



# Operation Nehemiah

HELPING REBUILD THE NEW SUDAN



Dear Beloved in Christ,

Shalom! God is being glorified and the Gospel is going forward in the New Sudan. Your faithful partnership in this ministry of reconciliation is bearing fruit that will endure. It is with joy and anticipation that I share this quarter's update, trusting in the sovereignty and providence of the Lord.

**WELL DRILLING UPDATE:** during his recent trip to the Field, well drilling engineer Mr. Jamie Wackerbarth encountered a technical problem with the geo-composition of the land in Borongole. It was discovered in the early stages of drilling that the village rests on a large and thick rock that lies 30ft below the surface. Our rig was unable to break through and will need an additional component designed to hammer at the rock, among other tools. Jamie is now back in the USA consulting and remobilizing resources to return and complete the wells by the end of this year. We need to raise **\$10,000** to purchase the needed equipment. The people of Borongole and the surrounding areas have been gracious and are patiently waiting for the completion of this essential project. We hope to bless them with a reliable source of pure water that will further stabilize their emerging infrastructure.

Top left: Jamie and our ground team drilling water at ONMI Mission center

Bottom Left on the River Nile: Jamie, his wife Tracy far right, Mother Lynn and our ground team winding down their mission before heading back to the States.





Top left: Timothy and Joy Levi

Middle: Joyce bathing their daughter Rebekah and their son Daniel is on the right center

Bottom: The tower of Nehemiah Trumpet Call 97.3 FM

## **GOSPEL RADIO UNHINDERED:**

**Over the past few years the Nehemiah TRUMPET Call 97.3 FM station has encountered numerous obstacles to continuous programming. Prior to the installation of solar technology, the station was powered by generators that required fuel at an average cost of \$10 per gallon. Then, there was the series of protracted technical challenges that came with going solar, and a strike of lightning to the 300 ft. tower that rendered the charge controller useless! The most recent hindrance to the Gospel on the airwaves was a complicated wiring issue that seemed to have no solution. Our radio engineer, Mr. David Firth was in Uganda, unable to travel to the site, and I was only able to offer ideas over the phone, being in the States myself. We prayed and asked for God's**

**The breakthrough then came from a surprising source. My nephew, Timothy Levi, is 19 years old and is a Christian husband and father. He lives a pioneering life in Borongole with his wife Joy and their two children. He often assists with the radio station but has never received formal technical training. By God's grace, and through perseverance, Timothy was able to restore the radio by himself and is now programming from 6 am to 10 pm, every day! An estimated 7 million people in the South Sudan and northern Uganda are now living within listening range of the Word of God. People are calling the station from as far away as The Congo! This coverage far exceeds our expectations, and we give the glory and the praise to God, from whom all blessings flow.**





## **Operation Nehemiah's New Website Redesigned and launched by the Levites Webmasters**

Over the past couple of months, I have received numerous e-mails and calls from Operation Nehemiah's donors who are interested to know when the new website will be completed so that they can get news update from the South Sudan. Now we have some good news for you. The website is done and up on World Wide Web.

One of the greatest joys of homeschooling for Hannah and I is the privilege of involving the children in our everyday work and special projects. Over the past few months we have been working together on redesigning Operation Nehemiah's website and finally launched it during the first week of June.

For the past several years, Operation Nehemiah's website was hosted in Knoxville, TN by a commercial web master .It had become financially difficult to maintain, since each time we wanted to update the site we incurred multiple fees and a delay in getting news out.

After much prayer and anticipation, in the interest of being good stewards of the Lord's resources we decided to redesign the website ourselves by learning new design software. Although this was a time consuming process, we are now able to post updates directly from the field without relying on outside services.

The children have also become more computer literate and creative, and have learned a good lesson in productive use of time. We plan to continue updating the site as needed together. This is some fruit from the "*Levites Family Home Academy*".

We hope you are blessed by the new website, and let us know if you have any suggestions.

You can visit us at [www.operationsnehemiah.org](http://www.operationsnehemiah.org)



*Farmers working at the Beth Israel farm Land*



**Agricultural Update:** Since last year, we have opened 48 acres, 15 of which are covered with cassava awaiting harvest this July. The rest of the acreage is being prepared for crop rotation. The mango and orange groves planted last year are also doing well. Additional crops planted include maize, potatoes, passion fruit, guava, okra, cabbage, pumpkin, peppers, water melon, eggplants, tomatoes, onions, tomatoes, pineapples, carrots, and beans. The ministry of Operation Nehemiah, through the eldership of the Beth Israel Messianic Congregation, is encouraging men to work hard and provide for their families. As you can see, many are finding their rightful place in the community. Through their involvement in our farming initiative, they are developing entrepreneurial visions to start their own family businesses instead of leaving their families and going into big cities like Juba looking for jobs.

“Now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worked in us, unto Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus unto all generations, forever, amen.”

Eph. 3:20-23

Thank you for your generous and faithful partnership.

In His grace,

William Levi, President and Founder

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