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End of May Update

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I wanted to touch base with everyone as we draw nearer to our trip. As you're probably aware, there is an ongoing Ebola crisis in the Congo, which neighbors Uganda. In fact, we heard about it because the first American to be infected is a friend of ours. Thankfully, he's recovering. Gayl babysat for his wife when she was a preschooler, and we've kept in touch. Anyway, due to Ebola, visas are not currently available until possibly later in June. Hopefully, by then, Ebola will be under control and the travel warning level will be reduced, allowing travel. Until then, we'll keep up with our preparations for our trip. God is not surprised by any of this, so we will keep our eyes fixed on Him and watch for what He has planned for us.

Gayl and I had an opportunity to share about the trip with our church. We mentioned the need for certain items. One of our church members visited several garage sales looking for backpacks and drawstring bags. Another asked if he could send along some Leatherman utility tools.

Here are a couple of things to help you prepare for the trip. Try taking a shower where you get yourself wet, turn off the water to soap up, and then turn the water back on to rinse off. You never know what our water supply will be like in Uganda. You may even want to try showering with cooler water because I don't know if we'll have heated water.

Another thing is to brush your teeth using bottled water instead of water straight from the tap. How's it going getting your malaria medicine? Gayl ended up making several calls to our provider, and I think we're finally getting a prescription. We don't have it in our hands yet. Is there anything that we can pray for you about? Please let us know.

Thanks,
Steve