits of family planning, many went away saying they are going to teach the message in their churches. Her other passion is the plight of Teenage Girls. The Daughter of the King programme is beginning to take shape and several other Christian groups are coming together to share ideas and work together. Pray for her on the 9th August as she organises a forum for all the interested groups to talk together.

We continue to have many visitors and enjoy hosting coffee and cake on the venedrah after church on Sunday morning. It is a great time to catch up with friends. The first week in August a group of 8 student midwives from Birmingham are coming for a week to shadow a student midwife at Kuluva hospital. May this be a good learning experience for everyone and more midwives will be inspired for mission.

May God Bless you and each one of you have a relaxing summer break

Much love David and Heather

