

BEST study partner report

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WHAT GOD TAUGHT ME DURING THE SEMESTER

This second semester of year two that will run from (4th January 2024 to 16th April 2024) has many new things that God is teaching me which I have learnt a lot from, among which a few are outlined below;

I am experiencing God's love, favor and grace working towards me, my family and my community through the BEST study partners or crosslinks, for supporting my education and others. GLORY BE TO GOD.

I am experiencing the love of God and favor from friendship connections in fellowships, prayer, new course units and other activities making me to experience and acquire new skills and knowledge while here at UCU.

Daily morning devotions, community hour fellowships, pastoral training hours in the chapel, Holy Communion services, Sunday church services, among other university programs are giving experience and teaching me ways to conduct Christian worship services, handle church related administrative critiques and many others.

THE UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES I PARTICIPATED IN:

- Daily devotions and fellowships.
- Guild general elections, exhibition and sports week
- Cell group meetings for prayers, Bible studies and fellowships.
- Participated in Mission week, Health and Holiness week.
- Church services and programs e.g. Holy Communion, Baptism, etc.
- Discipleship and Bible studies.
- Cultural galla exposition

MINISTRY AND MISSION.

WHERE I REGULARLY ATTEND CHURCH DURING THE TIME OF STUDIES.

I always attend church services at Uganda Christian university chapel (Thorny Croft Chapel Kyaggwe, UCU-Mukono).

MINISTRY RESPONSIBILITY I HOLD WHILE AT THE UNIVERSITY AND THE CHURCH AT HOME

- Group leader in the Bible study and discipleship groups
- Usher and warden during chapel prayer services.
- Planning and project coordinator in my home church (St. Mark church of Uganda Udende).
- Mobilizer in the Greater Northern Uganda Fellowship, UCU, Mukono.

THE EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH AND MISSIONS THAT I INVOLVED MYSELF IN THE COURSE OF THE SEMESTER.

- Mission and evangelism in all the hostels in the university premises and hostels outside the university, the nearby community and trading canters during mission week. We preached the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Worship Leader during daily practical prayer services in local language and English services.
- Participated in all prayer services organized at the university.
- Guidance and counselling practices as a member of Para counselling group.

STORIES/ TESTIMONIES FROM MY EVANGELISM, TEACHING AND CHURCH MINISTRY.

I so much thank the almighty God for the far He has brought me, for its not easy for me sometimes to solve some challenges that I encounter in my life and family but I have ever seen God's hand working strongly towards me, studies and my family.

I so much thank God for enabling my dear wife Sally to take care of the family and participating in agricultural work to provide food for the family and look for school fees for the children which I know is a struggle but by God's grace they are pushing on well in good health.

My prayer is that God to bless the works of her hands and provision of finances to support in the family basic needs.

PRAYER REQUESTS

MY PERSONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for my study needs, especially for next semester where I will do research, Sunday placement practicals that needs clerical wears.

MY FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Construction of residential building (residential family house) in Nebbi at the piece of land we own.

Support to my family needs during the times of studies at UCU, Mukono.

The study needs/ school fees for my children (2 boys in kindergarten and nursery school 1girl in primary five 1boy in primary four this year 2024) 1 relative in primary 3 who stays with us and friends.

To reduce the effects of global warming, my family have involved in tree planting to protect the environment which is very challenging and needs funds for labor force and other field works.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MY HOME CHURCH.

Reroofing of church building of **St. Mark Udende church of Uganda** in Nebbi diocese after destruction by devastating stormy wind that vandalized the contents like musical instruments, solar panels, furniture among others.

Residential house building for the church minister/ church teacher of Udende church of Uganda.

Musical system and public address system for missions and evangelism by the youths in the church. And income generating projects for the church, especially agricultural projects, tree planting among others.

Construction of Sunday school church (Children's church) at Udende church of Uganda.

ANY OTHER THING THAT I FEEL YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Together with friends, I am one of the founders of ministry called "**Family of Christ Ministry**" where we meet youths (teenagers and adolescents) from all the parts of Nebbi Diocese (districts of Pakwach, Nebbi, Zombo, Madi-Okollo and Arua) monthly for prayers, fasting, guidance and counseling sessions, motivational talks, charitable community works within the communities in Nebbi diocese and other community voluntary services, health talks and health services and sharing of testimonies among others at Biku Prayer Mountain and retreat Centre, Goli. The number of people attending is ever increasing and I pray for support towards it for God's glory.

Lastly I kindly request if our study partners and donors of BEST or Crosslinks could come and see what we are doing here in order to share our experiences face to face. God bless all the people who have read this report.

GLORY BE TO GOD

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