

**SOUTHERN SUDAN MISSION
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Dear Friend and Supporters of the Southern Sudan Mission,

I want to introduce John Chuol. John obeyed the gospel while in high school and everyone knew he would be a special servant of the Lord. As soon as he was raised to new life through baptism, he started teaching the gospel to everyone who would listen. He has taught and baptized many of his relatives, friends and others.



He graduated from the School of Biblical Studies and preached for a few years. He wanted to gain as much knowledge about the Lord as possible; so, he attended and graduated from Bear Valley School of Biblical Studies in Nairobi, November 2019.

While in Nairobi, John communicated with me frequently stating he wanted to return to Gambella and become a member of the evangelistic team. His wishes were fulfilled as he joined the mission team December 1st.

John will be a special blessing to the mission and we look forward to working together.

I want to express my appreciation to everyone who worked so hard to make this year's Mission Benefit Banquet a great success. Please note a few pictures of the special occasion:



In 2008 when the decision was made to move the South Sudanese School of Biblical Studies to Newland Gambella in the Gambella Region of Ethiopia, there was a small church building located on a five-acre tract of land the government had given the church in the late 1990's. At that time the

City of Gambella had approximately 60,000 people, half Ethiopians and half South Sudanese Refugees. The city has grown considerably and there is a need to start a congregation on the far North side of the city. Brother James Puot and other Brothers will be contacting the city officials requesting a land grant to build a house of prayer, church building, and a compound. We expect the government to grant the request as most of our requests have been granted in the past.

When the land is granted, we will build a tin fence around the land to protect the land from settlers and must build a House of Prayer (church building) within 6 months from the date of the land-grant.

Brother Colin Chandler, one of the Board Members and an elder in New Mexico and seven other men will be traveling to Gambella January 17th to do construction work. Hopefully the land grant will be settled, and they can fence the new location and build the church building. Additionally, they will build 3 or 4 cinder block structures and do repair work on several facilities that need attention.

The rain has ceased and the Nile River is receding. Thankfully, the Brethren will be moving back on their land soon. Unfortunately, all their grass houses were washed away, and they must begin anew. As soon as the soil is ready, they will plant crops which, hopefully, will be ready for harvest in mid to late February.

If you recall from the November newsletter, the mission needed \$35,000.00 to purchase food for the starving Brethren (approximately 1,500). To date the mission has received \$15,000.00 leaving a need for \$20,000.00 to feed the brethren until their hopeful harvest in mid to late February.



Additionally, as recorded in the November newsletter, all the grass church buildings (10) were washed away in the flood. The Brethren will rebuild the grass church buildings. **There is an urgent need for funds to purchase the grass needed for the buildings for three reasons:** 1). the Brethren need a place to worship; 2). the special grass needed to build the buildings is only harvested in January and part of February; 3). due to the number of houses and other grass structures that were destroyed the need for the special grass will surpass the supply; therefore, the grass will be sold on a first come first sold basis.

Please see break down for the urgent need for funds:

Tin fence for the new compound	\$1,500
Cinder blocks structures (4 X \$8,000)	\$32,000
Repair of additional cinder block structures	\$1,500
Grass for church buildings (10X\$2,750)	\$27,500
Structures total:	62,500
(If the price of the grass is not jacked up.)	
Food for displaced brethren from the flood	20,000
Total funds needed	\$82,500

These funds are in addition to the mission's normal operational funds.

While this seems like a large amount it is relatively small compared to the amount of materials needed.

We know God will provide the funds as He deems necessary.

The Board of Directors: Bryce Caldwell, Vice President, Colin Chandler, Ottis (Buddy) Faulkenberry, Nathan Ingram, Nathan Lockwood, Secretary-Treasurer, David Roberts, Tyrone Mynhier, President, and Todd Watrous held their annual meeting November 16th to evaluate 2019 and discuss plans for 2020. Among the proposed plans for 2020 are the above stated plans.

Additional plans for 2020:

1. Have two semesters in the School of Biblical Studies, 20 students in each session.
2. Increase the number of students in the English Class
3. Increase the number of students in the World Bible School Classes at the Universities.
4. Do needed repair work at the Newland Compound
5. Start 4 -6 new congregations in Ethiopian villages.
6. Start 4-6 congregations in the Upper Nile Region of South Sudan.
(There has been peace to some degree in South Sudan for about 18 months and many of the refugees are moving back home (to Nisar and Malakal, in the Upper Nile Region.)
7. American teachers teach 4,000 refugee children in the towns and villages in the Gambella Region.
8. American teachers mentor native teachers.
9. The native teachers teach 6,000 refugee children in the refugee camps.
10. Fence additional agriculture land and prepare to plant more corn.
11. Look at agriculture opportunities to grow wheat and beans.
12. Purchase a tractor and implements to work agriculture land.

Many will be receiving end-of-year bonuses and will be looking for a great mission work to support. Please be encouraged to help this mission, particularly this year when many of our South Sudanese Brethren are starving. The mission has a great need to feed approximately 1,500 displaced Sudanese Brethren, build meeting facilities for new congregations, replace meeting facilities destroyed by the flood, etc.

Thank each of you for partnering with Alma and me, and the Board of Directors, to spread the gospel into the world's newest nation, South Sudan. We solicit your continued prayers and support.

Tax deductible contributions may be made to Southern Sudan Mission, Porter Church of Christ ear-marked Southern Sudan Mission or through PayPal. All contributions should be mailed to Tyrone Mynhier 532 Raleigh Dr. Conroe, TX for posting. To contribute through Pay Pal, please go to the mission website missioninsouthernsudan.com and click on Pay Pal.

Tyrone Mynhier, President, for the Board of Directors

**Pray you have a great Holiday Season
and fantastic New Year!**