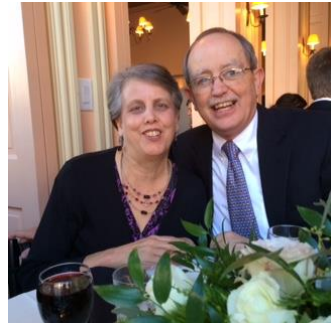


Flying into the New Year

“Time flies” is an old but true adage. As Joyce and I reflect back on the six months of our new adventure, we realize how gracious God has been to us. No surprise there, but we have seen his loving care and provision in unique and beautiful ways. Now, as we enter 2015, it’s time to fly to Uganda for several weeks of ministry. Joyce and I are excited about all that is before us in this New Year. Thanks for praying with us on each step of the journey.



Personal Items

- Pray for travel connections. Dave leaves tomorrow, Thursday January 8th, and flying out of Ithaca (or Central New York) in the winter is never easy. He arrives in Uganda on Friday evening after 30+ hours of transit. Please pray for good health and strength over the trip before returning on January 26th.
- Pray for Joyce as she works at Cornell and endures the icy blast and brief isolation of cold January days.
- Give thanks with us for our rejuvenating time over Christmas with Matt and Ashley in Philly, Joyce’s brother and family in NJ and good friends at a wedding in NC (location of picture).

Kampala Activity

- Pray for good reconnection with Kampala Baptist Church (KBC) leadership and friends as I engage the church in various ways during these days.
- Pray for a **January 17th seminar** on *Leading Bible Studies* that I am providing for leaders of Sunday morning Bible classes at KBC. Additionally, I may be asked to preach a sermon, so pray that I will be prepared to speak God’s Word into the lives of his people.
- Pray for time with KBC elders as we look at future roles of pastoral training in Uganda.

Masaka Teaching - January 19-22

- Pray for the gathering of pastors and church leaders in Masaka. These leaders come from more than 26 churches and will number above 70 people. Give thanks with us that Bethel Grove Bible Church has provided the funds to provide this vital ministry.
- Pray for the engagement of the participants as we study Judges and Ruth. These Old Testament books provide great insight into the nature of sin, revival and God’s provision of Christ for redemption.
- Pray for insight into how best to provide needed resources for biblical study in the future.

Other Requests

- Pray for Dave’s growing cultural insight through interaction with East African church leaders at the African Great Lakes Initiative in Kampala during the week of January 11th.
- Pray for planning time with Thomas Abach of Oyam for upcoming April and November training.
- Continue to pray for the financial resources and prayer partners needed to fulfill the *Partnerships For Training Pastors* ministry in 2015.