

Showing God's character to the world by bringing healing to bodies and souls

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USMM Coming Events

July

- Training for Ministry Partner
- Visits to "Timothys"
- Scouting appointments in Arua, Gulu, Kampala, Mbale, Mbararra

August

- Mission trip to Nimule with side trip to Juba—both in southern Sudan



Getting into your work!

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IDP Camps...Part of the Plan



It seems that many Ugandans are interested in doing medical mission work. Some have the gift of evangelism, some the gift of prayer and intercession, some have healthcare gifts. Only a few are called to be "Timothys"; to live a life of mission. Exposure to mission is sometimes needed to clarify the call. Think of it as Mission 101.

The challenge is to develop sites for medical mission work that do not involve extensive time commitments (away from work and family), extensive travel (chewing up time for ministry in the process), or extensive cost (fuel, housing, food, etc) as most Ugandans and their churches are unable to provide significant financial support. Where can we go, Lord? Where can we go?

The solution was right in front of me. Every time I travel to Kampala (the capital city) from my home village, Goli, I pass seven Internally Displaced People (IDP) camps. These are the sites set up and administered by the UNHCR for the victims of the Lord's Resistance Army conflict in northern Uganda. People have lived in these crowded communities for 20 years. They depend on the UNHCR for water, shelter, food, and medical care. All of these things are in short supply. How cool would it be for

Ugandans to minister to other Ugandans by providing medical and spiritual care in such settings and they begin to taste the fruit of medical mission work? Thus the IDP camps have become *part of the plan* for Uganda/Sudan Medical Mission.

Assistant/Ministry Partner



Meet the Pikwo family: Robin, Robert Jones, and Christine. Although the one in the middle is the cutest, it is Robin (on the left) that has joined USMM as a Ministry Partner. The Pikwos make their home in Goli. Robin has extensive experience in music and youth ministry. He has worked as a driver (of various sized vehicles) in Uganda and Sudan. He speaks five languages. He comes from a polygamist home where his mother was not the senior wife. Robin, his mother, and his siblings suffered terribly at the hands of the family. Robin was finally taken to live with his grandmother who was a woman of prayer. He was saved in 1983. It was a significant turning point in his relationship with God when he was able to forgive his father for his cruel treatment as a child and to begin to make contact with him after many years of silence and separation. Robin's one desire is to serve God. He would like to finish his education to become a youth minister.