



## Christmas Greetings 2017



Dear Partners in Ministry,

As we come towards Christmas and the close of 2017, we continually think about you friends and your sustained role in this ministry we share. We imagine how fitting it is to jubilate with songs of “peace on earth and goodwill to men” in a true Christmas spirit. And for a more meaningful Christmas that we wish for you, we invite you to ponder with us: “What peace is this?”

We understand this peace better if we ask a prior question: What child is this? The child that said, “Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your heart be troubled and do not be afraid.” (John 14:27) He did not say “I will not let the world trouble you” but promised the peace which does not depend on ‘peaceful environments’ as we often imagine them. Rather, He promised and now gives us the peace at heart unaltered by any circumstance since our hope is in Him. The child who was born to us is our peace child, for He Himself became our peace. (Ephesians 2:14) Amidst many holidays it is often difficult to peer through our “wretched excesses” to see the manger or the child himself in the predominance of “cultural Christianity.” But this child was born to die as our deliverer. He came as the beautiful one, to take our ugly place. He is our peace child, offered to bring us peace within because of our fresh hope in God.



We are praying and planning to visit you in 2018, for what we believe will be a vital reconnection with you, our friends. With the PT Institute in view, we are amidst a peculiar phase in the growth of this ministry that we would love to share with you through fellowship, prayer and interaction. We look forward to God’s unfolding of this planned visit.

Friends, may your growing commitment to Jesus Christ, our Savior and peace child, affirm in you the peace you have with God through Christ’s sacrifice, and the peace He now gives to us as our reigning King. May that peace guard your hearts and minds during this Christmas season.

Julius & Grace Twongyeirwe  
Proclamation Task – Uganda

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## *An Invitation from the PT-USA Support Team*



We eagerly look forward to Julius and Grace being amongst us, mid-May to early July, 2018. Along with you, fellowshiping with them causes us to better grasp what God is doing through PT in Uganda. These times of fellowship also cause us to grow in our own knowledge of our great God.

For Julius and Grace to be in the Portland area for a seven week visit, we estimate \$12,000 being needed for airfare, local transportation, housing, meals and incidentals. Already, several people have offered to house Julius and Grace and loan a vehicle. As these offers arise, the monies needed may change. Thank you for praying together for the Lord to guide and provide, according to His will.



A target date of March 1, 2018, has been set to evaluate the viability of their trip. We can then assess whether resources are available for both of them to come for the seven weeks, or perhaps, just Julius come, perhaps for a shorter time. Any funds received that are not used for the trip will be given to the PT general fund for the ongoing ministry in Uganda.

We invite you to prayerfully consider supporting PT in any of the following ways.

1. Julius and Grace's visit to Portland, Oregon. Late May to mid-July 2018.
  - a. Financial contributions to "2018 Portland USA Visit" can be sent to Ministry Dynamics, using the enclosed envelope, or online at: <http://ministrydynamics.org/donate.html>. The goal is \$12,000 by March 1, 2018
  - b. If you would like to provide housing, meals, transportation, or other practical needs, please contact Joan Burdick of the PT-USA team at: [joanburdick65@gmail.com](mailto:joanburdick65@gmail.com), or [971-334-3127](tel:971-334-3127)
2. One-time or regular financial contributions to the **PT general fund** to support daily ministry in Uganda. Contributions to "PT general fund" can be sent to Ministry Dynamics.
3. On-going prayer for PT staff and ministry in Uganda.

For the Savior's kingdom to thrive,

Joan Burdick, Larry & Sally Gentry, Dan Kiser and Chris & Andrea Lum

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