

Dear friends,

I am writing this update under the sunshine of the tropical climate at the equator in Uganda. I am also gazing at how to travel in southeastern Uganda, where I have to supervise students doing fieldwork in different locations. I have decided to travel during the daytime so that I am able to enjoy the slopes and valleys, the fauna and flora characterizing this side of the world; I will end up in Rwanda attending a consecration of a diocesan bishop in my home diocese. Please keep Emily (who will join me towards the end) and me in your prayers.

Those who are in the USA, welcome back from the elections. Though you voted for so many people in different posts, what matters for us is who is the next president of the United States of America. Whatever the outcome, friends, know that many people all over the world were on their knees praying for you. It is our mandate to pray for our leaders because they are instituted by God, whom, in their lifetime, they are to accomplish what God has called them to do. Some leaders follow God's paths, and others follow evil's will, but God has a purpose for his people.

In this post-election, let's take some time in our thanksgiving to reflect on what God has done in our families and nation to redress what has gone wrong and strengthen what will reunite us. A family should be a place of love, support, and strengthening bonds and a place to lean on in times of difficulties. The family is the foundational institution of society ordained by God. It is constituted by marriage and is composed of persons related to one another by marriage, blood, or adoption. However, in Christ we are one family, heading to the city of God one day when we are no more!

With no doubt, then I am part of your family, and you are part of my family, though miles apart, but when my family prays for you and you also pray for us, we are connected spiritually beyond our human nature.

There are some families out there that, when they meet, reach out to the needy in one way or another. Please feel free to support those who are around you or the Square Ministries Africa family. (www.squareministriesafrica.org, go to "How you can help - Donate"). The giving is simplified with tax deduction in case you would want it. Thank you so much to those who responded to our last appeal in the last update; I believe all of you got an appreciation note.

There are also those who are familiar with giving Tuesday, which is on Tue, Dec 3, 2024, feel free to talk to your friends and let them visit our website to see where they can be involved, then "donate" according to what they are comfortable with. "God loves a cheerful giver." You can give as little as \$10 to buy a hamper for someone on a sickbay.

As you meet your family and friends over the coming Thanksgiving and the festive season, have a plan to pay us a visit. Come and see what God is doing in Africa! I assure you! You will not go back the same way.



*Our Family Photo
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Happy Thanksgiving to Everyone!!

Love and prayers,

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