



Dear Friends,

This issue of Cornerstone News contains some really exciting stuff !!! We trust that you enjoy reading about recent developments that will impact on the project in Kitgum. Despite the long delay in our return to Uganda following Wayne's horrible accident last year, we are really looking forward to what God has in store in 2011. The past 15 months have been very, very difficult. His ways are not always the way we would choose (as we have found out first hand), but in the end He will achieve His purposes.

NGO Re-registration approved:

We received news from Kampala recently that our application for renewal of Cornerstone Foundation (Australia) Inc. as an NGO has been approved for the next 5 years. This means that the foundation is now able to operate in Uganda for the next 5 years, at which time we will then apply for renewal for a further 10 years. It means that the next lot of very time-consuming paperwork is not needed until 2015.

Hand-in-hand with the application for NGO renewal, we lodged papers for approval of our "Entry Permits" which will allow us to work in Uganda for the Foundation for the next 4 years. At the time of writing this issue, our permits are still being considered. (Papers were lodged in December 2010.) Please pray with us that these important documents will be approved soon.

Volunteers planning to come to Uganda in 2011:

Since our last issue two volunteers have offered their skills as professional shed builders, to come to Uganda and help with the construction of the steel fabricated workshop (18 x 8 metres). This is such great news !!! Scott Allen and Ben Pfeiffer from the Adelaide hills have been constructing sheds for many years and are very keen to help build the fabrication workshop, but have requested help with funds for their air-fares.

A **Quiz Night** to help raise funds for their trip is going to be held on Friday May 13th at 7.00 pm in the Birdwood Institute. (See Page 2 for further details.) On page 4 there is also an opportunity for you to help with a donation toward air-fares. Your help will enable their valuable assistance to become a reality.



We are so looking forward to Scott and Ben's visit to Uganda to enable completion of the fabrication workshop. Our three Ugandan workmen will learn heaps of valuable skills from our visitors and they in turn will experience many things while in Uganda that will no doubt change their lives. Thank-you Scott and Ben for your offer of help.

We will keep you, our readers, informed of progress.

Quiz Night Friday May 13th:

We are really looking forward to a great night of fun to raise funds needed by Scott and Ben to travel to Uganda to help construct the fabrication workshop in Kitgum. The Quiz Night will be held on **Friday May 13th at 7.00 pm**, in the Birdwood Institute. Cost: \$10.00 per head. Please bring your own nibbles and drinks. Tea and Coffee will be provided. An Auction will also form part of the evening. This fund-raising event is supported by the Birdwood United, Lutheran and Catholic Churches; the Birdwood Football Club and the Birdwood Institute. Please put this event in your diary and gather a group of your friends to support this event. To book a table of 10 people, please contact our Secretary:
Edna Tate: Phone: 8568 5119, Mobile 0415 338 747 or Email: ouredt@gmail.com



Wayne's Progress:

Since our last newsletter, Wayne had an operation on January 31st 2011 in the Royal Adelaide Hospital, to remove screws, bolts and scar tissue from his right elbow. His progress has been pretty slow with far more pain and lack of movement than was expected. He is continuing with occupational, physio and hydro-therapy three days a week at Hampstead Re-habilitation Centre. We are very grateful for the wonderful help provided by the staff at Hampstead. Please continue to pray for complete healing of the elbow.

A message from the Chairman and Management Committee:

Wayne and Bevs' calling from God to build a vocational training centre in Uganda has been a faithful, steadfast and at times very tough journey, over a decade of time.

As you are aware from reading this newsletter, they and our committee are on the brink of seeing great progress in their ministry. Scott and Ben volunteering to go to Uganda to assist in the construction of the centre has been a real encouragement to our committee.

Donations toward the project in Kitgum are such that the first stage of the building program can be completed with funds raised over the past 10 years.

However, the level of personal support for Wayne and Bev has dropped to a very low amount since Wayne's accident in January 2010.

We are very grateful to those who have none-the-less faithfully supported them with both accommodation and finance throughout this difficult time.

Wayne and Bev have always had the conviction that not one cent from funds raised to build the training centre should be used for their personal support.

If you are able to help Wayne and Bev please give this matter prayerful consideration and return the donation slip on page 4. Thank-you.

In His Love

Ross Shepherdson: Chairman

Reminder re E-mail address details:

If you are currently receiving the newsletter by post but would like to receive the **e-mail version** in future, please let us know your e-mail address and we will amend our records for future issues.

Send to: wbstevenscfa@gmail.com and we will update our address book.

If you have friends who normally receive the newsletter by e-mail who are disappointed that they have not received recent newsletters, please let us know. People sometimes change their e-mail address but forget to notify us.

Thank-you.



Wayne & Bev's return to Uganda:

We would love to return to Uganda in late May to prepare the site ready for construction of the fabrication workshop, prior to Scott and Ben's arrival later in the year. Our return is largely dependent upon Wayne's healing and the level of financial support received in response to this issue of the newsletter.

After receiving an e-mail from Uganda recently we were concerned to learn that for the past 4 months Kitgum district had not receive any rain, with many crops destroyed through drought. Subsequent heavy rains in recent weeks have unfortunately caused flooding across the region. Please pray for the Acholi people as they continue to struggle for survival in a very difficult region of the world.

On a lighter note:

A man was seen fleeing down the hallway of a hospital just before his operation. "What's the matter?" he was asked.

He said, "I heard the nurse say, 'It's a very simple operation. Don't worry, I'm sure it will be all right.'"

"She was just trying to comfort you, what's so frightening about that?"

The man replied: "She wasn't talking to me. She was talking to the doctor!"



Prayer Points:

Praise God: For Hampstead Re-habilitation Centre and the wonderful staff
For successful NGO Re-registration of Cornerstone Foundation
For Geoff & Hayley Smith as they continue to over-see the property until our return
For Scott and Ben's offer to come to Uganda to help construct the workshop
For our faithful workmen in Kitgum: Patrick, Charles and Michael.

Please pray: For approval of Entry Permits as soon as possible
For the Management Committee, as they continue with forward planning for the project
For Wayne's continued healing and physical strength

With our love, *Wayne and Bev*

Donation Reply Slip:

(A receipt and thank-you note will be issued for all donations)

I / We would like to:

Donate toward Wayne & Bev's personal support Weekly Monthly Quarterly

Donate toward air-fares for Scott and Ben

Enclosed is my donation of: \$ _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: () _____

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