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A SOVEREIGN CONNECTION REVISITED

Psalms 67:1-2 NIV

May God be gracious to us and bless us...so
that your ways may be known on earth, your
salvation among *all nations*.

DEAR FRIENDS OF GALCOM,

Some of you might recall our series *A Sovereign Connection* we did over a consecutive three-year period in the month of June covering some of what the Lord is doing in Uganda. These previous reports featured the amazing story of how God sovereignly connected Galcom to Romanian broadcasting pioneer Radu Muresan and his desire to reach tribal-language speakers in southwest Uganda with Christian radio.* Sadly, Radu did not live to see this dream fulfilled when he passed away at the age of 46.



Leo & Anca Szasz visiting the Galcom office

Radu's dying dream is alive and continuing to move forward here on Earth, praise the Lord! Thanks to the generosity of Galcom partners, a total of 3,000 radios tuned to 102.6 FM were sent to Kabale. These "mini-missionaries" are touching thirsty souls with the Good News of Jesus Christ every day!

Very recently, Leo and Anca Szasz from Romania were able to visit our office in Tampa. We were blessed to spend the day with this incredible power couple for the Kingdom and hear them recount their experiences in Kabale, Anca wrote:

God spoke to me through you and your vision regarding Romania, and when you offered to send us radios I said, "God is here and He is in control over this project," so I decided to get involved in God's plan. After this experience I saw life differently. I saw the joy on the faces of those who received radios. Some could not believe that the radio device was a gift. I'm sure that for some of them this small piece was the first gift received in their lives. I felt overwhelmed to see what God is doing with those radios specially created for the people there. I, along with my husband, Leo, want to thank you for your prayers, your partnership in His mission, and your generosity.

Radios were distributed to workers in fields, hospitals, and jails throughout Kabale, Uganda



In addition to our presence in Kabale through the Galcom and Romanian partnership, we're also serving in northern Uganda at the Adjumani Refugee camp. This particular camp is located 5 miles from the South Sudanese border and occupied by 70,000 people distributed in smaller camps of about 5,000-6,000 people in each group, and spread over a 60 km radius. Don McLaughlin**, our ministry partner with High Adventure in Canada, sent this condensed update after his peace-initiative trip to northern Uganda:

"The thought that we might build the first Christian radio station for a UN supported refugee camp inside Uganda was just too much—I was in! Tribal fighting has plagued many areas in Africa and unfortunately, South Sudan did not escape these atrocities and slaughter. As often happens, the victims are women and children who fled for their lives, many of them into northern Uganda where the Adjumani Refugee camp provided security under Ugandan leadership. Ugandan government officials were faced with the responsibility to maintain peace among the refugees inside their borders, it seemed natural to consider radio as part of the solution and as simple as that, the dream for peace FM (Usalama FM) began. Galcom graciously supported with a 50 watt transmitter that enabled Usalama FM to do exactly what we dreamed and prayed for it to do—encouraging fighting tribes to live together in harmony. We sensed real peace. Formerly warring tribes were now smiling together! The small vision to encourage biblical peace and harmony among battling South Sudanese tribes was an experiment with no guaranteed outcome and our Ugandan government host understood that. But we knew that a Christian voice can and does bring peace as listeners embrace the message and the Author of the message. Many refugees are finding Christ through the broadcasts and call in for prayer and salvation."



Refugees are transformed by the restorative power of Jesus at Camp Adjumani.

With the support of donor-partners like you, Galcom was able to dispatch hundreds of solar-powered ImpaX radios fix-tuned to 99.7 Usalama FM and preloaded with a full Arabic audio Bible. Rex and Melinda Guynn (Uganda Field Coordinators with Missionary Ventures International)*** recently wrote, "the ImpaX player is the best tool that we have for spreading the gospel to the very deep places that we travel in to the bush. Giving the Word of God, with a radio, is a huge gift to our people. We are happy to tell you also that the device is strong and endures the hard conditions that people live in this region."

Thank you Galcom donors for your continued prayer and support that make Galcom's growing global outreach possible. Your continued partnership with us is greatly appreciated. If you would like to consider going on a future Galcom International missions trip, please contact the office.

For the Unreached,

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*See previous June 2012, June 2013, June 2014 newsletter at <http://galcomusa.com/newsletter.html>

**See <http://galcomusa.com/pdf/July2012Eltr.pdf>

*** See <https://www.mvi.org/about/field-coordinators/rex-and-melinda-guynn/>