Grace and Peace in Jesus,

This is an initial communique regarding Gulain Mapendano Muissa and his family. They are a Congolese family living in a refugee settlement in Uganda.

The purpose for my writing is to reach out to local churches, house churches, ministries, and other Christian groupings which may be led by the Lord to help Gulain travel overseas, apply for asylum, and eventually be able to have his family join him. As you read, please pray about the possibility that this may be a "missions project" that God is asking you to commit to.

If you are interested in learning more, I will provide more details of the plan and process of the project. But I would like to begin by giving you Gulain's backstory:



Gulain Mapendano Muissa

Gulain's family owned land in Walikale East, North Kivu - northeast Congo (DRC). Ownership of the land was passed down from his great grandfather to his grandfather, to his father, and then to himself.

The terrorist group, Forces Démocratiques de Libération du Rwanda (Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Rwanda or "FDLR"), seizes lands in the DRC in order to sustain itself outside of Rwanda, and also to adopt the mineral rights of the lands. The FDLR raped and murdered Gulain's mother and murdered his father. Then, when searching for Gulain, the FDLR also murdered his first wife, Elize, who had given birth to their son, Joseph. (I have not mentioned all of the exact details of these horrendous attacks and murders which he has shared with me.)

In October 2014, Gulain remarried to Kakasi. The FDLR later returned to attempt to murder Gulain. His son, Joseph, was tortured by burning, and Gulain was wounded by a bullet. But he and his family were able to escape and travel over the nearby border into Uganda. In October 2018, they took refuge in the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) refugee camp Kayaka II where they are still living today.

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Gulain was converted in 2018. After completing a course of biblical studies, he was called into ministry in 2019. He and his wife, Kakasi began ministering to people in the refugee camp, using their home as a gathering place. From 2022 to 2024, he studied theology at the refugee center on a scholarship with Makerere University. Currently, he is one of my best students in the At Christ's Table School of Biblical Studies.



Gulain and Kaksi Muissa and Family

(L – R): Kakasi (31), Gulain (41), Gilbert (9), Veronica (Kakasi's sister – 16), Joseph (15), (L – R): Betty (1), Bienvenue (3), Norbert (5). Robert (7)

I am committed to facilitating the project to get Gulain overseas. There are two different routes for him to enter the country: either by "Invitation" or "Declaration", the details of which can be explained later. But briefly, it would require airfare and a commitment to sponsor and host Gulain for a three-month stay. (Example: For a "Declaration", current government regulations require a commitment of \$2,425 along with airfare and suggest a group of at least five people be formed to administrate the project.) Once in the country, Gulain would apply for Asylum, find employment, and then send for the rest of his family.

Please pray about this, and if you believe the Lord is leading your group into this "missions project", please feel free to contact me for further information and inquiries:

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