

The Sudan Project is a mission outreach of the Mt. Juliet Church of Christ in Mt. Juliet, Tennessee.



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Refugee Life: Starting Over from Zero

Every day more than 2,400 South Sudanese refugees have been crossing the border into Uganda, escaping violence at home. The journey takes days, sometimes weeks, usually on foot.

The roads are too risky, so the refugees hike through the bush, fleeing gunfire and bombs, rape, torture, kidnaping and death. They must carry or wear everything they bring — shirt and pants, a dress, and maybe a cooking pot.

One church leader wrote, “We have reached the refugee camps and are starting our lives over from zero!”

By the time they reach the border, many have lost track of their spouses and children. Many have watched their loved ones die.

The UN warns that South Sudan is showing signs of “impending genocide” with the potential for a repeat of Rwanda in 1994. By the end of 2017, a million South Sudanese will have sought refuge in Uganda.

And yet what seems like tragedy is an incredible fulfillment of Romans 8:28, “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him” Because the South Sudanese are being put into various refugee camps, we are also putting our trained teachers and preachers into all of those camps; and thousands are now hearing the gospel for the first time. As a result, hundreds of South Sudanese are being baptized!

These pictures will speak louder than words of the deplorable conditions of the Christians as they try to live with less than the basics of life. But you will also see in these pictures the extreme faithfulness of our South Sudanese brothers and sisters.

Brother Sisto Mwaka is seen addressing the beneficiaries before handing out supplies. Items distributed were maize flour, water basins, washing soap, and plates.

On that day, aid was distributed to more than 500 families in the Palabek Refugee Camp, and they would like to express sincere appreciation to the church in the U.S. for reaching out to them in their great need.

Just last week Sisto wrote of baptizing another 28 souls into Christ. They are making plans to take the gospel to three new camp areas in the next week or two.



This may be their home for years to come!

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*If you don't have money, this is how you build some church pews!
The attendance at this group's first worship service was 158!*



*Pictured is another refugee group's worship service
after just five Sundays in the camp.*



A great need for food exists in all of the camps. These women are saying, "Thank you so much for helping us feed our hungry children at this critical time!"

Those receiving food relief were told that the gifts are from Christians in the U.S. who love them as brothers and sisters in Christ.



If you look closely, you will see that the people above are in a line. This is a wonderful South Sudanese custom at the end of each worship service. The first person to leave goes out; and the second person follows him, shakes his hand, and stands beside him. The next person comes out, shakes hands with the first two, and stands third in line. Every other person comes out, shakes hands with all in the line, and joins the line so that each person greets every other person who attends.



Shall we gather at the river? South Sudanese are being baptized by the hundreds! When there is no water nearby, they simply dig pits and line them with plastic tarps for baptisms.



Photo from a report from John Jock (our nurse) who was conducting a training session for some of the Nuer tribal people.