Kadugli Newsletter and Prayer Diary

"Please do not grow tired of praying for Sudan" (Archbishop Ezekiel)

What is the Current Situation in Sudan?.

There are reports that the SAF is gaining ground against the RSF in the area south of Khartoum. There are also reports of defections from the RSF to the SAF, chiefly further west in Sudan. Possibly in response to these events, RSF has intensified its activities in El Gezira, south of Khartoum, and further atrocities are being committed there.

In a very recent United Nations Security Council (UNSC) meeting, "Secretary-General António Guterres laid bare the scale of Sudan's suffering. He reported that nearly 25 million Sudanese are now in desperate need of aid, with mass killings, sexual violence, and worsening health conditions ravaging the country. He highlighted the recent events in El Gezira where violent attacks carried out by the RSF left more than 120 civilians dead and around 200 others injured in El Sariha village, El Kamlin, on Friday.

..... Reports from activists and viral social media footage shows RSF involvement in the massacre of civilians, rampant sexual violence against women and girls, and the detention of at least 150 people. The RSF has also isolated the region by cutting off communication channels and confiscating Starlink devices, effectively trapping residents." (Source: Radio Dabanga)

What about Kadugli?

Detailed news from Kadugli continues to be difficult to come by. There are suggestions, however, that the famine conditions are intensifying, that the appalling situation is getting worse. And the medicines are not there to treat sickness. We must remember that it is not a collection of statistics that are affected; these are real people. For example, Bishop Hassan's three daughters are suffering severely from malaria. Schools are closed, occupied by people displaced from other parts of Sudan, and even when schools and colleges are open (sometimes in neighbouring countries), funds are lacking to pay for courses.

Despite these overwhelming obstacles, people cling tenaciously to their faith. The desire to serve God is strong, though circumstances make it hard. The training of ministers continues, and we are asked to pray for this and their commissioning.

The church in Kadugli Diocese is doing what it can to provide for its members, helped by our contributions.

For this reason we are asking you to give to Bradford Deanery for Kadugli. Please give via your church if you can, or directly. The account details are:

Bank:	Lloyds Bank Trowbridge
Name of Account:	Bradford Deanery
Sort Code:	30-98-75
Account No.	00710285
Reference	Kadugli. (<u>N.B. This is important</u>)

Please also consider ways of raising funds for Kadugli.

And as always, we ask you to pray.

Prayer Diary

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"He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire." - Psalm 46:9

Pray for Bishop Hassan as he leads ministry in the Nuba Mountains.

1 Pray for the security situation and for peace and stability for the population in Sudan, especially in Kadugli and all areas of the Nuba Mountains .

2 Pray for the church and its mission in Sudan; in these circumstances this is very, very difficult.

3 Pray for the service of training ministers in different churches during the next two months.

4 Pray for Bishop Hassan's family situation, especially for his son Yassi Hassan, who is on an education trip at the Uganda Christian University. Scholarships are required for him, and the financial conditions are very difficult.

5 Pray for Bishop Hassan's daughters, Yaqeen Hassan, Yasmine Hassan, and Jaffa Hassan, all of whom have severe malaria.