

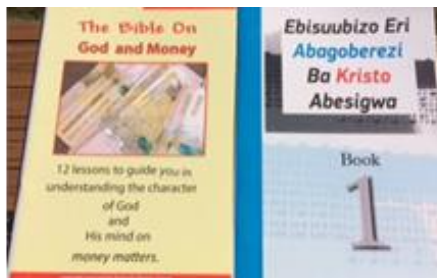
“Every time you cross my mind, I break out in exclamations of thanks to God. Each exclamation is a trigger to prayer. I find myself praying for you with a glad heart. I am so pleased that you have continued on in this with us, believing and proclaiming God’s Message, from the day you heard it right up to the present. There has never been the slightest doubt in my mind that the God who started this great work in you would keep it up and bring it to a flourishing finish on the very day Christ Jesus appears.” Philippians 1:3-6 (The Message)

Thoughts From Dave - These words capture my emotions and thoughts as I reflect on what God is doing through our partnerships. The Apostle Paul speaks of the immense privilege God gives us to share our lives and resources for the advancement of the gospel and the building up of God’s people. What was true for Paul and the Philippian believers is certainly true for us as well!

It is exciting to see how God is using trained leadership to encourage growth and commitment in the Masaka and Oyam regions of Uganda. In the fall months, Kampala Baptist Church will send two mission teams to train pastors in Northern Oyam. In 2017 we hope that Masaka trained Pastors will share in training central Ugandan Pastors.

Resource Development

One of our goals involves developing discipleship material for ministry in Uganda. Designed by Pastor Andrew Mwenge and Kampala Baptist Church, *Partnerships For Training Pastors* provided financial assistance to translate and publish these two resources.



So, I am thankful for what God is doing in Uganda and grateful for your partnership in this ministry. Your prayers and financial support keep us going. As we move toward the end of 2016, please keep Joyce and me in your prayers as we determine how God wants to use “our partnership” in new ways in 2017 and 2018.

August in Uganda

Masaka - Partnering with church leaders in Masaka, the Emerging Leaders training opened up new possibilities for these young adults. The two day training culminated with a vision of joining them with the Masaka Pastors and Church Leaders Training in January. *Pray for these young adults as they serve with church leaders*



and that older pastors and leaders will encourage and mentor them.

Oyam- Traveling to Oyam takes us to a much different part of Uganda. Educational and economic challenges abound for these Christ-followers. Our strategy is to identify 12 leaders that will benefit from a day of concentrated study on themes of church leadership. This time we considered “leadership prayer” as emphasized in the Old Testament book of *Nehemiah*. The large group study (see picture to the right) is working their way through the Pentateuch. During this visit we studied *Numbers* and emphasized the need for trust in God’s provision for His church through Jesus. In January, we will teach Deuteronomy which will lead us to a new focus for Oyam in the future. *Pray for the development of this strategy in the remaining months of 2016.*



Our vision is to encourage and equip less-resourced Majority World pastors through biblical teaching and resources. Beginning in Uganda, we will assist national church leaders and mission partners as they nurture pastors and develop emerging leaders to the glory of God.



Masaka Pastors and Wives Retreat – September 5-7

Led by the Masaka Church Leaders, this time provide for marriage enrichment and rest. Partnerships For Training Pastors provided financial resources and the following e-mail, from Pastor Abel, offers an update on the retreat.

“Dear brother Dave, thank you so much for the email, indeed the pastors and wives conference went very well, Pastors and their wives were sincerely very excited with all the wonderful teachings that were presented. The turn up was very good too. Most of all our churches were represented, like 98%. At the end of the conference we had a brain storming session, in this most Pastors and their wives brought a suggestion that if resources allow, this kind of conference be held at least once in every two years.

Pastor Aloys taught a topic on *How to Have a Godly and Christian Marriage*. Pastor Abel taught a topic on *How to Raise Children*, Pastor Johnson Magaya and his wife, of Kampala Baptist Church, taught a topic on *Challenges and Threats in Marriage*, Pastor Sam Tushabe, taught a topic on *How to Prepare for Pastoral Retirement*. We also had some group discussions, question and answer time.

We held the conference at Hilton Guest House in Masaka. This place had good double beds for the marrieds and good meals at reasonable prices. The Pastors and wives left the conference very edified and made commitments to go back to their homes and correct mistakes that have been causing trouble in their marriages and also look to God and His word for solutions in their marriages.

Thanks, Much Love to you brother Dave and sister Joyce.”

Pastor Abel



Schedule for Upcoming Zambia and Uganda Trip

- September 21-** Leave Elmira Airport at 11:50 am
- September 22 -** Arrive in Lusaka, Zambia on Thursday at 9:10 pm
- September 23 -** Travel 12 hours by car to Fimpulu and Choshen Farm
- September 24-25 -** Prepare for Pastor's and Church Leaders Conference
- September 26 -28 –** Mansa and Fimpulu Pastors and Church Leaders Conference on “*The Message of the Prophets - Part 2*”
- September 29 -** Travel from Fimpulu to Lasaka
- September 30 –** Leave on 2:30 am flight for Kampala, Uganda
- October 1-3 -** Pastoral ministry in Kampala and Masaka.
- October 3-5 -** Masaka Leaders Planning Retreat at Lake Mbuoro
- October 5 –** Leave Entebbe at 11:30 pm on KLM flight for return to Central New York on October 6

Join Dave at West Church in Peabody, MA as he speaks at their Mission Conference on Sunday, October 16 and Tuesday October 18. More information is coming in the October Update.

Prayer Requests

Pray for safety in travel as many miles will be logged through the air and on land.

Pray for the Zambia training, as Choshen Farm, our partnering ministry, is facing increased spiritual warfare due to witchcraft activities in the area.

Pray that our study of the Prophets will build up God's people in this region of Zambia.

Pray for the Northern Oyam outreach by the Kampala Baptist Church mission team.

Pray for the Masaka planning retreat on October 3-5, as we consider a vision for ministry through January of 2019.

Pray for the development of fiscal resources to continue ministry into upcoming years.

Pray for Joyce's encouragement as she remains in Ithaca during the upcoming trip.

Check out www.partnershipsfortraining.org for videos and updated information on the ministry!