

Macleods on a Mission

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The Macleod family serving in South Sudan with In Deed And Truth Ministries

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Hi there to everyone who continues to read these newsletters, seven years into our journey in South Sudan. We appreciate your love, prayers and support so much!

As we prepare to finish this year, and this shortened term on the field (because of covid), we wish you all a safe, healthy and joyful end to 2021 and beginning of 2022.

Partnerships

It's so amazing to see the body of Christ doing what it is supposed to do – working together, each using their gifts and resources and partnering with the powerful Spirit of God, to see healing and hope come to the earth. We are all commissioned to care for the poor. For some of us, that means living among them, for others, visiting short term and for others, giving of time, money, intellectual or emotional resources from afar.

These last two months we have been blessed to partner with some amazing people and organisations:

Cleft lip repair: Samaritans Purse run an incredible program doing cleft lip repairs. Here are some of the gorgeous Tonj smiles that have been restored, and along with the smiles, the chance of marriage and a normal life in this community. So thankful for all the amazing people who make this happen.



Fistula surgery: I was over the moon to hear about an opportunity for ladies suffering from fistula in our community to receive free surgery in Juba, thanks to the Barbara May Foundation. To hear more about fistula and what can be done about this debilitating problem, visit their website. Some of these ladies had been suffering for many years with this awful condition and had no hope of cure. Now they are all smiles and are back off home to find other women with this problem who we can also send to be helped.



Cataract operations: Last week we hosted a wonderful team from Samaritans Purse and Tenwek Hospital in Kenya, who worked from sunup to sundown to operate on 392 patients in one week!

It's so much fun watching these beautiful old people dancing for joy as they see again for the first time in decades. None of these ladies below could see to walk alone before surgery. This is them on their way out.



Middle: Two witch doctors (front, left and centre) who had their vision restored and have now decided to follow Jesus

Youth Conference

This year in August, Calvary Chapel Tonj was able to host its first ever youth conference. We had over 300 youth attending for 2 days, representing all 16 of our village church plants. Similar to most youth conferences around the world, these youth were full of energy! We sang, danced, laughed, listened, ate, prayed, shared and competed the weekend away. Unlike previous youth conferences I've been to, some of these youth walked huge distances over flooded paths, slept on hard ground and helped to slaughter and butcher the bull for their lunch. Best of all, God was there. We have already heard many testimonies of lives impacted by the teaching and encounters of that weekend, but I'm sure we will never know it's full impact. Definitely hoping it's something we can do again.



To see a 2 minute video for a better idea of what it looked like, click here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17bRigi-QQSbyBo9udjRA8WTbw2pU9wZY/view?usp=sharing>

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2. Donate to Kiwis for South Sudan @ www.givealittle.co.nz/org/kfss to get behind medical and development projects that IDAT is running.

