

PASTOR ERUSTUS' HOME – THE BEGINNING 2021

Before we began to build Pastor Dalbeer's home, Pastor Erustus had drawn up plans for his home. The Lord showed which house to begin with because Pastor Dalbeer was evicted from his home because the landlord wanted to sell it to make money. It was a blessing to find a house to rent in the same city that he lived in. The city is overcrowded and not much was available so we were thankful he found a place to stay where his ministry is built up around that area and not far from the hostel. The new home, however, flooded when it rained and he lost many of his possessions.

When he received warnings that the landlord wanted to evict him I felt moved by the Lord to go ahead and build his home first. I was hoping to get his home built before he was evicted but that did not happen. And as for the eviction, remember, if you stand up and work for Jesus Christ, you will face trials.



Pastor Erustus and Pastor Sarah of our outreach ministry in Kenya and Uganda.

So as we neared the completion of his home, Pastor Erustus received a notice from the government that the plans for his house were going to expire. It isn't like it is here where you can have a blueprint and just keep it and build it where and when you get ready to. They only consider them valid for a certain period of time. The government in Kenya is a dictatorship. So he filed for an extension because we could not afford to try and fund both house projects at the same time.

He had 3 months to begin building his home or the whole thing would be cancelled. We give God glory that 2 months after he filed we were able to be ready to begin on his house. So Pastor started the process of trying to work through the government red tape there. It was January 8th when Pastor received approval from the government to begin to build his house!!



In December of 2020, I began to send money for Pastor to begin the work on his house. He began to collect materials for the foundation.



A load of stone



Dirt



More materials for the house.

January 1, 2021, I pray that my house plan goes through, am really over excited to see my house start being built.

January 8th

Hello Pastor, yes have spent the whole of today at our government offices and finally I have been given a go ahead to start building. They say they have finalized everything, only my registration code is remaining. They say their internet network system has gone down. Once it starts working they will send the code and building authorization certificate to my email. So have planned to start the foundation work on Monday. At the moment have rushed home to check on my mom who is sick. ***satan always attacks and tries to hinder God's work.*** Last month my water well caved in. Have been digging a new one. Now am moulding inside with bricks and cement with sand. Now that am starting construction much water is needed.

Pastor said about the work beginning on his house it was like a dream. They give God all the glory.



Beginning to lay the lines for the foundation of the house.



Getting their plans together



Pastor shared a few pictures of little Rufus out in the middle of all the excitement.



Setting up their markers



Working on the form.



Starting to dig the foundation.



Pastor shared, in this photo Pastor Jotham and his wife, our ministry friends, visited us when the foundation was being dug. After praying for us, we blessed them with a young rooster. Hahaha!!!



Pastor happened to have a contractor in his church that builds houses. Look at all the workers there. This is also a blessing to them to have work so they can feed their families. And especially during all of the corona virus non-sense with shutting things down and curfews and lack of work and provisions. This has been a big blessing to those in the area to have work.



The work is coming along nicely.



They are getting the rebar ready.



He said they were raising pillars here.

I will end this house update with a message from Pastor. "Our dear friends, supporters and partners, we are progressing on well with building our family house which will also serve our ministry needs eg accommodating visitors & hosting some meetings. We are trusting God to continue providing to enable us to finish up the house. I and my dear wife Sarah really appreciate your help and prayers in building God's kingdom here in Kenya & Uganda. May our good God reward you richly both in this life and in the life to come. Shalom"