

June 13, 2011

Eight candles for our oldest girl:

Another special birthday.

No teacher for the 88-keys:

The piano is difficult to play.

A wooden box with flattened nails:

The Ugandan instrumentation.

A new arrival (no, not a new Dwire):

New missionaries to this needy nation.

Dear Praying Friends & Family—

Thank you for your continued prayers for our family and for the ministries here. Last Sunday we celebrated Abbie's 8th Birthday. She is also a rising Third Grader. Because of the many weeks throughout the year that our schedule gets disrupted for ministry activities, this week is the last week of "summer vacation" before Amie starts Third Grade with Abbie and First Grade with Emilie. Dan has also recently started some new classes.

Originally, he had a goal of learning to play the piano this year. While he has been able to learn some additional skills through the books we have, he has been limited by the lack of a teacher that can instruct him while observing how he is playing. There just aren't that many people over here who really know how to play correctly. However, there are many people who play the local "thumb piano." Dan purchased one and is taking lessons from one of our national pastors who used to lead church music. (A picture of a thumb piano is attached.)

This past week we were in the capital city helping the Alan Sutphen family as they arrived in Uganda to begin their first term. There are many adjustments for newly-arrived missionaries. We remember some of the obstacles we faced 6-1/2 years ago as well as the great help we received from fellow missionaries. We enjoyed the opportunity to be that help to the Sutphens this week. Please pray for them as they continue to adjust to Uganda and as they process the many aspects of governmental paperwork.

For Souls in Uganda,

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