

Ministry of Mercy Orphanage Update June 2018

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*Daniel & Esther Edeh,
the parents at Ministry of Mercy*



*Cake & Photo by
Joy Anaja*

Joys, sorrows, and struggles affect us all daily.

JOY! A wedding! Mercy, one of the daughters of Daniel and Esther Edeh married Joe Farris on June 30 in Virginia. Thank the Lord with us and pray that the Lord will provide, keep and guide this dear couple.

SORROW! In May, Emmanuel Egwaba died suddenly in the midst of his everyday activities. We've known him since 1979. He visited our mom and helped her with transportation while she served as a widowed missionary for just about 30 years, and was like family to us. We are thankful that we will see him again where there is no more sorrow. Please pray for Gloria and their children in their loss, grief and shock; he was only 56 years old.



STRUGGLES! Daniel and Esther Edeh with their two youngest children were refused visas to come for Mercy's wedding because Daniel "had nothing strong enough to bring him back to Nigeria." The official refused to look at the documents Daniel brought as evidence of his responsibility for the orphanages and Medical Center. It was such a disappointment for everyone. But tech-saavy David Simonds live-streamed the ceremony to family and friends assembled at the Lokoja Home so that they could witness the wedding.



300 dependents at Otutulu with
100 more at the Lokoja branch.



So many motherless babies.



The clinic saving the lives
of mothers & babies.

God's Word gives reassuring perspective on our joys, sorrows, and struggles --

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ...we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

2 Corinthians 4:7-9, 14-15

Let us pray for each other according to this Scripture as we all experience joys, sorrows, and struggles.

Thank you for your partnership!

Esther Nordman (for Ministry of Mercy and Caroline Gross' children)