



# Alliance For Life International<sup>®</sup>



## *Report From Uganda*

July 29, 2022

Dear Friends of the Alliance,

Greetings from Uganda. We have been in the country for the last 12 days and things are progressing. During this three-month's stay, we plan to start the bakery. As you recall, we have been ready to open since Sept 2021 except that we are still awaiting high-grade electricity. Having waited all that time, not uncommon in Uganda as they can't meet the demand, and after trying to get the local utility company to process our request, this time we came determined to go to the top.

We wrote a letter to the Chairman of this utility commission, explaining our NGO purposes and how our expansion was being affected by all these delays. Two business days later, we received a letter detailing a list of steps to take, mostly documents to provide. Most were processed already and the few remaining should be ready in a few days. We are filled with hope that finally, we shall open soon. The staff we were considering for hire are still waiting in the wings.

The St Raphael Hospital Project is moving along. We are awaiting the soil studies' report on the collected samples. There are few other requirements before we can start building the foundation for the pediatric facilities. Again, we asked God to grant us the privilege of starting construction during this stay.

The Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC) and the Billings Life Center are making inroads in our new Gayaza location. Emily has visited several denominational churches and offered our services: the teaching of the Billings Ovulation Method (BOM) of natural family planning and a series of 12 pre-marital classes. She taught the BOM to 90 new clients during this past month, and followed up with 53 learners. Emily continues to host *Life Matters* on familyradio.com. Her July programming addressed family planning and fertility awareness, the role of a father in a child's development, and domestic violence.

Emily is developing a following: couples seeking help in their relationship, often on the brinks of divorce; callers requesting counseling after the program. Recently, she counseled a 33 year old man who suffered from addiction. He claimed that she changed his life. He is no longer suicidal which was a symptom he had not shared in the encounters. He shared his testimony on a subsequent radio program. Emily's approach brings Christ at the center; He is the one responsible for healing their wounded hearts.

We found a couple, Godfrey and Beatrice, to teach the Collier Community Abstinence Program in a Kibaale high-school. Godfrey is the Project Coordinator for the St Raphael Hospital Project, and Beatrice is a teacher. They founded a school for children who lack parental support. Close to 300 children are attending the school. This is where we will conduct the Pilot program for the CCAP. Although we offered this teaching to groups of teenagers during Covid, it will be our first time in a school.

During her stay at the PRC/Bakery, Louise got acquainted with a 21 year old man who lives on the premises. He works for the property owner, performing odds and ends tasks and keeping an eye on the property since he lives on the premises in a little cabana. Louise hired him as a house cleaner for the center. Akim is Muslim. His family lives in the Jinja area. Since the Alliance moved to this location almost one year ago, Akim expressed an interest in learning about the Christian faith. Louise began to share but the language barrier was such that she did not feel confident in leading him to Christ.

Upon her return, she noticed much improvement in his English skills. This past Sunday, Akim asked to go to church with her. After the service, he accepted Christ as His Lord and Savior. He plans to attend a series of classes at the church which will prepare him to receive the sacraments. Louise gifted him with a daily devotional called: Jesus Today. Already, Akim's countenance has changed. He wants to be called Kim, his new identity as a Christian. He smiles continually, visits Louise morning and evening, requests prayers, and shares his new faith with her. Louise pointed out he seemed at peace. He said: I got, *peace and freedom; I am free*. It is so interesting, isn't it, that a new convert immediately feels the difference when Jesus comes to establish His home in him. Jesus said, *So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed* (John 8:36, NIV).

Just prior to come on this trip, Louise sent her book to *Trilogy*, the publishing arm of TBN. It is called, *SURRENDER, and discover the abundant life*. It is an account of Louise's numerous trips to Africa as a medical missionary over the last twenty years. It should reach the main distribution centers such as Amazon and other bookstores in December. These centers typically take three months to put the book on the market. We shall keep you updated.

Serving God in the mission field is challenging; the obstacles are relentless, but we overcome with His unfailing help. We find that the joys outweigh everything else. We are grateful for your support in this work. You make it possible.

We invite your continued financial support. It is needed more than ever as we move on all fronts to deliver our services. We hope that you are encouraged with our progress. On the attachment, you will find many opportunities to tailor your support to match our needs.

Thank you and God bless you,

*Always in His care,*

*Louise Allard,*

*Founder/President*



*Kim in front of our transformer, the result of much labor. We installed six poles.*



*Kim in our bakery. He keeps the place spotless.*



*Emily and a local teacher are sharing about the importance of a father in his child's development.*



*Our picturesque environment*