

The Gardner Family

Ambassadors of Christ to the Ugandan People



Prayer Requests at a Glance

- 1 - For Jedidiah, to accept Christ as his Savior at an early age
- 2 - For us to have safe traveling on our furlough
- 3 - For all the new converts to come to church and to do their discipleship

Dear Pastors and Friends,

We would like to first start out by saying Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone. We are so thankful to the Lord for another wonderful year of ministry. Thank you so much for partnering with us through 2024. Your prayers have made a huge difference, and your giving has allowed us to stay on the mission field. We would also like to thank all of our supporting churches that sent us a Christmas offering. Your kindness is very much appreciated, and your thoughtfulness has allowed us to have a very wonderful Christmas.

God has accomplished much at the end of 2024 in Uganda! There was a church that was planted many years ago in a village named Palaet. Pastor Oluka built the church with the church members using their own trees and tools and funds. It had a thatched roof and the building was supported by several hewn trees. Over time, the local materials started to deteriorate. The termites started eating the support beams for the church, and one night when the church was empty, the roof collapsed. Pastor Oluka came to me and asked me to pray about what to do. The church was now meeting under a mango tree, and when it rained, the church would have to cancel its services. After seeking the Lord's direction, God led myself and a missionary I work with to fund the building of a permanent structure. Instead of mud bricks, they built with manufactured clay bricks. Instead of hewn trees for support, concrete pillars were poured. Instead of a thatched roof, iron sheets were installed. The building has just been completed and all the glory goes to God! Berean Baptist Church will now have a building to worship in for decades to come!

At the dedication service for this new building, we had over 350 visitors come from all over the area. I preached a salvation message to them, and during the invitation, 81 people raised their hand to receive Christ. The field of Uganda is truly white unto harvest. Please continue to pray for Pastor Oluka as he now seeks to disciple these souls and get these people into church.

Please keep in mind that our furlough will be from February of 2025 to July of 2025. Many of our dates are filled up; so if you are still interested in us coming to report to your church, please email me at: gardners2uganda@gmail.com.

For the furtherance of the Gospel,
Matthew, Savannah, and Jedidiah Gardner



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Photo of the Month



THIS IS PASTOR OLUKA, MYSELF, AND PASTOR JOHN CUTTING THE RIBBON ON BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH AT THE DEDICATION CEREMONY.