

Dear Friends,

Are you old enough to remember this TV show Twilight Zone, when Rod Serling would say, **“Picture, If you will,”** and then describe some unnatural phenomena that was about to happen.



Well, “picture if you will,” a school where students have studied for over 6 years, sitting on low benches while taking notes with their notebooks on their knees. This has been the case at the Emmaus Gospel Outreach Primary School, on the Nakevali Refugee Settlement in Uganda Africa.



The teachers at the school have classroom trials of their own. while teaching up to 60 children in one class. They teach in what we would consider very primitive conditions; no electricity, no AV equipment,

dirt floors, and as shown in the photo, even the black boards are problems they have to overcome.



Many of you are very familiar with the Emmaus school and the work completed there. We have been raising funds to help these children for a number of years now. Nothing could have been accomplished without the help of so many of you. We praise the Lord for your consistent prayers and generous financial gifts.

The children at the Emmaus Primary school are extremely grateful for the latest project of providing 25 student desks for some of the classrooms. And we are extremely thankful to the Lord of the Harvest, and to you, our faithful supporters. The desks are not the typical student desks that we are familiar with in the USA, but know that these children are thrilled to have them. Desks are not available for purchase in this part of Uganda, so each one has to be built for the school. There is still a need for 72 more desks in order to complete this project. The desks seat 3 to 4 children and cost \$40 each.



God has provided for every project through the gifts of His people for we know, “*To Him who is able to do far more than we ask, think, to imagine, to Him be all glory,*



honor, and praise (Eph 3:20-21).

Our **urgent need** is for monthly sustaining partners. God has blessed Emmaus with the completion of so many projects over the past years, but we are still far short of our goal of having a stable monthly budget to support the school. Would you pray about helping these children on a monthly basis. Whatever tax deductible amount, you and the Lord decide to give will be an enormous help. Simply go to our giving page listed, bit.ly/EmmausGO, and click on the “recurring gift” button. Thank you, to each of you who are already presently monthly partners.

Though this newsletter shares much about the school’s material and financial needs, by far the greatest need is prayer. Prayer for the teachers and staff, prayer for the children to learn well. And please pray that the students will come to the knowledge of saving grace in Jesus Christ. As of this date 137 children have been baptized and given their lives to the Lord. All students attend daily Bible Classes to strengthen and mature their love for God and Savior Jesus Christ.

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Thes 1:2-3).

Lovingly in Christ,

Ken & Bev Merrill

