

# The Fuller Family Link

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## Support Status

Monthly \$6,500  43%

Outgoing \$28,900  63%



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## Congo's Other Mission Field *by Owen*

When I went to DRC this winter to help install two satellite dishes, I didn't think there would be many opportunities to share my faith. I don't speak French yet, and two weeks is hardly enough time to build a good relationship with any of the Congolese. I had reasoned that the trip would be solely for "physical" ministry.

During my visit God opened my eyes to the "other mission field" in DRC. There is a growing number of humanitarian workers serving in eastern Congo. Most of them come from Europe where, according to some sources, the population is less than five percent Christian. Five percent! MAF's close working relationships with other organizations operating in DRC provides opportunities for us to share Christ with these people.

God gave me one such opportunity during a four-day stay in a jungle town called Dingila. I was working with Solo, another MAF staff member, to get Internet access in place for a team from Doctors Without Borders. While we were there we ate meals with their staff and spent time with them in the evenings. A couple days into our work Solo asked if I had any clothes that needed washed and offered to take it to the hired help who did laundry. Mina, a young woman from Norway, looked surprised and commented that she'd noticed how kind we were to each other, helping each other and not fighting. Our actions were speaking loudly without us knowing it.

Another evening I had an opportunity to talk with Mina (in English, of course). She seemed surprised that I didn't consider myself religious. I explained that Christianity is a relationship, not a religion. We talked about Christ's love, His death and resurrection, and salvation. I have no idea if anything I said left an impression. I do know God used me in ways I never expected.

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## Changing Plans

Since our last newsletter we have changed our plans regarding language school. We started building our ministry partnership team last August with the goal to be fully funded by the end of July 2011 and to go to Quebec this August for the fall semester of French school. The last couple of months we have been evaluating our plans, seeking counsel from leadership at MAF, and going to God in prayer. While we've seen huge jumps in our out-going support (34% to 63% in the last month!) our monthly ministry support has grown very slowly over the last several months. This has been a big factor in the decision to move our language school target date to January 2012. The new baby has also been a consideration. Leaving for the spring semester, instead of the fall semester, means we'll have an eight-month-old rather than a three-month-old at the start of language studies. We feel this will be much better for our family. It's a change we make with mixed emotions, but as the front page story illustrates, God's plans are better than ours. Please keep praying for us as we move forward!

## Prayer Requests

*Adjustment for parents and siblings — to life with a new baby  
For new monthly supporters on our ministry partnership team  
Praise and continued prayer for relationships we've been building  
with new churches lately*



## Omri Kent Fuller

Born May 17, 2011  
at 2:32 AM  
in Grinnell, IA  
8 lbs. 8 oz., 20 in.  
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## Congo Facts

Congo has an area of  
905,355 sq. miles  
( $\approx$  1/4 of the U.S.)

There are only 1,736 mi.  
of paved road

There are 1.4 million  
internally displaced peo-  
ple and over 200,000  
refugees living in Congo

Life expectancy  
is 55 years

There are over 200  
ethnic groups

CIA World Factbook



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