



FLYING FOR LIFE

in South Sudan

Newsletter Hobo family

"Don't shine so others can see you. Shine so that through you, others can see Him"
- C.S. Lewis -



Dear friends and family,

Warm regards from South Sudan! In this newsletter more about one of our partner organizations, moving house, a seriously injured boy and our scheduled home assignment. Enjoy reading!

Wim & Marlies and Yenthe

Mother and child care

In many villages I usually don't get further than the airstrip. But recently I had the opportunity to visit the In Deed and Truth mission hospital in Tonj. It was great to see how a team of about 90 staff members provide medical care to hundreds of mothers and children every day and also pray for and with their patients. South Sudan is one of the most risky countries to give birth. In addition to medical care, every patient is asked if they know Jesus. If not, the Gospel will be explained to them by pastoral workers and some will receive an (audio) Bible in their own language. Almost every week, we deliver food, medication and sometimes medical equipment to the hospital. We also fly the doctors and their families to and from the village.



Moving houses

My school is still closed. However, the teachers have found some creative ways to make sure that we can follow our lessons. I am very pleased with that! Sometimes I followed classes on the computer with Moses. We are planning to move to the other MAF compound in the coming weeks. It's about 10km away. There are some more kids out there to play with.

Greetings, Yenthe



Fresh produce for missionary families living in remote areas in the mountains of South Sudan.

Old times or new times?

Recently, the time in South Sudan was suddenly set back one hour. The government has chosen to use the same time zone as Sudan and Egypt. However, not everyone in the country was aware of this change, so people in the country are still working with two different times. Passengers have sometimes been waiting an hour longer for a flight and quite often we get the question: "Do you mean the new time or the old time?" We are now synchronized with summer time in the Netherlands.

Thank for:

- Wani (see below) could get to Uganda to get proper treatment for his leg.
- Continuation of mission and translation work in the country.
- Relative peaceful situation in South Sudan

Pray for:

- The possibility of Home Assignment in April
- Friends (girls) for Yenthe
- A reduction in the number of covid cases in South Sudan



Surgery urgently needed

I have to swallow a bit when I see his leg ... By now I am used seeing some serious wounds, but this looks very bad. Much of the skin has disappeared, the tissue is completely infected and the bone is almost visible. If he doesn't get proper treatment very soon, he will lose his leg or even pass away. 8 year old Wani, who regularly attends our Sunday school, looks hopefully to me. However, I realize that cleaning and putting a bandage on is not going to help here. Some surgery will be required. An operation that cannot be performed in Juba. Fortunately, in recent weeks we have succeeded in getting Wani to Uganda, so that he can receive proper treatment. We'll let you know how it goes..

Home Assignment 2021

We are going to try... a short leave in the Netherlands! Last year, our home assignment had to be postponed because of the corona situation. Still there are quite some restrictions, but because it has already been three years since we met our families, friends and supporters, we are planning to visit The Netherlands for about six weeks from the end of April. Although there may not be many possibilities for presentations, we hope that there will be opportunities to meet you in person!

From our Support Team

The Paddle for Life has been scheduled for **Saturday the 3rd of July**. Looking forward to a sports activity to support the ministry of Wim & Marlies?

Sign up via paddleforlife.nl

We are looking forward seeing you on the water!

