

Latest News From Our Congo Family

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The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) has been rocked by conflict for over 30 years. Many of you already know something about the current crisis in the eastern DRC that began in early 2025. The fighting and slaughter of innocent people by M23 soldiers began in Goma and continues to spread. The people of Congo are left to suffer the consequences. News reports indicate about 7,000 people have



Children at Congo for Christ Center have been relocated to two homes that they hope will not be in an area targeted by M23 rebels and soldiers.

been killed, over half of them children. Another 450,000 or more are now homeless as they flee for safety. Another horrific report told of the brutal killing of 70 Christians.



Daniel's family and two of the CCC students who had passports were able to leave Uvira.

Thankfully, the fighting has not reached the campus of Congo for Christ Center (CCC) in Uvira but it could be only a matter of days. The children of



One leg of the journey to freedom for Daniel and the group was on this overcrowded and dangerous boat.



I can't imagine having to take my family in such conditions to seek freedom. Thank God they arrived safely in Tanzania.

CCC have all been placed in rented homes and the campus is in lock down. Soldiers have tried to enter Pastor Jeremiah's and Daniel's homes to steal food and supplies but so far, they have not succeeded. There are food and water shortages, and hospitals are overflowing. We are thankful to report that even

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though it was with great difficulty, Pastor Jeremiah was able to leave DR Congo and join his family in Uganda.



This picture tugs at my heart because usually when the CCC children see a camera they respond with huge smiles, dancing and joy. These precious children should not be facing the circumstances they find themselves in.

Along with many of the CCC university students residing in Bukavu, Pastor Fred and his family also live there. Bukavu has also fallen into the hands of the rebels. Unfortunately, Pastor Fred was on his way to Burundi for medical treatment when the city was taken over. Burundi closed the border and is not allowing refugees from DRC to enter, preventing Pastor Fred from getting needed medical treatment. Also, Bukavu is cut off and he is currently unable to return to his family. After several days, he was able to make his way to Fizi where we support the Fizi Children's Home and two schools. He is there now, waiting for an opportunity to return to his family.



This picture shows the supplies they were able to purchase this month. Sadly, it looks like less than in previous months, but as prices rise and supplies are limited we are thankful for what they have.

As members of the body of Christ, it is our responsibility to do all that we possibly can to stand with them. If one part of the body suffers, we all suffer. **The best way we can support them now is through our prayers and financial gifts.** These are extremely difficult and chaotic days for the Congolese people and God's love compels us to act on their behalf. Again, the situation in the DRC is dire, and millions are being affected. **Please join us by interceding on their behalf and any amount of financial assistance you could provide toward this urgent need would be greatly appreciated.**



Pastor Fred preaching at the church in Fizi.



Church service in Fizi. Please pray for these dear brothers and sisters in need.

**"If one part suffers, every part suffers with them; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with them."
I Corinthians 12:26**

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