



Wishing You a Very Happy New Year

We want to **thank you** for your generous and faithful support for us throughout 2022. We've just enjoyed 2 weeks of Christmas holidays, which was a welcome and relaxing break at the end of a very busy first eight months in Uganda. Thankfully our daughter Sarah was able to join us for the festivities, although Rebekah didn't make it this time. This has been Christmas on our 4th continent as a family, and it's been different again from all the others! We hope and pray you've also been able to stop and celebrate this Christmas season with your family and friends.

Our move to Uganda has so far been an amazing adventure, full of surprises and challenges. In some ways we're still adjusting to a very different life, and battling with a house that needs constant repairs and upgrades. In other ways, we're very much at home, and enjoying this new season in a new country. We are each settled in our own roles, and connecting with life, people, team members, and new experiences as we find them. It's a real privilege to serve here, and we're grateful for every new day, and unique opportunity to share the love of Jesus where we are.



Flying Royalty

In October the MAF Uganda team had the privilege of flying HRH Princess Royal and her husband over two days, as they visited projects run by Opportunity International, and Save the Children. Our excellent team prepared carefully for several months to ensure this all ran smoothly, and it did! It was a real treat for everyone, and left us all with big smiles on our faces!

It's been such a privilege for Ruth to lead the MAF Uganda team these first 8 months, with so many highlights and good memories already. She is looking forward to 2023 with anticipation of all the good things being planned, including a new 5 Year Strategic Plan, Team Days, and new opportunities to serve new partners.

Happy Place

Duncan has found his happy place with the people of Uganda! He makes friends wherever he goes, including fruit sellers, security guards and members of his local gym, always stopping to talk to each one, and sharing the love of Jesus. He has joined the leadership of our church, Kampala International Church, as well as the church teaching team, and has been invited as the guest speaker to other churches too. He is progressing with his MIT Mini-masters, due to be completed with exams in March.



Happy Sam

Samuel has loved having his sister visit for Christmas. As well as bringing all the presents (and cheese!) from Scotland, Sam was able to prove that he is now even taller than Sarah (which makes Ruth the shortest in the family ...)

Sam finished his school year well, with an excellent end-of-term report, and playing clarinet in the school band for the Christmas concert. He's also been playing football for the U16 team twice a week, and getting to know new friends.



At the end of October, we stopped one Friday afternoon to **celebrate** those members of our large team who have served with MAF for many years. We started with those who have worked for the programme for 10 years, and worked up through 15 and 20 years. We even have some who've served with MAF for more than 30 years! Each one received a certificate and gift voucher, and a big round of applause. Then we ate together, a full Ugandan feast! This photo is most of our team, although its missing some international family members, including all of the children (who were at school!).

Team Treat for a job well done



HUGE THANKS to all those who are supporting us with prayer and finances. We are humbled by your generosity and kindness, and daily grateful for everyone joining us on this adventure. As with all international MAF staff, our time in Uganda is only possible as a result of your kindness, and we have still not quite met our financial target. Every little helps, so if you're able to give even a small monthly amount, please [click here](#) and follow the links to give. HUGE THANKS again!

Thank you for Praying



Please pray for our girls, Rebekah and Sarah, as they enter this new year. Rebekah has a new job, and Sarah will complete 4th year at University.

Please for the MAF Uganda Team as we complete our 5 Year Strategic Plan, and look ahead to developing Kajjansi Airfield.

Please pray for Duncan as he prepares to sit exams in March.

And for favour for Ruth as she builds new partnerships, and seeks to work in harmony with the Civil Aviation Authority, and other air operators at Kajjansi.