

NEWS FROM ARU JUNE 2012

The last 6 weeks have certainly been eventful. The first Saturday in May was the occasion of yet another wedding. This time it was for a couple who work at the Anglican Health Centre. IPASC hosted the reception and provided a



The wedding



spectacular wedding cake. The gifts included several live chickens, countless casserole dishes, buckets, water carriers and other goodies.

Cutting the cake and receiving gifts



The day after the wedding I went to Ariwara with Archdeacon David where I was invited to preach. Ariwara is a big trading centre and as in UK people tend to be more drawn to buying and selling their produce than to attending church. The new Pastor Rev Enzo has a big job ahead of him to evangelise the area and encourage Sunday worship.

Gill with Mother's Union and the Sunday School Choir, Ariwara



On Sunday 13 May 30 adults were baptised and on Sunday 20 May 100 adults and young people were confirmed in the Cathedral. Unfortunately I could not attend the Confirmation service as I was confined to bed with a stomach upset.

The work of IPASC continues to flourish. The students in Aru and Bunia are preparing for their examinations which have taken pace this week. The Operational programmes continue to support the health of the population through radio broadcasts and more direct involvement with the communities.



People living with AIDS prepare to go to Arua in Uganda for assessment and treatment

Members of the CARM Drama group travel by lorry to Ameri, 45 Km from Aru, to sensibilsise the people in the streets and markets about AIDS prevention

