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New family joins Kibidula - by Bill Ross

"We have finally arrived." There are many times in life when this phrase suits the current circumstances. After much prayer and hard work we have now come to this point. We would like to introduce ourselves. We are the Ross family and are very thankful and blessed to have recently moved from the Appalachian Mountains of North Carolina, U.S.A., to Kibidula.

My wife and I accepted Jesus as our Lord and Savior in the year 2000, after living many years walking hand in hand with the world. Christ pulled us out of our sinful lives and gave us a new life in Him! Praise God! We became convicted on many Bible truths from personal study and searched for a church which stood on the Word as its foundation. We learned that the Truth will set you free! We joined the Adventist church and were baptized in 2002. Since then we have enjoyed various roles of involvement in our local church in Boone, North Carolina. We were spiritually fed, and in turn helped others learn of Jesus' love and soon return.

After a number of years, we began feeling discontented with what we were doing. We had a successful homebuilding busi-

ness, a wonderful church, and small farm in the country, but the Lord had a new plan for our lives. We became convicted to do more for Him with the talents He has given our family. Thanks to God and



Bill and Nanette Ross with Mathias, Ezra, Kiel, Joiya

the support of our many friends and family members we have been given the opportunity to follow a path of service in Tanzania. By God's grace we hope to be a blessing and a benefit to the work at Kibidula.

We are primarily here to assist with various building projects and maintenance, and to continue to raise our beautiful family of two sons and two daughters for His kingdom. We are thankful to have the privilege to be in His service and praise His holy name.

We would like to appeal to anyone who has been hearing God's call to serve. He has chosen us to finish His work, for the salvation of ourselves and of others. Trust in the Lord, be willing to follow wherever the Lamb leads, and do the work that is set before you.

"Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified." Psalm 40:16

"How God led me into the Adventist Church" - by Adraru Elizabeth Dumba

I was born into a pagan family of eight children in Uganda, of which I am the first born. My father claimed to be a member of the Anglican church and my mother, a Roman Catholic. Though they called themselves members, I didn't see them attending these churches

As I grew up, I liked going to church every Sunday to attend prayers at the church my father called his. I liked that church very much and I got baptized when I was 17 years old. I worked hard for my church and was loved very much by my church pastor and the members in my church.

One day, when I was sleeping God showed me a vision. The vision was about the ten commandments. A voice proclaimed the laws to me, starting with the first commandment. Then I

heard the second commandment and then the third. When the voice reached the fourth commandment there was silence for some minutes. After that, the proclamation continued. After the fourth commandment was proclaimed. there was an arrow like bright light pointing to it. The light from the arrow covered the fourth commandment and made it to shine brighter than the sun. Then, the light from the fourth commandment spread to all the ten commandments and made them to shine. God told me, "I have not done away with my Sabbath day." When I woke up I was so scared I did not know what to do. I took my Bible and started reading the passages that I was shown in the vision.

The following morning I went to my church pastor and told him everything about the vision. I demanded him to

tell me which is the Sabbath day. He told me the Sabbath day is Saturday. Then I asked him, "Why are we worshipping on Sunday?" He told me that it was because Jesus was resurrected on Sunday and He conquered death on Sunday that the Christian world decided to worship on Sunday rather than the Sabbath.

I saw another vision about the second coming of Jesus Christ with great glory. I could no tolerate that glory. I fell completely on the ground. I could not lift up my head, even to see Jesus in his glory. I mourned deeply, confessing my sins and pleading for forgiveness. That vision troubled me very much. I told some of my friends but they did not give me any solution to my vision

Because of these two visions I decided not to go to church for about four

Continued: "How God led me into the Adventist Church"

months. The members in the church came to my home and convinced me that I should come back to the church. They urged me that if I didn't, the devil would lead me astray.

The following Sunday I went back to church. Everybody was happy that I had come back. But I was not happy, because I knew something was missing. That very evening I prayed earnestly, pleading with God. "Why do you threaten me with all these visions? Why don't you give me the answer and the meaning of these visions? Tell me about the true church that keeps the Sabbath. I want to keep the Sabbath. Do something for me."



Elizabeth and her Bicycle

That very night, in a dream, I fell into a deep pit. In that pit were many ugly beasts of all kinds. When I reached the bottom of that pit, those ugly creatures rushed to harm me. I cried out for help.

I heard a voice say: "I will send a ladder for you so that you may walk on it until you come out of that pit". He flashed a light into that pit and the light fell on my feet. I asked him, "Where is the ladder?" "This is the ladder, walk in the light," he said. I started walking in that light, guiding my feet until I was out of that pit.

A man stood there, saying: "I have come to pick you out of that pit, so please, follow me. I will take you to the One who sent me to get you out here."

I followed him and he took me to a very big house without rooms. There were chairs in that building. He opened the door and said, "The One who sent me to get you out of that pit is that man sitting over there."

I raised my eyes and saw Jesus sitting quietly, looking. He did not say a word

to me. I turned to close the door behind me. When I turned back to where Jesus was sitting I could not see Him. The one who brought me to Him had left also.

I turned at the door and read the words Seventh-day Adventist Church. From there I came out of sleep with the words on my lips, "Seventh-day Adventist Church." I looked for a pen and a paper and wrote these words down. I praised God that He had shown me the true church.

I said, "I will look for this people who worship in this church." On Thursday, a

market day, I asked many people if they had heard about this church. No one knew anything about it. I almost gave up until a young man found me asking other people about the church. "I know that church, but it is very far from here." said the young man. "It is about 12 hours travel by bike."

I asked him to take me there, but he was not interested to do so. I begged him and said I would pay him.

The next morning at 5:00 am we left. We reached the church at 6:30 pm. There were seven members preparing to welcome the Sabbath. They warmely welcomed us. I was very happy to keep the Sabbath of the Lord for the first time.

I narrated to the pastor my three visions. He said, "What you have seen is the truth. God loves you very much, so don't keep this light to yourself."

He taught me the fundamental Adventist beliefs. I was very happy with my new faith. I was baptized on the 15th of March, 2000. Now an Adventist church stands close to my home. I thank God for that. Now I am in training to become a missionary to save souls.

Elizabeth continued to ride her bicycle 12 hours to the church each week until one was built close to her house.

She is studying at Kibidula to become a lay evangelist and graduates at the end of October.

An Adventure Begins

- by Lucas Dobyns

After I had flown into Dar es Salaam I found myself the next day all alone on a bus full of Swahili speakers. This final leg of my journey was both adventurous and lonely. Adventurous because this was my first time fully immersed in a new culture. Lonely because I had never before been so cut off from my family and friends.

The adventure began to outweigh the loneliness when we passed through Mikumi Game Reserve. I saw a herd of antelope. Zebras came into view next. The scenery reached its climax when we chanced upon a giraffe silhouetted against the backdrop of the sun.

I see now that God was trying desperately to show me that no matter how alone I felt He was with me. It seemed that God arranged the spectacular show just to make His presence known to one of His lonely children. "You are not alone. He is here," Nature spoke. "He will never leave you nor forsake you."

He has indeed been a Faithful Friend throughout these two months I've been here at Kibidula. I moved into the new School of Agriculture dormitories. There's no electricity and only one faucet for water. All meals are cooked over an open fire and all clothes are washed by hand.

I've begun teaching English and Mathematics. I also work in the fields and spend time with the students to give them an opportunity to practice their English.

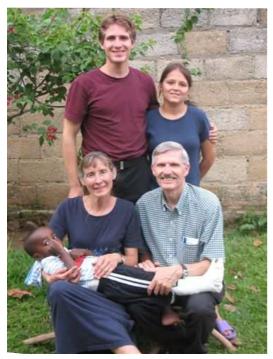
I believe God will bring me back to the



Lucas Dobyns

mission field again someday, possibly even to Kibidula. But, wherever He takes me. I know now more than ever that I can trust Him to be right at my side.

Farewell and Thanks to the Mosier family



The Mosier Family in Congo

With great sadness we leave our comfortable home, dear friends, and peaceful Tanzania. However, as we reflect on the blessings of the past, we can go forward in confidence trusting in God for His rich blessings in the future for both Kibidula and Congo Frontline Missions. And as part of this great family of God, we are still together through mutual prayers, memories, and hope in the soon second coming of Jesus. Blessings to all of you who have been involved through prayers, support and labor. Thank you."

Barry Mosier writes:

"In October 2008 our family will move to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) to join the staff of Congo Frontline Missions. We will work with our son Keith and Msafiri Mtenzi as they have started the Gospel work there in the Congo River jungle basin at Kisangani, DRC. With so few roads in passable condition, and the big lack of infrastructure, it presents a big challenge to start from nothing there.

Barry and Marybeth Mosier have been living in Tanzania for eight years. We thank Barry for his many services as Treasurer, Accountant, Publishing Director and Coordinator for Evangelism and Lay Ministries. Marybeth, we will remember as always willing to help sick people and care for pregnant women. We thank their daughter April for having been a cheerful friend to our children, and Andrew, the youngest, for

his smiles!





Barry and Marybeth on the banks of the Congo River

Venturing Out

-by Krystal Barton

I am Krystal Barton from America. I was born and raised in Colorado. After graduating from academy I started to venture from home. I went "clear" to Tennessee where I attend Southern Adventist University and began studying to be an elementary school teacher. So now, after two years with my nose in the books, I believe God has called me to venture a little farther from home as a student missionary.



Krystal Barton

So here I am at Kibidula helping to teach at the primary school. I arrived at Kibidula about a month ago and received a very warm welcome. In the short time I've been here I've seen God's work being done and the power of prayer. I can't wait to see everything God has in store for my time here. I feel so blessed to be able to work with and become friends with all the people here.

Kibidula's current project needs

• New Engine for Mission Airplane: \$28,000

11% \$24,800

Still needed

Container costs + distribution of tracts: \$5,000

\$4,900

Still needed

• Lay-Missionaries: Goal for 2008

35 Missionaries / \$70 per month each: \$29,400

73%	\$7,900
Received	Still needed

• School of Evangelism Sponsorship

Goal for 2008: 20 Students / \$250 each: \$5,000

40%	\$2,975
Received	Still needed

• 1000 Bibles in 2008 / \$5 each: \$5,000

98% Received

Kibidula Primary School running costs for 2008: \$7,000
 Thank you!

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Please write your Check to "OCI" and specify "Kibidula" and the Kibidula project you want to support.

Transfers from Europe

Please contact us, or visit our website ("How to Assist Kibidula"), for bank details in Switzerland.

Thank you very much for your assistance!

Service Opportunities

Kibidula is looking for:

- Medical Doctor
- Mechanic (cars, machines in general)
- Farm Manager
- Elementary School teacher



If you are interested in working at Kibidula please contact us via e-mail, and we can give you more detailed information regarding these Service Opportunities.