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# the STENSAAS family

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## Uniqueness of Uganda



President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni was re-elected for another 5-year term.

### Prayer Requests

- This cycle of Ebola will stop on the Uganda/DRC border
- Bible translation works in Runyankore, Lhukonzo
- Discipleship ministry
- Preaching point in Kinyayoby
- Mountain ministry
- Finances to finish the building projects
- All restrictions on churches will be lifted

### Sending Church



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### Mission Board



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## New Sunday School Classes

The first Sunday in the new year we started three new Sunday School classes for the church. Bro Alex Beauford is teaching the Home Builders class for parents and husbands and wives. I am teaching a Singles class and one of our men, Monday Moses, is teaching our Youth 4 Christ class. Everyone is excited and the attendance has increased in these classes since starting.

## Presidential Elections

Thank you for praying for our safety and security during the presidential elections here in Uganda. Things went quite smoothly (at least for us) and we never felt in danger at any time. President Yoweri Museveni was elected for another five year term. He has been the president since 1986. Yellow is the color of his political party with red being the color of the opposition.

In order to keep disinformation, false claims, and fake news from having an impact on the elections, the government turned the internet off for election day and the next 5 days. Even since then, Facebook has been blocked without a VPN. This is life in a third world country.

## Missions Conference

We were excited at how much the Lord blessed during our Missions Conference in January. We had Pastor Busolo John from Mbale come and preach for us. He did an outstanding job and really encouraged the people. In spite of the Covid pandemic shutdowns in 2020, the church people gave 2,331,100/= shillings (\$636.39) to missions. This year they promised to give 5,940,000/= shillings (\$1,621.62) to missions. Praise the Lord! Please pray that our people would remain faithful to their commitments.

## Back Surgery

What I thought was only sciatica pain for the past 4 months ended up being diagnosed (after an MRI) as a severely herniated disc in my lower back. Surgery was about the only option. I contacted an orthopedic surgeon (Dr. Muballe) and got as much information as I could find. I talked with patients that he performed this surgery on. Considering the cost of flying back to the US and all the trouble with Covid regulations and quarantines and the recommendations of the doctors' patients, counsel and prayer, we decided to have the surgery here in Uganda.

Praise the Lord it was a success, and I am slowly recovering from it. I did, however, go back to the hospital for two days because I suffered from a severe case of malaria as a result of a blood transfusion given to me after the surgery. I am now ok and out of the hospital.

Thank you to all those who called, sent text messages and emails saying you were praying for us and the doctor. Thank you to those who sent money to help with the extra expenses incurred from having to move the family to the capital for a month. God truly used so many people around the world to meet our needs during this time. May God bless all you and reward you greatly.



Matt teaching the Singles class



Monday teaching the Youth class



Pastor John with church members



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