

# South Sudan African Mission

Over 30 Years of Service to the People of South Sudan

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## Dr. John is Coming to the U.S.

When the SSAM team was in South Sudan in January, 2022, we discussed the possibility of Dr. John coming to the States. The process has been long; but by the time you read this newsletter, Dr. John should be in the United States.

Dr. John has been granted a one-year long visa; he can stay in the States for three months on each visit. It will be possible to extend another year when there is a need to travel again.

To quote Dr. John, *“this opportunity is so profound. I am excited and I can’t express in words how grateful I and local team are about this. I will bring the SSAM Christian’s gratitude in person to the USA and tell everyone in pictures and in spirit. The ministry of Christ has no borders indeed, and we need one world that praises and glorifies the name our Lord Jesus Christ. I am not forgetting that my coming to the USA is a miracle. I got to come in the time of COVID-19 pandemic backlog where people wait for more than two years to travel overseas.”*

Our delegation will be traveling between September 10-14. And the three-month period will begin upon his arrival. Church tours can begin the third week of September. “I am the only Christian religious leader traveling with the government delegation to the US”, said Dr. John recently. As you can see from our following schedule, we are going to be very busy. If you would like to have us visit your church and we can fit it into the schedule, we would be very happy to come and have you meet Dr. John. He will tell you firsthand how things are going in South Sudan.

If you would like to help with the extra expenses with Dr. John and his travel, SSAM would welcome your financial help. Here is our schedule:

- September 18 a.m. – New Testament Church, Keokuk, IA
- September 25 a.m. – Church of Christ, Superior, NE
- September 28, 7 p.m. The Church in Loveland, CO
- October 2 a.m. – Central Church of Christ, Gering NE
- October 9 a.m. – Hope Summit Christian Church, Rochester, MN
- October 16 a.m. – Westside Christian Church, Roseburg, OR
- October 23 a.m. – Harvest Christian Church, Troutdale, OR
- October 30 a.m. – Northland Christian Church, Kansas City, MO
- November 3-5– International Conference of Missions, Columbus, OH
- November 11 – IDES Board meeting, Noblesville, IN
- November 20 a.m. - Church of Christ, Concord, MN
- November 28 a.m. – Church of Christ, Kasson, MN
- December 4 a.m. - Worthington, MN Christian Church



Dr. John with his sons, Marshal (L) and Ethan (R)

## Report from Dr. John

It has been a trying time for the Christians in South Sudan. We are thanking God that many are fighting through several obstacle to serve the Lord in different capacities. Some by administering healthcare services at Malek Christian Hospital; some by preaching the good news in their community, some by offering counselling services to the most hopeless.

The Aweil Bible College will reopen after students and teachers requested a short break to be home with their families during farming seasons (June — July).

### September 4:

Hello Sister Bev,  
I am at the hospital now with my son Marshall. He fell and his friend fell onto his thigh which resulted in a thigh bone fracture. We are requesting your prayers as we prepare him for a bone surgery. As of Tuesday, September 6, Marshall has had surgery to set his femur bone and will be in the hospital three days and will continue physical therapy at home.



Students meeting at the Aweil property.

## PRAYER REQUESTS and PRAISES



- Safety as Dr. John travels to the United States
- That Dr. John’s son Marshall’s leg will heal with no complications
- Travel mercies as we visit churches & individuals
- People will help provide funds for the Matuic Church of Christ

*Praise!* Dr. John is allowed to travel to the U.S.

## Matuic Church of Christ

The roof of the Matuic Church of Christ recently collapsed due to heavy rain. The members of the congregation have been busy making bricks for their new structure and are asking for \$10,000 to put a metal roof on their church building.



Bricks made by the Matuic Church of Christ for their future building drying.



Matuic Church of Christ meeting outside now.

## Can You Help Matuic?

Any gift you consider will help reach our \$10,000 goal for a metal roof.

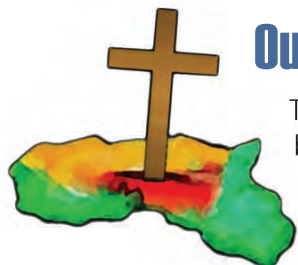
## Luka Chan, Aweil’s New Principal



Aweil Bible College has appointed Luka Chan as their principal after the passing of Anthony earlier this year.



# Celebrating Over 30 Years of Service to the People of South Sudan



## Our History

The South Sudan African Mission began in 1988 when IDES (International Disaster Emergency Service) of Noblesville, IN sent Paul and Marilyn Douglass to Khartoum, Sudan.

IDES had sent a mobile workshop to Sudan to repair hospital equipment but no one in the country was trained to operate the equipment. Because of Paul's abilities and his Master of Science degree, he was accepted by the Sudanese

government to teach the native men to use the mobile workshop.



One of the young men working with Paul was Yournew, a well-known and greatly respected man of the Dinka tribe of South Sudan. Through the teaching and example of Paul and Marilyn, Yournew was baptized into Christ.

As a result of South Sudan African Mission, Aweil Bible College was founded and in 2007 with eighteen in the first graduating class. To date there has been over 75 graduates. The Malek Christian Hospital, funded by SSAM, opened their doors in October 2009.

Bev Douglass Meyer, daughter of Paul and the late Marilyn Douglass began working with the South Sudan African Mission in 2009. Paul retired from SSAM in 2012 and Steve Holsinger was appointed Director of Operations by the SSAM board and Bev as Director of Communications.



South Sudan African Mission's board of directors includes Bev Douglass Meyer (Executive Director), Wayne Rowe (Chairman of the Board), Phil Sheldon (Vice President), Tom Santillanes (Treasurer), Archie Word, Jr. (Secretary), Stan Davis and David Barber. The In-Country Board of Directors include, Dr. John, Yournew, Angelo, Joseph, Daniel, Anthony and Ezra.

## Mission Statement

*Equipping leaders, establishing New Testament Churches and extending compassion to South Sudan.*



# How Can I Help?

**PRAY** for Bev Douglass Meyer as she works with the new evangelists and the Sudanese people to spread the Gospel in Sudan...



*Thank you*

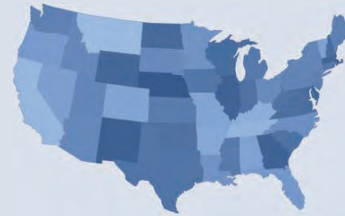
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**You can also send a check, payable to:**

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