



# In Deed And Truth Ministries

September/October 2009

Dear Friends,

## Walk by Faith '09

**Suzy** is looking forward to seeing many of you at this year's prayer walk fundraiser on October 17<sup>th</sup> in CA. Our goal is to raise \$100,000 for the new medical clinic building and buy an ambulance. If you feel led to help us reach our goal, please visit our web-site for walker and sponsor information. Please join Suzy for a fun, family friendly event where we will focus our walking time on praying for the ministries' specific needs.

**While** in CA for 13 days, Suzy will be sharing at several different locations to raise awareness and funds for the ministry. If you are interested in hearing her speak, please email us for more details on her schedule.

## 2010 Calendar!

**One** way you can support our ministry is through the purchase of our ministry calendar as gifts for family and friends. The calendar is beautifully designed and ready for distribution at a suggested donation of \$10.

## Fun with the Film Crew!

**During** the month of August we had a film crew from Nairobi come and document our work in Tonj. The 19 minute clip vividly indulges the audience in the culture of South Sudan, our family life and our two projects. It's an amazing testimony of what God has accomplished through us in the past 10 years and Suzy is excited to come with this new footage when she visits the USA in mid-October. Please let us know if you would like a personal copy or a five minute version suitable for church viewing.



Filming in Tonj, Sudan

## Home Church Nourishment!

**One** extra blessing we received in August was a chance to meet up in Nairobi with Pastor Bob and his wife Bonnie from our home church in San Diego. The Lord used their visit to really encourage and nourish our hearts for the calling the Lord has placed on us in Africa. It was a welcome break to step out of Sudan for a short visit and be refreshed by them. We are often overwhelmed and feel alone but their presence was used by the Lord to show us we are part of the family at Horizon Church. It was our greatest joy to have them meet our new family member Agum (or Gummy Bear as we like to call her)!



Pastor Bob and his wife Bonnie with our family in Nairobi

## Short and Long Term Teams!

**Suzy** will travel back to Sudan with a team from Rancho Del Rey Church in CA. They will spend 10 days filling in for teaching the pastors while the Losee's are on home leave. They'll also work in the medical clinic and help with outreaches. Two of the team members will stay for longer, helping in the clinic and with administration. Please pray for the team and for Stacey and Sheena as they prepare to fly.

**Mark** Rocello is still with us until February; serving as chaplain in our clinic, helping with the pastor teaching when needed and building up the young men in the compound in the Word. It is a tremendous blessing to have these individuals willing to serve for longer periods. There is so much more we can accomplish through them when they are here for several months. We praise the Lord for them and ask you to pray for more long term volunteers to partner with us. God is at work and using Mark's youth, singleness and humility to reach and teach several young men and we are already seeing fruit develop in their lives. They're asking to be baptized and devouring the bible. Hallelujah!

## Baptism!

**We** were blessed in the month of August to have some of the believers baptized in the Tonj River. It's the first baptism we have had in Tonj, and what a blessing to see the small group of believers here taking that step to declare their faith in Jesus Christ.



**Sabet Sharing Before Baptism in Tonj River**

**Fifteen** young men made a decision to be baptized by emersion in water. This is foreign to the culture as the method of baptism known in Sudan is the sprinkling of water on the forehead as a baby. This is practiced by both the Catholic and Episcopal church, the only recognized denominations in the South.

**Mabior** was one that chose to get baptized. As a boy from the village, Mabior grew up to be a man that didn't know the true God and though he heard about the church never visited. Here in our compound he learnt about God from reading the bible during our morning staff devotions. He heard many testimonies from us and visiting missionaries and God began to work in his heart. He came to the Lord in repentance and since that day he has chosen Jesus Christ to be his Savior. Though he has small knowledge of reading Dinka, he tries very hard to read the Word of God and to get more and more out of it. The Lord sent Mark Rocello to us and to Mabior at a time when Mabior needed help in maturing his faith. They study the Word together and what a tremendous blessing to witness this mans love for the Lord and desiring to walk according to His ways. We see the joy in his face and the satisfaction in the Word and his hunger for more!

**"We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."**  
**Romans 6:4**

**Peter** Malok, who is our Pharmacist in the clinic, also made the step to declare his faith in Jesus publicly through the baptism and dying to the flesh and being raised to the newness of life through Christ. Peter was raised Catholic

and what a joy it was to see in Peter, the day he got baptized, a smile he couldn't contain as he obediently followed the Holy Spirit leading him to get baptized! Peter had to go through a difficult trial in his early Christian walk, saying no to the culture and choosing to live for the Lord and live righteously. His father wanted him to marry a daughter of well known spear master (witchcraft) and came to us seeking counsel from the Bible regarding this marriage. He made the decision to refuse to marry her and stood up to the witchdoctor who threatened to curse him and also against the culture and his own family.

**Donato**, many of you will remember this 12 year old boy who last year ended up in our medical clinic after being brutally attacked with a machete and left for dead. He has been living in our compound while attending school and also attending devotions and church with us. Mark has also been sharing the Word and Mabior has been reading to him the bible. Donato asked Jesus to be his Savior while he was with us in Nairobi last Christmas getting medical treatment. His decision to get baptized was very special to our hearts. The Lord has completely transformed this young boys life.



**Donato Getting Baptized**

## Prayer Requests!

- ❖ For the success of the upcoming prayer-walk fundraiser.
- ❖ Safe travel for Suzy and strength as she travels to USA and back.
- ❖ Long-term volunteers to partner with us.
- ❖ Growth in the new believers in Christ.
- ❖ For upcoming teams for their preparation, provision and protection.

Thank you for partnering with us through prayer and financial support and let us know how we might pray for you also.

Serving Together,

*Sabet, Suzy, Hannah, Jed and Agum Kuj*