



RAFIKI

FOUNDATION
MISSIONARY NEWSLETTER

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Rafiki Village Uganda at Yeen-Lan's Farewell Party

Dear friends and family,

The Rafiki residents were trickling out of the gardens—arms full of pumpkins, matoke, and banana leaves harvested for tomorrow's lunch. David was left alone in a field of dark, leafy greens. Golden hour light streamed through the trees as I approached him. "Hi David. What are you picking?" "Oh, just some gobe leaves." The birds sang and nested in the trees above, and I watched David for a few moments. David piped up, "No one likes to do this job." "Really? why?" "Because you have to pick one small leaf at a time. It is hard work." I smiled, "Seems like a good analogy for life."

Walking away from David I thought how true that has been of my service with Rafiki. Waking up each day and simply doing the next right thing: so to speak—picking the next gobe leaf, and then the next, and then the next.

God has given me different fields to harvest over the years. When I first arrived in Africa, He sent me to teach Primary Two at the Rafiki Christian Classical School of Rwanda. A couple years later I was given the role of Headmaster. In 2017 God moved me to work a larger field, leading the Rafiki Christian Classical School of Uganda. Now God has brought me to a place of serving as the Village Administrator for the Rafiki Village Uganda.

As the Village Administrator I am responsible for overseeing the entire operation of Rafiki Village Uganda: five programs, fifty-four national employees, 230 students, fifteen college students, three missionaries, and a nearly 60-acre Village; plus establish and maintain relationships with government and church leaders. It is a large field! I am so very grateful for a strong missionary team and national program leaders who daily work this field with me.

I am also grateful for your prayers and support. As I take on this new role, will you please specifically pray for:

- *Wisdom in prioritizing*
- *Strong relationships with government and church leaders*
- *Continued unity on the Missionary Team*
- *The Missionary Team to continue engaging the national staff in effective training*
- *Everyone in the Rafiki Village to live and work for God and not man*
- *Excellence and integrity to permeate all that is done at Rafiki Village Uganda*

Also, please pray for my predecessor, Yeen-Lan Lam.

Earlier this year Yeen answered the call to serve as the Village Administrator of Malawi, and she needs more missionaries to join her. *Please pray God builds up a strong team to lead Rafiki Village Malawi.*

Picking, with great joy and expectancy, one gobe leaf at a time.

With love,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly". The letters are cursive and fluid, with a large initial 'K'.

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