



RCA Missionary Update

from Amos Limo Liang'or

Amos Liang'or grew up among the Pokot people along the Kenya/Uganda border. Because he contracted polio and was unable to help with work at home, he was the only one of his family's 12 children to attend school. Amos became interested in medicine when he learned that polio can be prevented through immunization. He currently works as a nurse at the Pokot Health Centre in the village of Alale. He says, "As a nurse, I am concerned with more than just my patients' physical well-being."

The Pokot rely on the clinic for health services. There they receive prenatal care, immunizations, volunteer counseling and testing for HIV/AIDS, family planning counseling, and treatment for malaria, cholera, broken bones, minor wounds, and other ailments.

Kenya facts:

- Population: 33,829,600
- Size: 582,646 square kilometers (slightly smaller than Texas)
- Major religions: 70 percent Christian, 20 percent Muslim, 10 percent indigenous and other beliefs



MINISTRY

Medical Clinic

LOCATION

Alale, Kenya

PARTNER

Africa Inland Church

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Dear Friends.

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Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. I hope that you are all fine at home. We are fine, too.

Being the manager representing the sponsor, I and the rest of the committee members sit in on the school, church, station and health centre meetings to see to it that all our arms of development are running well within the community of Alale.

In the first quarter (January through March) many parts of Kenya have experienced long spells of drought, famine, cattle diseases, cattle raids in Pokot, and the high cost of goods. These issues have had a negative impact on the people of Alale and on the work of the Pokot project.

During his visit to Kenya, I was able to meet and share with Rev. Derrick Jones, RCA Africa mission supervisor, about the Pokot project. I also had the opportunity to meet and spend time with Mr. Blanksma and Mr. Price's team, who visited Alale in January and February, 2009. The team helped us paint and repair the nurses quarters and parts of the health facility structures.

Our grateful thanks go to our dear friends/brethrens for the support you have given to the Pokot project.

THE HEALTH CENTRE

The running of the health centre has gone well with the

volume of work being moderately busy over the past three months. Malaria, diarrhea, typhoid fever, gun shots, assaults, HIV/AIDS and pregnancy related complications, still remain the top diseases seen at the health centre.

The unit still has high staff turn over; Gilbert Krop, our lab technologist, left in April to work with the government. Over the past 3 months we have still provided curative, promotive and preventive health services among the people in Alale at large through treating the sick; we provided mobile clinic services; we are giving health talks at chief barasa's, school visits and at the health centre. We have had a total of 51 referrals, some of which we carry by ambulance. Others we advise using other means of transportation for getting to the referral hospitals for further management. We had 12 seriously injured gun shot victims, several pregnancy complications at birth, anemia, malaria related and other conditions which we referred to the hospital. According to our inpatient records, 15 - 20 patients were admitted every month.

THE CHURCH

The church in Alale is doing well, focusing mainly on reaching the unreached persons with God's gospel. It still remains a restoration place for the many lost and down hearted souls among the people in Alale.

The church has a new minister, Pastor Abraham Tukomoi.

He is a graduate of Kameris Elementary School. The girls' secondary school, planned by the church, has begun. We, as the church, thank God for providing us with our new minister and for the start of this girls' school. We are focused on evangelism and opening new churches so that many will hear God's word.



People working on the roads to the school and centre, and fencing the station before getting food and seeds as appreciation.

raids from December last year to March of this year. The people in the area are busy working on their farms, hopeful that it will rain and make their crops germinate and grow to yield enough food at the end of this year. It will be sad if the area does not receive enough rain to keep the crops growing.

THE SCHOOL

The school activities went well during the first term. At the start of this year Kameris Primary School opened a rescue centre for young girls forced into marriage, those who run away from the female genital mutilation, and any other unlawful malpractices done to the young girls within the Pokot community in Alale. We have 50 of the young girls in Kameris Primary School—the number increases daily. The Kameris Primary School committee, students and teachers really appreciate the support that Worldwide Christian Schools has provided: food for the school, paying subordinate wages and some school repairs. The church and the school management thanks the Blanksma and Price work team who helped to support the nursery school.



The church and the community people in Alale sincerely thank RCWS and you, our friends, for the relief funds we received to assist in buying seeds for planting and maize.

We have already distributed the seeds and the maize food to the people, but my worry is that the food provided for them will not see them through until their farm crops are ready for harvesting—all this depends on rain.

THE COMMUNITY

The community people in Alale are still working very hard under harsh situations for the area is still affected by famine. The rains started late March and stopped early April, making hand tractor plowing very hard. The area is still facing a

lot of insecurity from the Turkana, Karamojong and the cattle raids, Uganda Army (UPDF) operation still on illegal fire arms disarmament, among the Pokot people living within the Border. I and other members of the church lost animals through the Karamojang



Community people in Alale receiving quality seeds.



OUR PRAISES

- Thank God, for our supporting friends of the Pokot project.
- Thank God for provision of good health.
- Thank God for the work at the health facility.
- Thank God for peace in Kenya.
- Thank God for W.C.S support to Kameris primary school.
- Thank God for the Blanksma work team and for their support to the Nursery school and the work they did in Alale during their visit.
- Thank God for friends and the greatly needed relief assistance from RCWS.
- Thank God for the girls' secondary school in Alale.

PRAYERS

- Pray for the health centre work.
- Pray for further extension /expansion for the health centre in future.
- Pray for volunteer Doctor to be stationed in Alale.
- Continue praying for famine/starving people in Pokot and Kenya at large.
- Pray for rain.
- Pray for income generating activities funds.
- Pray for medical school students support funds.
- Pray for funds in aid of HIV/AIDS affected persons.
- Pray for funds in aid of my wife and my studies.
- Pray for funds in aid of church minister's support and Gods work evangelism.

Greetings from the Alale people, church staff and my wife, Mary, from Pokot project Alale.

Christ's Love,

Amos and Mary Limo Liang'or,
AIC/RCA missionary representative and project manager

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