

# The Petersen Family in Uganda

July/August 2009 Newsletter



*Marlin, Lisa, Daniel,  
and Abigail Petersen*

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! In mid-July we were pleasantly surprised by some visitors from my home state of Montana. Paul and Judith Wagoner were helping GRACE orphanage in Masaka, started by missionary Tony Applegate. They were able to see our church in Kisojo and we had a great time of fellowship with them during their stay in Uganda.



*Montana visitors*



*Canada group with us*

In August Pastor Jason Cochran and his wife came with three others from their church in Canada, accompanied by Brother Applegate. They were also helping out with GRACE orphanage and running some youth activities during their stay. While they were here in Uganda, the Lord blessed and they were able to visit our church as well. They sang several songs for our midweek service.



*Some of our teens*

The group had a teen meeting at Masaka Independent Baptist Church. They did a tremendous job with all the activities. Seventeen teens from our church took part in the events which included games, singing and preaching. I know that our youth were challenged and changed in the midst of enjoying themselves.



*Canada group singing*

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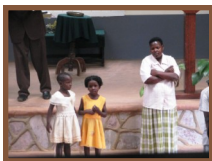
The following week they also held a one day Vacation Bible School in Masaka. This is the church, started by missionary Keith Stensaas, where we worked upon our arrival in Uganda nine years ago and with whom we still cooperate in many activities. Daniel and Abigail were invited to attend the VBS and they enjoyed it immensely. I was able to video the entire event and put it on a DVD. It will be a great tool to show our workers in Kisojo a camping type ministry.

We are adding a few things to the church property in preparation for teen camp in December. A new shower room and extra water tank will help us in hosting the teens. We are also adding some flowers and improving the steps on the property. Please pray for this ministry to be a success.



*New Showers*

At this time we are in the capital city having some parts replaced on our van. As I was paying for the work today, I thought about the cost of bringing people to Jesus Christ. Thinking about more than 5000 people who came to church in that van over the past four years made the price for repairs seem so small. I don't have the exact number right now, but the hundreds saved as a result of those who came hearing a Gospel message makes it worth the cost. Even seeing just one saved makes the burden easy to bear—like the lady who professed faith in Christ during soul winning last week when a small group came to her home in the same van. What a blessing to see her come to church the following Sunday. Thank you for supporting us and "bearing the cost" to make all this possible. Thank you also for praying, which makes the tools of the ministry effective.



*Three saved recently*

Sincerely,

*Marlin Petersen*

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