



AID SUDAN MARCH NEWSLETTER

As the first quarter of the year comes to a close, Aid Sudan feels truly blessed to report exciting news from two of our programs - a fully operational office in Uganda and the return of the Moses Project missionaries from their first trip to Sudan.

You'll find updates on both of the initiatives in this newsletter, but we encourage you to learn more by visiting our newly launched website! It's the same address - www.aidsudan.org - but it has a new look and new features, including blogs from Kerry Henderson in Uganda and our Moses Project missionaries now in their second phase of training in Houston.

As always, we thank you for your support of the southern Sudanese communities in Sudan and in the U.S.!

The team at Aid Sudan

Uganda Office Up and Running

Aid Sudan's Uganda office is operational in Kampala, Uganda. In January, Aid Sudan Country Director Kerry Henderson and his family followed God's call to East Africa, making their new home in Uganda.



Over the past couple of months, the Henderson family has been acclimating to their new culture and surroundings - from taxi cab adventures to the discovery of local animal wildlife found in their own backyard. Almost immediately, God provided a beautiful home in a safe area set on top of a mountain with an amazing view of both the village below and breathtaking Lake Victoria. Kerry and Neltia's three boys - Drayton, Isom and McCain - especially love playing in the yard. The location is also strategically close to Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) - an organization with whom Kerry will be working closely to coordinate trips in and out of southern Sudan.

The work in Uganda has been busy right from the start. In the midst of finding a home and searching for a vehicle, Kerry hosted Jengmer and Abook, our Moses Project missionaries, as they made their way from Sudan back to the United States for more training. Additionally, Kerry has been working to register Aid Sudan as an NGO (Non-Governmental Organization) and researching the development of a potential radio station in southern Sudan.

This past week, all of the paperwork to register Aid Sudan in Uganda as an NGO was completed and is now in the hands of the government. Please pray for favor as Aid Sudan will receive an official decision in 2- 3 months. We are praising God that He has made all this possible and we now have an office fully operational in East Africa!

To read Kerry's blog, please visit the Uganda blog on our new website.

Moses Project Missionaries Report Back from Sudan

Aid Sudan's Moses Project missionaries and Sudanese team members - Agook, Jengmer and Maker - are currently in Houston completing their second phase of training in the United States. This past December, Jengmer and Agook returned home to Sudan for the first time in 20 years to spend time in their home villages and surrounding communities to survey the physical and spiritual climate. Upon their return, they reported the greatest needs in each area.



Jengmer spent a little over a month in his home village of Nasir and started building Aid Sudan's first compound in southern Sudan. After talking to the commissioner about developing the land, Jengmer bought the necessary materials to begin construction and recruited volunteers. During his stay, Jengmer and the team in Nasir worked to build huts and toilets, aiming to finish work on the compound in the early summer. In addition to the construction, Jengmer trained local pastors in the Word of God.

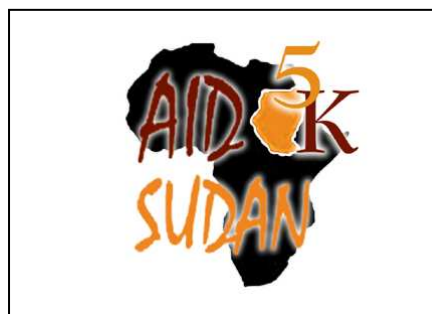
Agook spent his stay in Sudan in his former home located in the Bor area. For a month, he trained pastors, taught the Bible using Chronological Bible Storying and surveyed the physical needs of the people due to the recent floods that destroyed many crops. He was deeply moved by the plight of the people as he dealt with seeing many of his people displaced and enduring much suffering. In light of the area flooding and food shortage, Aid Sudan is making plans to conduct a famine relief campaign in this area.

Maker has been unable to return to Sudan due to pending American citizenship paperwork. He is anxiously awaiting his return to Sudan and is very much excited to be reunited with his wife and daughter who live in Sudan. His daughter, Akur, just turned 2 years old on March 2nd and Maker has yet to meet her. We are praying that Maker will be able to return to Sudan with the teams in June so that we can celebrate his return along with his family!

To read the Moses Project Missionary blog directly from Agook, Jengmer and Maker, visit our new website.

Aid Sudan 5K: Run a Mile, Save a Village

Don't miss the chance to walk or run for a great cause! On Saturday April 5th, Houston's First Baptist Church is hosting a 5K Fun Run/Walk for adults and a 1K for kids in Bear Creek Park.



Participants will enjoy an active morning in the park with their entire family while all the proceeds from entry fees go directly to fund Aid Sudan's mission of building strong southern Sudanese communities committed to serving Jesus Christ.

Entry fees are as follows:

\$25 until March 28th

\$30 March 29th - April 3rd

\$35 April 4th and 5th

\$10 for the Kids 1K

For more information and to register online, visit the upcoming events page on our new website.

Aid Sudan Annual Gala

Join us for Aid Sudan's 2008 Gala! A memorable event each year, the Aid Sudan Gala brings together Sudanese and Americans in the Houston area for a night of fellowship, remembrance and anticipation for what's to come in the year ahead!

Tuesday, April 29th

6:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Houston

The gala festivities include traditional Sudanese music, a silent auction from 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and stories of Aid Sudan's ministry in the U.S. and in southern Sudan.

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