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Dear Friends,

Life at the Anglican Church Centre is good. I moved into my home in October and, once I had put my bed together and my mosquito net up, I really felt at home, and quickly adjusted to life with a sawdust toilet! In January a Canadian team drilled holes for a curtain track, so I could put my curtains up. Thank you Chuck and Marlon!



Thank you too for all who prayed for the exams. The students passed their Old Testament and Bible Interpretation courses and then we all had a much-needed break. Our students had holidays, and I volunteered with Prison Fellowship and helped out at my home church while my work permit and new ID card were processed. On 25 January we began our second semester – the students are still as keen to learn. This semester I am teaching the second part of 'Introduction to

the Old Testament' and 'Introduction to the New Testament'. Please pray for the students, that God would teach them more of

himself, and equip them to lead the Church in Ethiopia.

There is little we can teach our students about evangelism... in an oral culture, sharing good news is as natural as breathing... so the news of free salvation by grace through faith in Jesus's finished work spreads like wild fire and people are



responding by the hundreds! Reason alone fails to explain the phenomenal growth of the Anglican Church in this area... the Holy Spirit is at work. He is moving and we are simply following in his wake. Please pray that all in the Gambella People's Region will come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.



Each morning I walk out the door to a spectacular view. I smile when I see the young marabou storks sitting on a tree top in the middle of the corn field. Our church had a reasonable harvest of corn, as they have irrigation channels from the nearby river. But rains in the region failed, so the farmers have had poor harvests for the second year in a row. Psalm 27 13-14 says: 'I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage, wait for the Lord!' Ask God to strengthen people's hearts, give them courage, and provide for Ethiopia. It is estimated that four million people need food aid.

I am grateful for each of you as you partner in this work. May his Spirit continue to work in and through each of us all to bring his kingdom wherever he has placed us.

Wishing you all a joyful and blessed 2016.

In Christ's love,

Karen

