



# Newsletter

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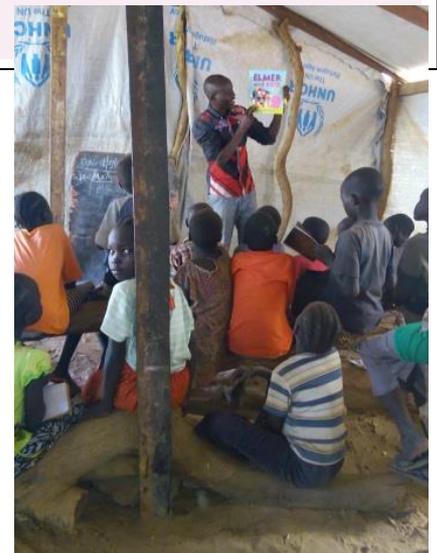
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Dear all,

First of all I would like to thank everyone who is supporting me through prayers, encouraging messages and financial support. I am so blessed to experience that we are together in this ministry in South Sudan. Since the beginning of my ministry in South Sudan it has been on my heart to reach out to the people in Nuba Mountains. Some of my colleagues had the same desire and God made a way for us to serve in Ajuong Thok; a refugee camp nearby the border of Sudan for refugees from Nuba Mountains. The organization Luthern World Federation invited us to facilitate a certificate program for 80 student-teachers.

In the month May I was blessed to teach the students for one full month. Though living in the camp is not easy due to lack of healthy food items, difficult weather situations (wind storms/heat) and sickness, it is a safe haven for the people from Nuba. On Sundays I visited various churches and every week I was encouraged to see the great passion of the people for Jesus. They worship God with great joy! One preacher shared during a service that there is a great purpose for the refugees to be in this camp, because this is the right moment for them to share the gospel with all people living in and outside the camp. I experienced that most people are indeed 'thirsty' to hear more about the gospel.

While teaching I was especially impressed by the great potential of the student-teachers. They are hard-working and are having a desire to make a difference in the lives of the children in this camp. While interacting with them we discovered how to be a change-agent as teacher, how to activate children while teaching, how to make lessons meaningful and how to integrate biblical concepts in a lesson. During demonstration lessons the students experienced how to make a lesson enjoyable. The students implemented the new ideas immediately in their own class and the children in the school enjoyed the new teaching styles of their teachers.



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