

# MAY 2021



*'In the time of my favour I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you.'*

Isaiah 49:8a

We are thankful that we had a good time with Eunice's family in Korea. We were also able to meet many friends and supporters.

The COVID situation in Uganda has been stable for the past few months. The government continues to review the situation. They have recently suspended all flights to and from India because of the outbreak there. The government has also started a vaccination programme for those over 50 years old. We have heard that Goli Health Centre has received supplies of the COVID vaccine. We thank God that the situation in Uganda has continued to remain calm since the election.

### **Nebbi Diocese**

At the end of April Nebbi Diocese had a synod meeting at which they appointed people to a committee that should nominate the next bishop. This nomination will be presented to the House of Bishops at their meeting in June. Please pray that the committee members will act wisely. Bishop Henry Orombi, former bishop/archbishop, has been acting Bishop. Please pray that there will a smooth transition as the new bishop and his team take over.

### **Preacher's Training Course (PTC)**

Since March, Rev Paul Kim has been teaching a number of small PTCs – since he could not enter the refugee camps the students had to come to him. We still hope to be able to return to the refugee camps by the summer but it depends on the COVID situation having subsided by then. Please pray that this will happen. Andrew continues to work on his teaching notes for the book of Romans.

### **Christian Resource Centre**

We thank God that the office has been running well – people continue to come for bibles, prayer books and hymn books.

### **Health Centre**

The person in charge of Goli Health Centre was recently moved to a government unit so Dr James (Diocesan Health Coordinator (DHC) is now temporarily in charge). This has left no one in the DHC position so people are waiting for Eunice to return. We thank God that Eunice's home church are considering helping to build a new children's ward in Padwot Health Centre.

Nebbi Diocese would like to start a nurse/midwife training school and they have given 10 acres of land which includes accommodation and classrooms. Eunice presented a proposal of support for this school to a number of interested groups and we were happy to receive a large donation of nursing and midwifery books from a church in England. The books have been sent out to Uganda by Revival Ministries and should arrive there soon. Pray that the school will be able to start next year.

## Joy

Joy is now in her final term and, after Easter, she was able to start attending classes physically. She was not able to sit any exams but has been assessed for all her subjects. She has already applied for a Level 2 course in childcare which she hopes to start in September.

We thank God that Joy and her granny got on well while we were in Korea. This was one of our major concerns as we felt we could not return to Uganda unless Joy and Andrew's mother developed a strong relationship. While we will always be concerned for our daughter, it seems she is ready to progress to adulthood and this is easier if we are not with her. Of course, we will be in regular contact with both her and her granny.

## Personal reflections

Even though travel was not easy, we thank God that we were able to visit Korea for almost three months. We thank God for friends who were able to arrange our 14 days isolation and for other friends who helped us to get full medical check-ups and dental treatment. Eunice was happy to reconnect with many of her friends and family members.

We thank God that we have already received our first dose of the COVID vaccine and trust that we will be able to receive our second dose in Goli. We plan to return Uganda at the end of May. Please pray for smooth travel and for all other arrangements that need to be made to allow us to get back to Goli. When we return, Eunice expects to be busy working with the five health units. Andrew expects to be involved in finishing our house in Yumbe. He also hopes to train church teachers both in Nebbi and Yumbe.

Thanks for your prayers and support.

Andrew, Eunice and Joy Moody

## Praise points

- That we had a good time with Eunice's family and friends in South Korea.
- That Joy has developed a strong relationship with her granny.
- That we had a good time with our family and friends in the UK.

## Prayer points

- That Joy will have wisdom as she moves from childhood to adulthood.
- That Nebbi Diocese will be able to find a suitable bishop and that God will help him as he brings a new leadership team together.
- That we will know God's guidance as we seek to start new ministries in Yumbe.
- That there would be real lasting peace in South Sudan.