

**Thoughts from Dave** – Back from Uganda, we have turned our focus to 2020 planning, an October Accountability Group meeting, potential enlargement of Emerging Leaders training in Uganda, as well as connecting with supporters and partner churches. Give thanks with us for the recent Uganda ministry trip and please pray about several developing ministry opportunities listed below.



**Ugandan Training of Trainers Project - August 18-23**

Three years ago, these pastors and church leaders began a comprehensive training program with the goal to train pastors across Uganda. Our August training completed their course work with an intensive study of the Epistles of John. They were required to develop a curriculum on 1 John that they can teach in their regions. A graduation celebration is scheduled for November 14-17 at Kampala Baptist Church, with wives joining their husbands for sessions on marriage and ministry. A strategy for future regional training events also will be developed over this weekend. **Please keep this**

**wrap-up event in your prayers as we move through the fall.**

**Emerging Leaders August 23-24** – We often ask, “How can these Ugandan young adults be equipped to serve Christ’s people with the spiritual gifts they have received?” This session emphasized 1 John’s themes of **right belief** (basic doctrine), **right living** (righteousness in moral action) and **right loving** (loving others as the social dimension of the gospel). John’s Epistles stress that walking in truth means going through each day engaging this world through Christ’s power. **Pray for these young people as they continue to grow in their faith and service.**



**Thanks for praying for the August meeting with Pastor Abel Segirinya.**

While at the Emerging Leaders event, Dave had the privilege of meeting with Pastor Abel to consider future partnership opportunities. As the new President of the Baptist Union of Uganda, Abel expressed his desire to replicate Emerging Leader training throughout Uganda. With more than 2,000 Ugandan Baptist churches, across nine geographical regions, this is an exciting yet challenging vision. **Please pray about this developing**

**conversation with Pastor Abel (center in picture) and for wisdom as “Partnerships” considers its role in this vision.**

**Prayer Items**

*Please keep us in your prayers as we navigate the months ahead, while we await the February 2020 completion of our residence in Mechanicsburg, PA.*

*Please pray for our continued effort to identify and establish new teaching colleagues for the Partnership team.*

*Pray for our responsibilities of planning and communicating 2020 ministry opportunities, along with asking the Lord to provide the financial resources to meet them.*

*Give thanks with us that several ministry friends and colleagues are now connected with New Horizons Foundation as their primary ministry organization.*

**Ministry Briefs**

**Recent Preaching Opportunities**

- July 28 – Christ Chapel, Ithaca
- August 4 - Bethel Grove Bible Church, Ithaca
- August 25 – Kigasa Baptist Church, Uganda
- September 8 – Aurora Free Church, Wisconsin

**Please pray for these upcoming events:**

- September 27 – Meeting with Drs. David and Diana Weber in Westmoreland, NY regarding Peru pastoral training and their ministry vision.
- October 15<sup>th</sup> - “Partnerships” Accountability Group meets in Ithaca, NY
- October 20<sup>th</sup> – Ugandan Update at Bethel Grove Bible Church with Pastor Andrew Mwenge
- October 27 – Speak at New Life Presbyterian, in Ithaca
- November 3-19 - trip to Zambia and Uganda

**Thanks for your continued interest, support, and prayers in all that the Lord is doing through “Partnerships”!**

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