

Prayer Fuel

February 2015



How quickly the months pass. The year is beginning to get busy for us. The schools are back in session, the temperatures are increasing and we are trying to see how much we can get done before the rains come and it becomes more difficult to travel.

This weekend we have Philip Mountstephen staying with us. Philip is the Executive Team Leader of CMS. He has come to Uganda to be part of the commemoration for the life of Janani Luwum. Archbishop Luwum was killed by Idi Amin for standing up for justice and the Christian church. Our landlady's husband, Salvanus Wani became the Archbishop of Uganda just after Luwum and lived through danger and helped the church remain strong during difficult times. It was during his time that many came to faith and had a real personal walk with Jesus in West Nile.

Next week David starts a new class of Primary 6 students at Amebeko Primary and continues with the young Farmers group there.

The new farmer interaction group starts on the 12th March Pray for the farmers who come, that they will have the commitment to follow the course for the whole year, and be able to share ideas together.

This year we are developing the idea of having a Health Focal person in each Archdeaconry. This will enable us to get closer to the real health issues in the parishes and have someone to link us to the right groups and people. We are having a training of the health focal people next week.

This year we have the theme; "health for the older person" as our archdeaconry health teaching. As we travelled around various churches we have seen many older people eager to come to lessons yet the topics we were addressing were, family planning, feeding the young child, care during pregnancy. This year we want to value the older person. As we were researching some ideas for our seminars, we discovered there are only 5 people in the whole of Uganda are trained in care of the elderly and most are in research and not practicing medicine. This is a whole new area of teaching as the average life expectancy is below 50 years, so little traditional knowledge on this topic. Many women have no idea about menopause, they think they have malaria. The first seminar on health for the older person is on 3rd March



We are launching our Girls to Women programme at the beginning of March. We have been in the planning stage for many months, now we are ready to go. The training for the mentors will be on the 10th March. Pray that the 5 Parishes involved will select the right people for training and they will be role models for the girls and will be able to teach the lifeskills discipleship course. Pray also the girls will grow in their understanding of their bodies and they will mature as young Christian woman.

Thank you for your love and prayers

David & Heather Sharland