



Cal Bombay Ministries

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DO YOU USE VOLUNTEERS?

Oh Yes! Volunteers, along with those who support this ministry financially, are the backbone of this whole undertaking. We have had some, and will have many more who volunteer to go to Sudan as workers/teachers on the farms for periods to be mutually agreed upon.

It should be clearly understood that Sudan farming in which a volunteer will be involved is best described as "Pioneer farming in the Twenty-first Century". Land-clearing of bush, trees and stones is the first step. Much of that will be done by others before the volunteers arrive. Our hope is to have two volunteers on a farm in order to provide con-



Rainy Season Roads

roads are bad!!!

A list of the type of clothes needed, as well as personal things you might want to take will be provided. There is a limit of two suitcases. Some North American non-perishable goods have been sent and are kept at the Central SFC and will be issued on request. Most foods can be bought in nearby towns as well, which, because of the roads are not **really** 'nearby'. As well telephone (cellular) service is spotty at best, and not available in many cases.

Anyone wanting to look into becoming a volunteer farmer should contact Cal Bombay directly. A volunteer will need two references with whom Cal can speak by telephone and email.

Cal can explain the best times of year to go to benefit the farms to the greatest degree.

Please consider volunteering. It will be a life-changing opportunity!

"The Righteous considers the cause of the poor, but the wicked does not understand such knowledge."

Solomon - Proverbs 29:7

PLEASE HELP

CAL BOMBAY MINISTRIES

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Hand Clearing

sidered opinions and expertise in solving whatever problems may arise, as well as to have ‘company from home’ while in Sudan.

For farmers who go to teach/demonstrate the use of modern technology in farming, their stay is generally at least three months. It is best if they arrive just before the beginning of a rainy season and leave just as the harvesting is finished. There are two rainy seasons. The main rains fall from April to October. Harvesting a ripened grain crop in November is concurrent with planting the new crop.

Volunteers are asked to pay their own flights to Entebbe, Uganda (Visa available on the spot when you arrive) where they will be met by one of the management team of the Savannah Farmers Cooperative (SFC). Cal Bombay Ministries can get favorable air fares. It will cost another \$200+ to fly to Sudan or northern Uganda where border crossing is arranged and a visa will be issued. Generally, arriving volunteers spend one or two nights at a hotel in Kampala where they are able to buy whatever they need. It is then a full day’s drive north through Uganda on good roads to the Sudan border.

As time goes on, volunteers will be needed in specific trades, such as mechanics, specialty farming and agricultural teachers.

Every effort is made to make a volunteer as comfortable as possible in the “Guest Houses” built on each farm compound. It is NOT modern living, and can present some cultural challenges.

On every SFC farm we make every effort to have a small kerosene fridge as well as an adequate cook-stove. Furniture is often sent from Canada in containers with the tractors and equipment. Bed sheets, blankets and pillows are provided.

The farm manager will help you understand the culture, and will listen to your farming advice. Your main job will be to demonstrate and teach the use of tractors, ancillary equipment and, and to demonstrate how best to plow fields according to the lay of the land. **Tractor maintenance is critical.** Regular servicing must be insisted upon.

Each volunteer farmer should take some initiatives in developing essential services on the farms, including storage, transport and handling of crops for distribution by the General Manager. Volunteers can make themselves available for advising other small farms near the SFC farm at which they are stationed. The SFC Farm Manager will make all arrangements for the use of tractors and/or equipment with local small farms.

While there, volunteers may grow their own vegetable gardens. Seeds can be bought in Uganda. The General Manager under the guidance of the Managing Director will decide with the local SFC Farm Manager what crops to be grown. This will result from soil testing to be done at our own soil analysis lab at the Central SFC Compound.

Travel will be provided “sometimes” by the Land Cruiser when goods are to be carried, or by motorcycle for short hops. The



Passion Fruit

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