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This update is for Monday & Tuesday. We continued with ministry in Kyamagemule and the school there. The poverty of the area makes sustaining a school difficult, as most of the families in the area are subsistence farmers. They provide for their families plus some small amount to sell so they can buy other things they need. Many of them have no education, so it is a challenge to convince them to pay for their children to get an education.

I continue to be amazed at what is being accomplished here with so little. Even finding teachers who are willing to live in such a remote area is a challenge. Yet, in competitive exam, the students from here continue to do well. Two who have moved on to senior school (grades 8 - 12) are doing very well. One goes from her school every Sunday to another church plant and teaches children's Sunday School.

Most of the lady teachers have young children and were very happy for a box full of baby clothes that we brought. One of the photos below is of them picking outfits for their children.

On the trip last September, Fred Schreiber brought a box of books collected from some home school families in Pensacola. They have started a small library that can be seen below as well.

The new kitchen is operational and in a photo below you can see the firebox which uses fire wood much more efficiently. This is important in a country that suffers from deforestation. There is also a photo of children coming to eat. Their meal is pretty much the same seven days a week. It is what the school can afford and it seems to keep them healthy.

There are some photos of the distribution of [gift bags](#) from [sponsor families](#). Since school is not fully back in session until next Monday, not all students were present so not all who received gift bags are in this photo. We also have a photo of one of three families who got a food basket. The other two were distributed when I was not present.

The last two photos are just funny. One shows the two biggest cooking pots I have ever seen. The other shows some of the increase in modernization here in heavily populated areas. The installation of traffic lights has actually had some impact on driving patterns. From the photo you can see they have a countdown timer to let you know how much longer the light will be green or red, as the case may be. Since they drive on the left hand side of the road, their turn arrows are opposite the ones in the US.

There are always benevolent needs most everywhere you go. Two that we are trying to help with are a hydrocephalus baby born a few weeks ago. No prospect of government help and most hospitals require up front payment. 1,000,000/ugx (about \$275) is needed. The other is the young lady helped a few years ago is in need of a new prosthetic leg. She was shot as a child and lost her leg. She has now outgrown the leg provided last time and we need about \$200 to help her.

Our next ministry will be in [Kiroba](#) in Eastern Uganda.

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