



And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick

Luke 9:2

DEAR PRAYING FRIENDS,

MARCH 2026

Thank you all so much for your faithful prayers and support for us here in Soroti, Uganda. We are genuinely grateful for your partnership in the work the Lord is doing here. May the Lord Jesus Christ greatly bless you!

SOROTI ORPHAN ASSISTANCE PROJECT (SOAP):

The 2026 school year for the children at SOAP began on February 6th. This year we admitted 20 new children, bringing the total number of orphans under our care to 58, all of whom are enrolled in our Independent Baptist School. This is the largest number of children we have ever received into the program. Much of this growth was made possible by the completion of our new boys' dormitory, which has allowed us to expand our capacity and welcome many more destitute orphans from the Soroti area. It is truly a blessing to see the Lord open the door for us to minister to additional children who need both physical care and the hope of the Gospel.

PROFESSIONS OF FAITH:

Two of our orphans at SOAP recently came to one of their teachers expressing a desire to be saved. Justin and Rebecca were then directed to one of our missionary colleagues, who carefully explained the Gospel to confirm they understood the plan of salvation and their need to trust Christ. Both children placed their faith in the Lord, and we are very thankful for their decision. Justin was especially excited to begin memorizing Scripture so that he may earn his first Bible.

SALVATION AND DISCIPLESHIP:

Earlier this year, one of our teachers, James Peter, made a profession of faith in Christ after a morning service in which I had preached. I now have the privilege of personally discipling him as we begin a year-long study through the Scriptures. James has shown a genuine desire to learn and asks many thoughtful questions, which makes our time together especially worthwhile. Please pray for James Peter to grow in his faith and to develop a deeper understanding of God's Word.

YOUTH MINISTRY:

My colleague, Matt Gardner, and I recently began a Youth Group ministry at Temple Baptist Church, which started in early March. As it is often said, "*the future of any nation lies in its youth.*" Our desire is to invest in the lives of the young people in our church while also reaching youth from the surrounding community. Two of our church members who are preparing for pastoral ministry are faithfully helping lead the weekly youth services. It has been encouraging to see these young men step forward and serve as they guide and challenge the youth from God's Word.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Spiritual growth of James Peter through our discipleship.
- Swift adaptation for the new orphans now at SOAP.
- Outreach for community teens to participate in the Youth Ministry.
- Childcare solution for Bro. Gardner after his return to Uganda.

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THE CHILDREN OF SOAP 2026



JAMES PETER, A NEW BELIEVER IN CHRIST!



JUSTIN AND REBECCA, BELIEVERS IN CHRIST!