

## NEWS

- ❑ Pokot Archdeaconry was inaugurated on 30.5.2004 and Ven. Simon Aisu who completed his studies at Uganda Christian University is the new Archdeacon of Pokot.
- ❑ Kiru Archdeaconry was inaugurated on 13.6.2004 and Ven. Robert Achilla appointed archdeacon for Kiru Archdeaconry.
- ❑ Five new Parishes created in Labwor i.e. Awach, Achangali, Rackoko, Atunga and Aywee – positive signs of Church growth.
- ❑ Rev. Joseph Lomongin is appointed Diocesan Secretary w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> August 2004 taking over from Rev. Nelson Owilli who remains as Diocesan Development Co-ordinator.
- ❑ Rev. Samuel Ngorok Pastor of Iriri parish is appointed new Diocesan Mission Co-ordinator replacing Rev. Joseph Lomongin.
- ❑ Staff houses at Diocesan Training Centre Lotome renovated and solar lights installed in the college to provide lights for staff and students. We thank God and Christians of Alton for support..
- ❑ Drought has destroyed most crops in Karamoja region. Serious famine is anticipated in the coming year. Let us pray that the second rain of August to October may sustain to support some crops and pray for God's provision in the coming year.
- ❑ A good number of rebels fighting Government in Northern Uganda have surrendered including their commanders. Let us continue to pray for peace in Northern Uganda and Karamoja region.
- ❑ The church building in Kotido is being roofed this week. We thank God and Christians from the Church of Brian Tombs and Rev. Ken Hobbs for the financial support for the roof.
- ❑ Kaabong Church has also been roofed and we thank God for the efforts of the local people for their financial support.
- ❑ Mothers Union worker has now organised Mothers' Union groups through out the Diocese with elected executive committee members. These committee members need training on group management and leadership skills. Pray for this group.
- ❑ Youth Vocational and Development Centre opened in Abim 1<sup>st</sup> week April 2004. There are now 30 students and two tutors taking them through tailoring, masonry and carpentry skills. The centre has no funds for its running. Let us pray for this Youth Centre.
- ❑ Rev. Zadok Okello, Rev. Simon Aisu and Miss Florence Akech successfully completed their theological training May 2004. They are now in different parishes. We thank God for the support from the family of Jeremy towards the fees of Zadok and Florence and Crosslinks for the fees of Simon Aisu.
- ❑ Two students have joined Janani Luwum Theological College Gulu this academic year. They are Rev. Billington Okello for Diploma in theology and Mr Michael Okello for Certificate in theology. Let us pray for their families who will struggle on their own for the next three years. We thank God for financial support from Reformed Mission League – Holland.
- ❑ Guest house in Namalu is reported near completion with kitchen, bathroom and toilet. We thank God for financial support from Alton.
- ❑ Church of Good Shepherd, Lotome is renovated and completed with funds from the family for Brian and Norma Herd. May God's name be blessed.
- ❑ Iriri church built and roofed.