

# The Petersen Family in Uganda

March — April 2017



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Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! These two months have included a birth into God's family, a graduate into Heaven, and your help toward a fellow-laborer in God's harvest.

In April, Lisa met Susan, a mother who was attending our church. After one of the services that she attended with her three children, Lisa took her aside, seeing that she had responded to the invitation. When she heard the gospel and the plan of salvation, she immediately wanted to receive Christ as her personal Savior. Discipleship was more difficult, as her husband wouldn't respond well to visitors. This is not an uncommon occurrence.

She took the first Bible lesson to do on her own, but recently disappeared. No one knows where she has gone. We are thankful to be here to point people in the right direction, in the time that we have with them, when God opens their heart to the gospel.



Lisa with Susan

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JJ's viewing service

During our first term in Uganda, I met JJ Kalanzi and taught him during our Bible college classes in Masaka. Another missionary had led him to Christ. He graduated from the college and married Harriet. They went on to have six children and help another missionary begin a church, a large orphan village, and a school in a community about ten miles from Masaka. On March 30<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 am, I received a text message from that other missionary saying JJ had died in a car accident the previous night. With great sadness we attended the viewing of the body by those of their church and school. He is sorely missed by all. Please pray for his family and those who looked to him as a father, pastor, and fellow worker.

On our furlough in 2012, several churches gave to help us be a blessing to an island ministry led by Pastor Paul Sserunjogi. We purchased, with those funds, a fiberglass boat and engine. I have had some extra money saved from those offerings ever since then, in order to keep the boat on the water. Paul also has a motorcycle that has been modified to carry him, since he is crippled. He uses it to drive about five miles to every church service. It was broken down recently, and needed a lot of attention. So, with the funds we had left over, we repaired his motorcycle. Thank you for giving to help us help others accomplish the will of God for their lives, and thank you for your prayers as we do so.



Paul and his motorcycle

Because of Christ,

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