

✦ In many parts of the world where worms are prevalent, they don't say their "stomachs are growling" when hungry, but rather, "The worms are calling."

This word-picture graphically illustrates the condition we face in Sudan. Many of the orphans we have "inherited" are infected with various kinds of worms from years of drinking



contaminated water. Thanks to the many of you who support CrossWay International, they now have clean drinking water from the water wells you helped to provide. But unfortunately, the worms and other diseases

have already taken hold. I just spoke to Moses, our administrator/overseer in the village of Adoor, Sudan. He informed me that we now have 495 orphans ("The CrossWay Kids"), and many of these have such parasites. The first 150 orphans were abandoned by the Arab Muslims from the north who did not want them, as they were the offspring from captured women from southern Sudan. These women and girls had been taken as slaves, and the Arab Muslims did not want the resulting children. So they brought them back down south and abandoned them. The rest of the orphans have come from the Darfur region, which is very close to this village, located in the military corridor between northern and southern Sudan. The unrest in this area is getting worse, and we have inherited some of this fallout. I have told Moses not to take on any more kids until we can get these in better shape.

We have received just enough support to feed the kids through this year. In fact, they bought 2 goats this week to

slaughter so the kids could have some small portion of meat along with the sorghum which they eat for breakfast and supper. No food is offered for lunch right now— only hot tea.

Please pray with us as we attempt to help where we can, and as we look to the Lord for his provision and leading. Pray also for the CrossWay Sudan Board, which met for the first time on July 1st, and also for Moses, the overseer of the CrossWay Kids, and his assistant, Gabriel.

- *You can't help everyone with everything, but you can help someone with something.*
- *Sympathy is no substitute for action.*
-David Livingstone

Families and Students Raise Funds for Sudan/Orphans

Stephen and Jenny Holsinger from Sterling, VA and their kids were moved by the plight of the orphans in Sudan and wanted to help. The family organized a yard sale to benefit the orphans. They arranged their tables and put up a sign that said all proceeds would go to Crossway to buy mosquito nets. The kids were excited to see people donate money without even buying anything, and that day they raised \$100 for the kids in Sudan. Thank you to the

Holsinger family for their special heart and efforts for the orphans!



Jenny Holsinger and two of their daughters.

*Thanks to Becca Nichols of Clearwater, Kansas. This motivated 10-year-old helped raise \$265.14 for bicycles for pastors in Sudan. Thank you, Becca!

*The Middle School at Faith Community Church in Crofton, MD had a car wash and raised \$300 for the orphans in Sudan. Thank you to Terry Paige and his big-hearted students!

Team Development in Sudan

Sudan Board of Directors:

Wilson Garang Chan
Isaiah Dau
Mercy Ambuka
Kenneth Gatithi
Charles Ngondi

The Board of Directors for CrossWay Sudan met for the first time this July 1st. Wilson Garang Chan, Isaiah Dau and several others have taken the first step toward providing the necessary structure and guidance for directing the work through CrossWay International. This ministry will involve reaching out to surrounding communities and villages to share the gospel and overseeing the growing humanitarian needs in southern Sudan. These urgent needs include food and care for orphans and the drilling of water wells in southern Sudan near the Darfur region.

We hope and pray that God might use us all in caring for the hurting, both spiritually and physically. Please pray with us that God would provide for the great needs around us. Pray also for Bob Nicol, the Engineering Consultant for Crossway, as he will be in Baghdad for two weeks in July. Then the last week of July, he is scheduled to visit with the Crossway Sudan Board in Kenya and research two water wells that we hope to drill in the near future.

Dean Receives Award

I was very humbled and excited to receive the Alumnus of the Year Award from Capital Bible Seminary this past May 2008. With my extensive traveling and chaotic lifestyle, I had only returned to see the campus once in the past 30 years. I was surprised they even remembered me at all! This was also the first time I ever walked across their stage, since I missed the graduation service when I first graduated from CBS with a Th.M. in Old Testament Studies. I moved shortly after classes were over in May of '78 to the San Antonio,

Texas area, then bought a bus ticket with the intention of heading back to graduation in Lanham, Maryland. But I became ill on the bus and turned around, missing my own graduation.

What an unexpected blessing, to return so many years later to receive such an award!



Technical Difficulties

For several months now, the computers in our office have had almost constant technical issues. We have a wonderful tech guy, Brian Bond, who attacks every problem as it arises, but the computers continue to hiccup. Also, a virus repeatedly hit one of our evangelistic websites, as if someone targeted the site to bring it down. These issues interrupt the flow of our office work, and we are praying against any technical or spiritual impediment to our work for the Lord! We would appreciate your prayers, too (see request below).

Praises and Prayers

† Praise Items:

- Praise the Lord that the management team to oversee orphans is coming together.
- Praise the Lord for increase in support. The Lord is rarely early, but He's never late.
- Praise the Lord for additional members who have been added to Crossway International: Bob Nicol- Engineering Consultant; Dr. Katie Buck- Medical Consultant.
- Praise the Lord for the Christian Compound in Meki, Ethiopia and the potential it has (evangelism, English School, clinic, etc.).

† Prayer Items:

- Pray for the needed increase in prayer and financial support for our expanding projects and the large number of orphans.
- Pray for Dean's upcoming itinerary as he makes his travel plans for the fall and winter.
- Pray for Bob Nicol as he travels to Kenya and Ethiopia to research water wells for those two countries.
- Please pray for technical difficulties we've had with our computers and virus attacks on our websites. These have interrupted our daily office work. Pray also for Brian Bond, our hard-working tech man.