# **Rn'B News**

CANADA

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# Moving Forward Winter2018/2019

This is Philliam, a former businessman turned evangelist who sees great potential in the walking tractor.

The development of this tractor is to help advance agriculture, and express God's love in a practical way.

Richard, welding on the tractor pulley.





On route to Canada, stopping in Germany to visit our son Curtis at Bodenseehof Bible School on Lake Constance.

### **THEN to NOW**

At the conclusion of the three months volunteering as short term missionaries through AVANT, several things became clear.

- 1. We could see building on the relationship we had developed with Gordon and Sharon Skopnik of Avant Ministries.
- 2. Ruth and I had to further develop a ministry plan that would enable both of us to serve in a meaningful way. (See page 2)
- 3. Our land had been rented out starting in 2018, so the next logical step was to hold a machinery sale in order to free us up for a more committed work in ministry to Africa. After helping my neighbors with seeding, I (Brian) spent the rest of the summer fixing up our farm equipment in preparation for an Auction Sale. The sale, August 11, went better than expected and confirmed in our hearts that we made the right move. Maybe you have to be a farmer to appreciate this, but it was an emotional time for us and our family to see all the equipment leaving our yard, signaling the end of an era. Although we are no longer farming, the farm will remain home base for us.

## Greetings to our friends and family,

It has been awhile since our last newsletter but we wanted to have a few more details of our path forward in place before communicating with you.

#### A QUICK RECAP

January 13 to April 19 – Koboko, Uganda, **It can be done!** Three family units under one roof (team leaders Gordon and Sharon Skopnik, host family, Leroy and Amanda Ray and their 6 children and us), working with training church planters team and Brian constructing the first "walking tractor".

The initial local response to "the walking tractor" was very positive as they anticipate more to come.

Equipment leaving the farmyard



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#### **Next Steps**

In late August we were accepted as full-time missionaries with Equip Canada. We settled on Equip because we felt they were the best fit for our ministry vision.

Our vision is now two-fold. 50% of our time in Africa developing the walking tractor, and 50% home assignment promoting Equip Canada.

Equip's center in the States provides practical human needs training, in such categories as food, water, shelter, health care, and community development. Our dream is to offer this training to Canadians, right on our farm in Riverton, at some point in the future. Our shop would require a few windows and some painting to create a suitable classroom space.

To learn more about the course details, visit equipinternational.org/courses

#### Partner with us:

We have started down the path to raise our income support for this new missionary venture. Our target is \$5000.00/month which will cover our travel and living expenses in Africa, as well as maintaining things at home.

We are connecting with potential supporters in Canada and the US. Would you consider investing in God's Kingdom Building in this way?

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#### **Prayer & Praise:**

- 1. For you, those who have joined our team with prayer and support.
- 2. For our loving Father who has patiently shepherded us to partner with Equip, and their guidance in the vision forming process.
- 3. John 10: That we will remain close to our Good Shepherd and hear His voice. As we walk out Romans 12:1-2 in our lives.
- 4. For protection in travel. Not only to/from Africa, but visiting supporters in North America
- 5. For our partners and African Colleagues for health, provision, and spiritual growth, as they plant churches among the tribes in the refugee camps. For unity among the tribes. For healing in all spheres of human life.



Our Farm - the hopeful location for hosting Equip Canada's training

We welcome the opportunity to share our work with you, your group, or your church.

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#### **Ways to Donate**

Mail a cheque or 12 post-dated cheques for the ministry of Brian and Ruth Dyck
In your online banking, add Equip Canada as a Bill Payee
Donate online through the Canadian or USA Equip websites

Thank you for your support of Brian and Ruth Dyck serving in Africa!