

# Sudan Newsletter



Dear friends

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I hope you are all well and were able to get some holidays over the summer. I had a fantastic time with my family in Germany and was able to get a much-needed change of scenery.

## Moving to Africa

My application with the Africa Inland Mission (AIM) is going well. The application itself and the medical report were fine, they have all the references by now, and I should have my first interview of three in a week or two.

Though I haven't had my interviews yet, they have already booked me for the 3-week Africa orientation in Kenya starting the 20<sup>th</sup> of January, after which I will start my assignment in South Sudan. There is also a regional AIM conference in Uganda, from 7 to 11 January, which I was asked to attend, and which makes my leaving date to be around the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2009. Please keep praying for the three interviews and for a smooth administrative process over the next 4 months.

My assignment will most likely be lecturing in a local bible school, the Bright Hope School of Theology, the principal of which I met in April. Long-term, I'd like to set up a viable TEE programme (theological education by extension), which I always term 'bush bible college.' It's a type of theological distance education, that has been tailored to suit developing countries, and about which I am also writing my dissertation at the moment.



## Financial Support

My budget for next year will be set at around £900 per month, of which £600 has already been pledged, for which I am enormously thankful. This leaves me to raise another £300 per month, which is why I am including this in my newsletter. If you'd like to support me and the work in Sudan regularly with £10 or £20 a month, I would be extremely grateful.

Financial support can be given in a number of ways: Gift-Aid; standing order; or it can be sent to Elim HQ via your local Elim church. Please do not hesitate to contact me to see what would be the best way for your situation, and to ask further questions. If you'd like to know what is included in this budget and for what the money will be used, I can send you a copy of the cost budget.

Since I am planning to leave early January, I'd have to have the full support pledged by the end of November at the latest. I'd be very grateful for both your support and your prayers for this matter.

## College things

My Master's degree is going well so far and I hope to finish my dissertation by the end of September, after which I have to do two more papers. I anticipate, that it will get quite pressured towards November/December and ask your prayers for a good finish at college.

## Itinerary Preaching

I will be available again for speaking engagements from September onwards until early December. If you'd like me to come, please email either myself or Caroline at [missionsadmin@elimhq.net](mailto:missionsadmin@elimhq.net)

Thank you so much for all your prayers and your support.

**Yours Verena**

