



Romans 1:11

Mutually Encouraged
by each other's faith

UGANDA UPDATE

We entered August with sad news: unfortunately, two of our sponsored children, Zainah and Scovia, have died from Covid-19.

Please join us in praying for blessings and safety for their friends and loved ones, and also in thanking God for their lives, and the things they were able to achieve in that time.

Across the country, the initial 42 days of lockdown were replaced on 30th July with another 42 days of lockdown for schools and 60 more days for churches. This is causing problems for the Ugandan economy: as a result of the first harvest having failed for many due to drought, a lot of those who work in these settings are struggling to eat. In addition, there is little paid work available which means that buying food (which has increased in price) is also not an option for many. Pastor Steven has been in touch this week and told us that despite his work at many centres, plus his farming, he is finding life very difficult. In addition, the lack of vaccines available means that hope is hard to come by for many Ugandans, save our hope in Jesus Christ. Please pray that food is made available for those who need it, and that vaccines become available for the whole population so they may begin to move out of lockdowns.

In more joyful news, those who have food are working hard to share it. Pastor Simon near Jinja has been sharing surplus food around his area, and in July they saw 98 families fed, who otherwise would have had no food. We thank God for Simon and his colleagues who have worked to feed the hungry; we also pray that more surplus food will become available across the country to feed those who need it.

Unfortunately, the problems with food are leading some to crime; we have heard of a widow named Pelepetwa, who is caring for 9 children. She had been doing well, with a kiosk which was used to complete tailoring, however thieves attacked the community and broke into many people's houses, as well as the church temporary store. In doing this, they broke into her kiosk, stole what little she had and set fire to the rest. There have been regular fires in the area which have been set to destroy homes and businesses. Please pray for Pelepetwa and those like her, who have lost what little they had. Pray God's blessing and hand of protection on them, and that he will help them renew what they had.

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