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# **Feeding the Fire**

"B4P lives and teaches the heavenly pattern"

Serious challenges—including an ebola outbreak—confronted our July B4P Uganda team. After a period of discernment, B4P determined to move forward as planned to save lives and save souls. I found myself praying, "Lord, put out the unholy fires."

We arrived in Uganda to unexpected news from Augustine, B4P Uganda volunteer board member, lawyer, and administrator of the B4P farm, located about a one hour drive from B4P Children's Village. Augustine has brought both his and Sylvester's (B4P Program Director) children to the farm to

volunteer and has worked alongside them digging and planting. Augustine explained, "We want our children to have an investment in the B4P farm through the work of their hands."

The B4P farm is often the first stop of a B4P mission team. Several years ago after a hurricane Augustine was reluctant to drive the team there. He was deeply disappointed that the visiting team would not experience the glory of our flourishing B4P farm. Ed urged him to stop anyway, as everyone wanted to walk on the land. When we arrived, it was sad to witness the storm's destruction that left

our banana leaves hanging like rags from tree trunks. But at least it was a natural disaster. This July, we saw pain move across Augustine's face as he told us we would not be visiting the farm. The backstory was hard for him to tell.

Augustine's deep voice rumbled as he said, "Like much land in Uganda, our farm has a 49 year lease that came up for renewal. We filed the renewal application timely, but unscrupulous people hoping for political gain took advantage of the situation. They

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The children sing Happy Birthday

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delayed the renewal and instructed locals to seize the farm during the gap period, to become squatters, and to utilize the land for their own purposes. The criminals trespassed, chopped down much of our eucalyptus forest, cut many of our banana trees, stole the doors off our building and began to damage the roof." (Roof construction is corrugated metal sheets, which can be used on another property.) Thanks be to God, the police intervened.

After our initial shock, Ed and I realized little permanent damage had been done. The eucalyptus wood remained on the property. We needed to cut the wood anyway to use at the B4PCV and to sell. Eucalyptus rapidly regrows. Our banana trees are normally cut after producing and new plants spring up. The police counseled the B4P team to remove the roof and windows and store them at their headquarters for safekeeping. Not terrific, costly, but fixable.

Augustine did not want us to witness the destruction caused by men. He did not want to view the devastation again. While sensitive to his reluctance, I knew the B4P team needed to pray on the land.

Augustine and Sylvester were somber as we climbed out of the SUVs at the site. Ed shook his head at the willful damage. "It doesn't even make sense," he said. "If you want to claim the land, why destroy what is here?"

We don't understand wickedness, but we do understand holiness. We knew what God required. We joined hands and prayed. "In the Name of Jesus we release the power of the Cross to cleanse this land from the violence that took place. We forgive those who committed the destruction. We ask You Lord to touch their hearts. We pray for the salvation of their souls. We pray they will repent of evil. Please gather them to You. We know all things work together for good for those who love You and are called according to Your purpose. We love You, Lord. Work this to Your good.

"We release healing for Augustine and Your peace. We cancel discouragement in Your Name. Thank you for blessing him. We pray for all B4P Uganda who have been harmed by this violent act.

"Thank you for B4P benefactors who have provided for the cultivation of this land to feed children who have

been orphaned. Thank you for the good harvests we have experienced. Please flourish the farm and give us even more abundant fruit."

Augustine advised, "Since this rented land has a history of contention, B4P should consider purchasing acreage." Right now, we are focused on completing our school. Perhaps in the future B4P may own farmland.

The team moved on to teach over 500 lay ministers Foundation for Healing, bless our children, attend to needs at B4PCV, input construction at B4P School, install irrigation at the B4PCV plot, teach Kid's Foundation for Healing in a completed classroom at our school, and minister Spiritual Secrets About Suicide in areas identified as having the most need.

B4P lives and teaches the heavenly pattern. Pray, repent, ask forgiveness, receive, forgive, bless, thank God for victory, and move on to the next assignment. The B4P Team quenched unholy fires in the Name of Jesus and fed the fire of Christ's love, forgiveness, and restoration that brings healing to the nations. May the fiery passion of Christ's love illuminate the world.

-Annette

We love Praise

# Catch a Wave to the Praise Cruise!!!

Cruising THIS SUNDAY the 4th of August at 4p.m.

Call 631-730-3982 for reservations aboard the **Moonchaser** (@Captree Boat Basin, Bay Shore)

- BBQ Chicken dinner
- Ranan music ministry
- Healing Prayer
- Refreshments
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THE BENEFACTORS FOR BRIDGE FOR PEACE UGANDA

### RE: APPRECIATION FOR SUPPORT TO THE COMMUNITY OF KASESE

I send you greetings from Uganda, the Pearl of Africa. I am writing to thank Bridge for Peace International and the benefactors for the support you have given to this community by putting up the following structures.

We appreciate your constructing 3 houses at Bridge for Peace Children's village in Kasese which are hosting 41 orphans plus an outdoor kitchen and separate necessary facilities for visitors. The entire area is proud of the Bridge for Peace School and dormitories that will accommodate 200 pupils from primary one to primary seven. These are assets that have developed our community and generations will benefit from them.

We thank you endlessly for all that you have done which has improved the community's livelihood. as government, and community members, we thank you all and may you keep up with this spirit. God bless you.

Yours in service,

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MASEREKA SELVEST MAPOZE MAYOR

# Local Ugandan Government Recognizes Bridge for Peace Contributions to Local Community

Citing Children's Village housing for 41 orphans and the B4P school to accommodate 200 students, the Mayor of Kasese, Uganda, offers thanks for improvements to the community. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to B4P for this work of God on earth.





Scenes from Patti's Foundation for Healing Course

## First Foundation for Healing in Uganda

Preparing for our mission to Uganda, I knew this one would be very different from other missions I have been on. Having served in Uganda as a single team, we would now be split up, serving in different ways and different areas simultaneously.

Having led the Foundation for Healing Course (a 12 week program) before, I would now be teaching it in two days to a group of catechists.

I was so blessed to have our very own Sylvester Mapose as my interpreter, which put me right at ease. The people of Kyarumba extended a very warm welcome and were eager to learn. The church I taught in brought back memories from my last visit there. It was the same place six years ago where our team prayed for the sick for many hours. Now here I was teaching and training the people to pray for the sick themselves!

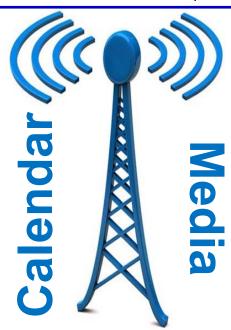
The Holy Spirit flowed through that building as the catechists grabbed hold of the truth of their spiritual inheritance and the authority of Christ to live out the Great Commission entrusted to them.

I couldn't wait for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the equipping power of God! When the time came to pray the Blood Covenant Prayer each person prayed with fervor, desiring everything God had for them. A beautiful symphony of tongues arose, filling the church with prayer and praise! It was soon time for them to begin to lay hands on and pray for one another. They gathered in small groups of three and, as I walked through the church observing, my heart leapt. I was remembering a word from our sendoff meeting, "Go teach them, so they may teach others." I knew at that moment that this was just the beginning here. The catechists would go out to pray for those they visit in homes and see healing and miracles. They would teach and equip others to do the same.

When they finished praying for one another, there were many testimonies of healing and deliverance! Faith was soaring!

I went on to teach in two other parishes. What moved my heart so deeply was the desire and longing for more of what God had for them. Each time I left wishing there had been more time, but trusting that God would continue what he had begun. Praise be to God for His goodness and grace!

—Patti Gordon



### **August**

- 4 Praise Cruise! See ad pg 3
- **10** Church of the Intercessor, Malverne. Women's retreat
- **13** Samantha's Li'l Bit of Heaven 7p.m.

### September

- **1-6** Holy Convocation. Kick-off Sunday 3 p.m. Wading River.
- **7** St Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn 10-1p.m. Message and individual healing prayer
- 10 Annette ministers healing with Fr. Roy Tvrdik @ Eastport Shrine of OLOI 7p.m.

### Annette's Blog

www.annetteeckart.blogspot.com

### **Facebook Pages**

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### **Event Details**

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### **TV Times**

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