

Past Projects

Established a Tailoring school 2009

This school has graduated more than 150 students and is now run as a ministry of Faith Mission Church, Lira.



Woman's Village Garden Projects Started 2007

- 2008 Garden ladies started nursery school from proceeds
- 2008 oxen given
- 2010 ladies start primary school
- 2012 ladies started taking boarding students
- 2013—200 students, nursery through 5th grade



Ajira Hospital Project:

HAN has supplied Dr Opio with surgical supplies, an operating room air conditioner through one donor, and hundreds of baby quilts for newborns made by Chewelah quilters.



History of Northern Uganda War

- Northern Uganda – devastated by rebel activity for over 20 years
- Rebels abducted more than 20,000 children
- Children pressed into service as soldiers or sex slaves
- Thousands of Children orphaned by war, HIV and other diseases



- Hundreds of thousands of people in refugee camps
- Education severely limited
- Unclean water leading to many diseases
- Minimal medical access
- Economy ruined

War ended 2007

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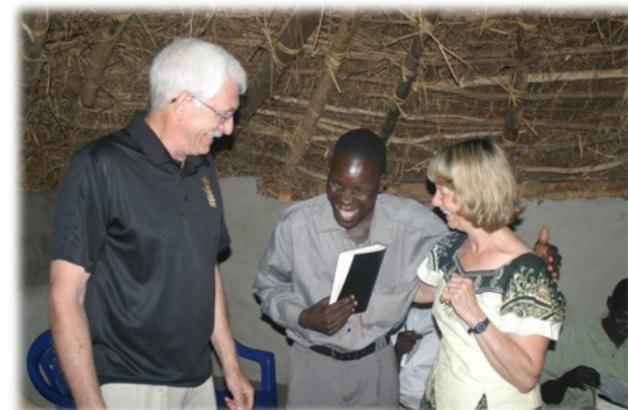


Keith & Carolyn Jones

Serving
in

Northern Uganda

Since 2001



Sharing the love of Christ in
practical ways

Preaching the Gospel



When the churches fill to overflowing, we move out under the mango trees.



New believers receive a Bible if they can read. Many Sundays people are added to God's family.

Nineteen children received Christ one Sunday morning, all of them from the school started by the Bala Garden Project ladies.

Children flock to the church services but often don't have room to sit or leaders to teach them.



Pray for those who will come and teach the children, and train teachers who will continue the work.

Clean Water

Clean water is critical for good health in Uganda

One major problem to hand drilling wells is the layer of laterite rock not far beneath the surface.

HAN has spent the last 2 years developing drilling tools to penetrate this rock that can be constructed locally by village workers, using local materials.



The last step is to install the pump and to purge the well of mud. The pumps are made from pvc pipe, and a marble.



HAN has overseen the installation of 40+ clean water spring protections since 2002.

Teaching Good Health & Healing

Dr Carolyn, physical therapist, has trained hospital staff and villagers, in basic exercises, back care, and rehabilitation for strokes, injuries, and complications of malaria.



Village seminars: Charcoal for wounds & diarrhea



This leg wound had not healed for over 20 years! With a short demonstration, this patient and his wife learned to apply a charcoal poultice.

Ordinary cooking charcoal, pounded into powder, sifted and mixed with cornmeal and water, applied twice daily, healed this wound in 5 months. Long term wounds are common. Drinking some charcoal in water, cures diarrhea, a killer of children under 5.

Glasses: Dollar store reading glasses are like gold for people who had no hope of ever being able to read or sew once their sight fails.



New Project: Learning to Read to Read the Bible

Being able to read and have access to literature is crucial to improving one's health and welfare.

The Problem



At one mud hut church, deep in the bush, this is the only woman who can read. Her Bible was a gift from Hands Across Nations last year.

20 Years of war & living in refugee camps has left more than a generation without an education.

We visited 18 different village churches. Cheers always went up at the prospect of learning to read, and having a local library

There is a Solution

HAN partnered with a Biblically based organization who has taught literacy in many languages since 1967.

Literacy & Evangelism International (LEI)

June 2013, Carolyn and Levi Abongo, from Uganda attended an intensive 5 week training course in Tulsa, OK, focused on primer development and training teachers.

Keith stayed in Uganda until Oct 2013 securing a house suitable to host a primer construction team.

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Action Items

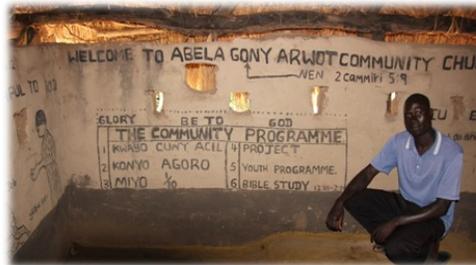
- In Uganda, Levi is assembling a team of Godly capable men to construct the 72 Lango Tribal language lessons for the primers.
- Keith and Carolyn leave for Uganda late Dec 2013 to finish preparing a work center at their home there to begin the primer construction.

LEI's Method is tried and true

- All village members are invited to reading classes
- In Lesson 12 Jesus is introduced using the new letters in the lesson to spell his name.
- Lessons 13-72 all contain Bible stories
- By lesson 72 the students will be very familiar with salvation in Christ.
- Develop church libraries in Lango Language

The Lango people are ready to learn!

- Ojwi Church 2012— Told of the coming "Learning to read to read the Bible " project.
- They decided not to wait, found a volunteer who could read and teach the Lango language, and formed a class of 20 students.
- 10 months later we saw amazing changes .



Upon Keith's return to Ojwi in August 2013

- The people had a vision.
- 19 of the 20 students could read well.
- The church roof was fixed, walls whitewashed
- Bible lessons were painted on church walls
- A most beautiful choir performed
- On the wall were written their goals:
 - ◆ Pray for the Holy Spirit each day
 - ◆ Care for the Poor & Tithe
 - ◆ Youth Program & Adult Bible Study
 - ◆ A Community Project