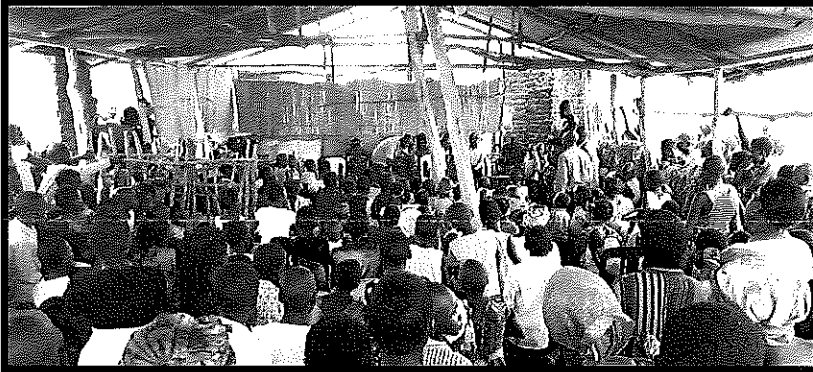




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**“Then He took a little child and set him in the midst of them.”
Mark 9:36 NKJV**

Friends: May the Lord Jesus Christ bless you and yours in the new year of 2022! Glory to our faithful God and Savior who blesses His people with every spiritual blessing in Christ. We see His lowly heart of kindness and mercy as He took a little child and blessed him. By His mercies and will, He has enabled us to bless many children and families in evangelistic Christmas Outreaches this year. Our outreaches were expanded this year as children received the gospel and love in N. Kenya, Mali, India, Zambia, Rwanda, and the DRC, as well as in Uganda. Some of these were done in collaboration with our ministry friends Mission To Children once again; we are thankful for these good friends. Overall about 6000 children plus youth and adults were blessed with love, the gospel, a meal, a gift, and with the hope that attends the blessed Christmas story. In the Lord’s plan, this was our largest outreach ever at Christmas. Professions of faith in Christ were made by children and adults, and we encouraged continuing ministry to children through Bible and discipleship meetings in the local churches. In Uganda, our good friend and co-worker, Pastor Alex Minge, taught church leaders in the use of children’s discipleship materials for the subsequent children’s meetings in all 9 outreaches he led throughout the country. Most of these were held in rural areas, and though Uganda still struggles with COVID-19 the meetings were considered to be safe by local leaders. At the left from the top down are photos of outreaches in Morungatun, Dokolo, Bulangira, and Pader. Outreaches in Uganda were also held in Moroto, Bulambuli, Mbale, Busia, and Nebbi. In Pader, Alex wrote: “The community was full of joy with others climbing mango trees to

be able to see the activities well.” One of the activities was the tug-of-war! Also: “Thank you so much for your prayers; we had a very good time in Dokolo yesterday, 425 children attended and 50 adults. We had 25 professions of faith. Every place we go to I spend time with the leaders helping them on the need to strengthen children ministry.” In Karnataka, India, our friend Pastor Johnson Babu used funds we sent him to purchase gifts for children in the church and saris for widows the church helps. In the DRC Pastor Evariste blessed

children with gifts of rice. Both of these areas have seen recent violence and increasing persecution. In N. Rwanda, our friend Pastor Augustine blessed children and baptized 9 Batwa (Pygmy) that he serves in the churches there. In Mali 220 children (many of them are Garibou street children) were blessed in Christmas Outreach. We rejoice in the Lord’s grace that we could bring the good news and love to the children and people this year! Please pray for conversions, for good discipleship Meetings in the various churches and locations, for good fruit—for His glory and the people’s good. Thank you to all who are a part of this work for your prayers and gifts!

KAPPY'S CORNER—The New Year 2022

Greetings in Christ!

I wrote last January:

"As we enter the year 2021, we are grateful the Lord has kept us here on earth to see the New Year. Many of us have lost loved ones and friends to this virus in the past year. Many of us know someone who was (or is) infected, and we pray for their survival. With a new strain making its appearance and changing daily, we may be wondering what this year will hold. What will 2021 be remembered for?"

I could write the same this January, substituting 2022 for 2021. In talking to others, I know I'm not the only one who thought COVID would end last year. With the Psalmist, I've asked, "How long, O Lord?" COVID keeps lingering and mutating.

On the surface, it doesn't look like much has changed since last January. But much has changed, at least in my heart. My faith and trust in my Savior have grown. As I look back at the danger, I see God's deliverance. In our grief I see His grace. In answer to our prayers, I see His providence, His faithfulness, His love and His mercy. Looking ahead, I pray expectantly for His work in my heart to continue. And I pray expectantly for the Lord's work to continue in your life and heart as well. How will 2022 be remembered?

"But I will hope continually,
And I will praise You yet more and more.
My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness
And Your salvation all the day,
For I do not know their limits.
I will go in the strength of the Lord God;
I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only."
Psalm 71:14-16 NKJV

May our Lord bless you in His sufficient grace.

Love and thanks,

Jim and Kappy

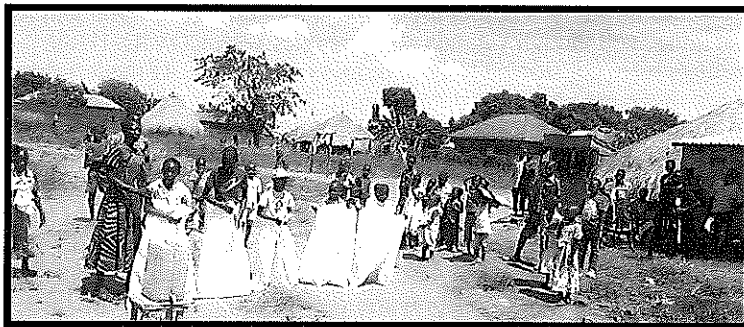
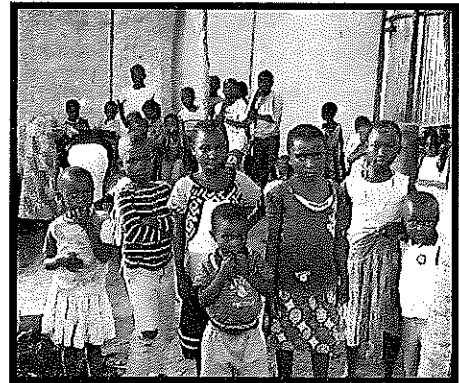
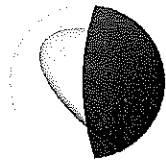


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