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O Satisfy Us Early with Thy Mercy,

My dear praying church families, thank you so much for your prayers! I am so glad to be alive to tell you of God's amazing protection. Praise the Lord! The Sunday evening of September 13, between 4:15 and 4:30 (church starts at 5:00), the cement ceiling in the new church building collapsed destroying the empty wooden pews below! I was still in my room and heard the noise. We had church that morning and I remember looking up at the very very high ceiling, noticing the very white color. I would have noticed if there were any cracks—it was very smooth. The ceiling had only been finished about 5 months ago, so, this was quite a shock!

Our orphans had just returned at the end of the week for term 3 of school to start, so we were all here. Praise the Lord the ceiling fell before the building was filled with all our orphans, missionaries and church attendants! I praise and thank God for His amazing protection and mercy. We are having church meetings in the old sanctuary at the school property. Please pray as the debris is cleared away and a different ceiling material and different contractors can be found to repair the church building. Because of God's protection and mercy, third term of school started on schedule the next day, Monday!

Wow! So, we are currently in third term of school. You will remember that in Uganda, school starts the first week in February. There are three terms with short school breaks between term 1 and 2, and terms 2 and 3. The school year ends when term 3 ends. (The ceiling fell the Sunday before the first day of term 3.) Please pray for our Primary level 7 pupils as we prepare them to take the National Primary Leaving Exam (PLE) November 2 and 3.

During the school break, I was able to go to Kampala and get printed children's devotional books for my Primary level 5, level 6 and level 7 classes. Many of our children have made professions of faith. They memorize scripture to get their own Bibles, now they have some devotional books to encourage them to have a quiet time every day. They have notebooks for preaching notes, and on Wednesday nights, some national preachers-in-training have a special youth group time with them. They are also planning a youth conference soon. The youth are the future. Please pray that here at Soroti Orphan Assistance Project (SOAP), we will see our orphans grow in grace!

Beatrice, the national lady I am training to teach the Asuret village ladies' Bible study is doing a really good job! It is very encouraging to see the good attendance and response to her teaching. It is even better than I hoped for!

That We May Rejoice and be Glad All Our Days,

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Psalm 90:14