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Dear friends and family,

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We are back from our 5th trip to Uganda. How grateful we are to have made so many good friends and to continually witness God's faithfulness. The slum area church we first visited has grown. The pastor has begun a building program in one of the poorest sections of Kampala. To support his family he started a chicken farm which God has greatly blessed. With assistance another pastor has purchased pigs which he is breeding and ultimately will sell at market. Another has installed water purifiers and fumigates living areas for older people and the very poor. And our friend David who originally invited Judy to Uganda to speak at his church has seen his 5 acres grow into an orphanage and school with over 180 children. Of course you have a vested interest in all these activities since it is your donations whether large or small which provides the financial support, making it possible. Fulfilling God's economy.

This year we provided medical services at 2 orphanages and a community center. In addition we introduced "shoes that grow" to the delight of the children. These shoes are unique and have snaps, buckles and Velcro straps which allow for expansion in length and width. We purchased 2 purification systems from Water-Step in Louisville and have arranged to have them installed at the orphanages. For the 2 churches and community center we brought readers. They were so popular we were caught off guard. We only had 2000 pairs of readers and could have used 4-5000. For such a simple task the rewards were overwhelming. After fitting we would pray over each person. Some even cried after being able to see clearly and read their bible. It was very touching. At the orphanage we also purchased tables and benches for the dining area and new cook stoves. And we provided the funds to finish a teacher's dormitory.

Looking forward to 2017 we are exploring the possibility of securing a marine container with medical supplies and other needed items. We want to engage other ministries with ties to Uganda in order to share in the cost. A container will hold 24 pallets and the cost is almost \$20,000. Which means each pallet is between \$8-900, with no weight limit. At the Orphanage in order to meet code we will need to build a separate nursery building. And we expect to begin construction of a network to provide water to buildings and toilets

We consider it a privilege to be able to make these trips to Uganda and to sew into the lives of the pastors and orphan children. We realize we cannot do it alone and without your help. We thank you for your concern and we greatly appreciate your continuing support and prayers. To God be the Glory.

Judy & Art
Onboard Uganda Team

