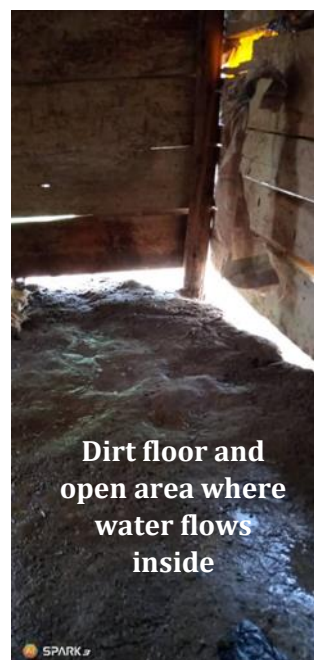


Hello Say Yes Friends – this is sort of a pre-newsletter letter because something has come up we need to share with you. We will send out the monthly newsletter soon. Until then...

Denis & Sarah Colins are raising rabbits on the land Say Yes helped them purchase in 2019. This land is amazing – it has spring fed water on it and has a beautiful and thriving banana plantation. Say Yes was also able to help Denis & Sarah fence the entire property, which is so necessary for security purposes.

Now here comes the latest rub for these guys....the man Denis had staying on the property for security and to help him with the crops and the livestock has abruptly left. As he left he took the simple solar system Say Yes purchased for the makeshift shelter he had built to sleep in and for the chickens and rabbits. He also took the bedding that was provided for him as well as the remaining chickens Denis had. And Denis thinks he sold the dog that was kept on the property for added security. Apparently he was very disgruntled that his living conditions had not improved (although he was the one who asked for a place to stay). We didn't know about his frustrations or we would have tried to alleviate the situation as best we could. But that is neither here or there at this point. Denis & Sarah need someone else to stay on the property to tend to the rabbits and crops and to make sure things are secure.

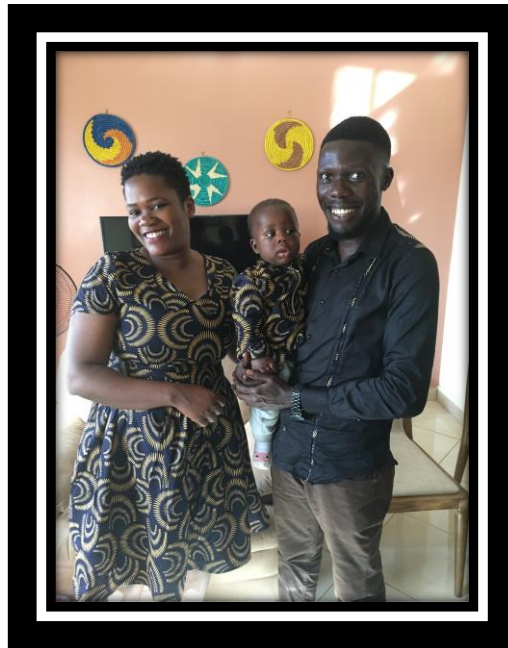
Say Yes has already paid to have a bio-digester toilet system installed on the property (digging a pit latrine was not feasible because the water table is very high). At the time we were not able to build a structure for the flushing toilet/shower room. The neighbors are no longer willing to allow anyone staying at the property to use their pit latrines. So now it is vital to get this project going. We want to build a small structure for the toilet/shower rooms along with a small room for a bed and personal items for the next person to stay at the property. The current structure is too unstable and rotten for anyone to stay in, as you can see by the pictures.



Of course, this project impacts more than just Denis & Sarah. The man who has agreed to stay on the property will be paid a small monthly salary along with lodging and bedding. Denis & Sarah share their food and he can raise his own food. This is a great opportunity for this gentleman who is currently not working and needs a place to stay.

The entire cost for the proposed small brick structure is about \$1250. This will provide secure and dry lodging. And will bring peace of mind to Denis & Sarah. They eventually want to build a house on the land but that is way down the road for them as they develop their rabbit and fish business and tend to the current needs of their family. We don't have the funds to get this building started at this time so we are reaching out to you once again for assistance. We would love to have you join us to move this project forward.

Please let us know if you are able to help – any amount will be greatly appreciated. This is yet another opportunity to help young people get a start in life right there in Uganda.



Denis & Sarah Colins with son, Great Miles

Thank you for helping to make a difference!

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