



AID SUDAN MAY NEWSLETTER

The team at Aid Sudan, minus Kerry in Uganda, came together in Houston last week for a time of focused prayer for the ministry in southern Sudan and a discussion of short-term and long-term goals. At the conclusion of our time together, we felt a renewed passion for aiding the Sudanese people and much praise for all that God is doing.

In this newsletter, we are excited to announce our radio station project and first trip to Sudan in 2008! God is doing a powerful work in the hearts of Sudanese and Americans as we come together for a common goal - growing southern Sudanese communities committed to serving Jesus Christ!

The team at Aid Sudan

Aid Sudan Begins Work on Radio Station in Kampala



In March 2007, Aid Sudan conducted initial research to set-up a radio station in southern Sudan with a vision to bring the Word of God to the people on a large scale. We are excited to announce that this project is now underway! Thanks to a very generous donation from all-star baseball player Lance Berkman and his wife, Cara, we are now implementing a base in Kampala, Uganda and a satellite system that will allow us to broadcast to unlimited repeater

stations across southern Sudan. **This radio station network will use radio waves to transmit the Word of God, health & hygiene training and Sudan news, allowing us in time to impact several million southern Sudanese** as multiple repeater stations are added.

After establishing the base in Kampala under the direction of our Sudan Country Director, Aid Sudan plans to place the first two repeater stations in Nasir (home to 300,000 Nuer) and Bor (home to 600,000 Dinka) – the home villages of our Moses Project missionaries. Hand-held solar-powered radios costing only \$10 each (with each radio reaching 10-15 people) will be distributed to individuals in these villages so they can tune in at the same time every day to listen to broadcasts as recorded by our Moses Project missionaries.

Initially, programming will include the Word of God through Chronological Bible Storying and indigenous songs. The programming will then expand to include community issues, health & hygiene and Sudan news. Programming will be broadcasted in the tribal languages specific to each area, in addition to Juba Arabic and English. With funding for

the first repeater stations in hand within the next month or two, the base station, satellite system, and repeater stations will be operational by the end of this year!

Thank you again to Lance and Cara Berkman for their extreme generosity and big hearts for the people of southern Sudan. Executive Director Peter Swann has called this radio station project “the most significant he has ever seen” for southern Sudan and we believe that the airwaves will reach and impact the masses of southern Sudan in a most powerful, life-transforming way!

First 2008 Mission Trip Gets Ready to Go!

On June 7th, the first Aid Sudan mission team of 2008 will head to the Bor area of southern Sudan. Focusing on a medical project, the team of 10 includes a doctor, a pharmacist, a nurse and two teachers along with Aid Sudan personnel.



Prior to heading into Sudan, the team will get acclimated to Africa at Aid Sudan’s Uganda office in Kampala, as they are hosted by the Henderson family. From our base in Uganda, Aid Sudan has received the proper approvals to ship medical supplies into the Bor area, but **please continue to pray that shipment of the medicine continues to go smoothly** so that we can treat as many people as possible. The team led by David Humphrey and Kerry Henderson aims to conduct a medical clinic in Bor with our pharmacist dispensing medicine as necessary. Any remaining medicine will be distributed amongst medical clinics in the area. While people are waiting for medical treatment, the team will share the Word of God through Chronological Bible Storying.

When the team leaves to return to the States, Moses Project missionaries Agook and Jengmer will stay in Sudan until August. Agook will remain in the Bor area while Jengmer will continue on to Nasir. During their three months in Sudan, they will conduct pastor training, work on community development projects and continue to report to Aid Sudan on needs in the area. Please continue to pray for Maker as he has yet to get the documentation he needs to travel to Sudan.

To learn more about the trip, visit the Upcoming Trips page at www.aidsudan.org and click on the June 2008 trip to Tong.

For updates on the Moses Project missionaries in Sudan, visit the Moses Project blog on our website.

Welcome New Mission Trips Director – Andrew Brown

The newest addition to our Aid Sudan team, Andrew Brown, has already hit the ground running! As our new Mission Trips Director, Andrew is currently in Kampala, Uganda meeting with church leaders in the area to establish relationships and discuss missions to southern Sudan.

Andrew is filling a great need at Aid Sudan by managing and growing mission trips to southern Sudan. His responsibilities include working with Kerry to finalize logistics for each mission trip, counseling potential mission trip members through the application

process and developing relationships with church organizations to facilitate interest in trips to Sudan. Serving on the July 2007 trip to Padak, Andrew is a former Aid Sudan mission trip member and has a huge passion for building communities in southern Sudan.

Prior to joining Aid Sudan, Andrew was the marketing manager for one of NOV's largest business lines, Rig Solutions. In this role, he supervised a team on the development of marketing materials. Andrew can be reached at andrew@aimsudan.org.

Aid Sudan Hosts Packed House at Annual Gala

On Tuesday, April 29th, Aid Sudan held the annual gala celebration to a packed house at First Presbyterian Church in Houston. The attendance doubled from last year as approximately 300 Sudanese and Americans gathered together at this year's event!

While guests enjoyed dinner and fellowship at their tables, they were entertained with traditional southern Sudanese music led by Moses Project missionaries Agook and



Maker, a silent auction and a live auction with items such as a Roger Staubach football, Lance Berkman baseball jersey and large framed photo of southern Sudan. The crowd was moved by testimonies from the southern Sudanese as Maker Manyang shared memories of the attack on his village and how two million people were lost in the war.

Made possible by the huge support of donors and prayer warriors, **Executive Director Peter Swann made a big announcement regarding Aid Sudan's strategy for ministry in southern Sudan** that encompasses southern Sudanese and Ugandan missionaries, a Village to Village project that tackles the needs of southern Sudanese communities one village at a time and a radio station project.

Thank you to our Director of Houston Events Jessica Ray for taking care of all the logistics and to all our volunteers who helped make the night happen. Special congratulations to Elizabeth Hankins, author of The Calling, who received the Volunteer of the Year award.

To learn more about this event, visit the Houston Page under U.S. work at www.aimsudan.org.