

Dear Friends and Family,

I am incredibly excited to have the opportunity to go on a semester-long mission trip/ internship this fall to Uganda. I had asked God half-heartedly for this near the beginning of my summer, and have been blessed with the most incredible and unexpected turn of events. I will be serving there from September 13 thru to December 13 under the leadership of Pastor Paul Omakada and the Saemaul Undong (New Village Movement) in both sub-urban and rural areas around the City of Kampala. Saemaul Undong is a South Korean community development model, designed to promote a mindset change in the rural communities in Uganda as a vehicle for socio-economic change and transformation. I will be working as an intern of Oral Roberts University, and earning credit this fall under a newly released program related to my International Relations major.

I will be learning under Pastor Paul as I stay with him and his family for the duration of these three months in the capital, both in spirit and in leadership skills. I will get to enjoy good Ugandan home cooked meals, worship both during the day and night, and the Ugandan climate, which over all, is surprisingly cooler than Texas. I will be offering what little I have in child care, and communications to Paul and his organization, as well as whatever physical labor I am able to do.

While I am there, I hope to learn more about faith in God and the kind of faith that can heal the sick and cure the incurable in a country without America's standard of medical care or advanced technology in one's daily life.

I would love it if you would pray for this trip to go well, and for my growth and a permanent change as I journey thru yet another new country. Pray especially for the blessings of the Omakada family for taking me in, and for all of our well-being through these next few months. Please also pray for effectiveness in all we set our hands to do and for a community that is impacted positively thru our faith and works.

As a third world country, Ugandan children are very much in need of things many of us take for granted in America, chief among them being school supplies. Pastor Omakada supports several orphanages and any school supplies I can bring, such as bound note books, pens, #2 pencils, colored pencils, sharpeners, rulers, erasers, markers, etc. would be greatly appreciated. If you have school supplies or gently used clothes that you would like to donate to these orphanages, please let me know so I can bring them with me.

If you would like to help with financial support for this mission trip, please also let me know. Any finances received will go directly to cover my monthly expenses (estimated at \$800/mo) and any excess will be given to support orphanages we will work with in the area. Financial gifts are tax deductible if made out to "New Victory Temple Church" and mailed to:

New Victory Temple Church
Attn: Uganda Mission - Zach
P.O. Box 2367
Bryan, TX 77806-2367

Any support you are able to provide in the way of prayer or giving is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your love, encouragement and support.

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