

Dear Brethren,

Francis Okech is the only faithful preacher devoting his full time to the Lord's work in Uganda, an East African nation of 31,367,972 people.

(<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ug.html>)

Francis is 46 years old, a widower with four dependent children, who resigned his job as head of international banking at Nile Bank in Kampala to preach the gospel. He works with three widely scattered congregations. He spent several months in South Africa after he resigned his job, studying with Paul Williams and Dave Beckley.

Francis' sister, Rosemary Aburu, lives 60 kilometers away in Jinja. Her husband, Daniel, preached the gospel and was supported by two American churches until, due to tragic circumstances, he fell away and went to Kenya. Daniel and Rosemary Aburu have three dependent children. Rosemary remains faithful, assists Francis in his work, and teaches and leads to Christ women who have been abandoned by their husbands in a terrible slum near her home. She rents a nice compound where American preachers can stay and teach classes.

I worked with them for about three weeks in February 2007 and found them to be dedicated, faithful, honest, and highly intelligent. I plan to return next February and every year thereafter, as long as the Lord makes it possible, to teach classes in Rosemary's compound for young men Francis has converted and who desire to preach. Francis converted most of these young men from Islam.

The world rise in fuel and food costs is an irritation to Americans; it is devastating to poor people in third world countries. Francis and Rosemary have been hit hard, to the point Rosemary is in danger of losing her compound and both find it very nearly impossible to feed their children and pay for their education.

You can read about and see photos of Francis, Daniel, and Rosemary at [www.TheWorkoftheLordinUganda.com](http://www.TheWorkoftheLordinUganda.com). Francis sends a monthly report to all who are interested.

Please consider helping in Francis Okech's support. He shares his support with Rosemary. If you decide to do this, I can give you a way to safely send money directly to Francis.

Brotherly,  
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