

July 2023

**Opening Thoughts** - Lots going on since we last communicated. We continue to give thanks for the ongoing ministry of our Ugandan partners. Then there is Peru. Felix and his team again are moving up the Andes' mountainous roads with the truth of God's Word to equip Quechuan church leaders. It's exciting to see what God is doing around the world. Thanks for your partnership in so many ways. *Dave and Joyce*

**Our June 24<sup>th</sup> Accountability Group Meeting yielded several key decisions as we look to 2024 and beyond. Several of the resulting action points include:**

- Confirmation that our primary ministry commitment is the equipping of a new generation of Ugandan leaders for the growth of God's people and gospel outreach.
- Continual prayer for clarity in identifying overall leadership responsibilities beyond 2024.
- Prioritize 2024 **COHORT** training events (4) and **Trainers of Trainers (TOTs)** curriculum review events (3) to enhance regional leadership events across Uganda.
- Offer fewer large group **Partnerships** events, but empower **TOTs** and **COHORTS** to do more of the local training events in their home regions.
- Establish a clear mentoring strategy for Ugandan Team members to oversee what is taught and how training is done in local areas by these newly equipped teachers.
- Develop and provide new study materials and biblical resources for **COHORTS and TOTs**. Translation of this material now becomes a high priority for regional training.
- Increase additional prayer and financial supporters to meet expanded 2024 and 2025 budgets.



**Schedule for Dave's August 3-15  
Ugandan Trip**

**August 3:** 12:25pm departure from Harrisburg International Airport

**August 4:** 10:30 pm arrival in Entebbe after 27 hours of travel

**August 5-6:** Time at Kampala Baptist Church (KBC) with Dave preaching on Sunday.

**August 7- 11:** COHORT TWO group meets in Kampala

**August 12-13:** Wrap-up meetings with Ugandan Team and Saturday Morning KBC Bible Study Workshop

**August 14:** Final day in Kampala with 11:30 pm departure for home

**August 15:** Arrive back in Harrisburg International at 5:15 pm

**August Prayer Requests**

*Pray that in the daily events of Dave's trip, the Lord is honored and growth will happen in the life of individuals and churches to the glory of God.*

*Pray for Daudi Nkuggwa, Elisha Tumusiime, Pastor Andrew Mwenge and TOTs as they mentor this new COHORT Group.*

*Pray for Dr. Diana Weber, our Peruvian partner, who was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Diana lives in Westmoreland, NY with her husband David and they would be grateful for your prayers as they navigate through these uncharted waters.*

*Pray for our conversations with Kampala Baptist Church leaders about the possibility of the church's more hands-on oversight of future Ugandan ministry.*

*Pray for new connections with people, churches, and foundations interested in supporting the expanding ministry in Uganda.*

*“For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power,  
of love, and of self-discipline.”* 2 Timothy 1:7

### *Uganda Updates*

**Get to Know Elisha Tumusiime** - Elisha recently was invited to join our team as a part-time instructor for training events. In addition, he will serve as an editor of *Partnerships* curriculum and other writing projects. He joins Daudi Nkuggwa as our only contract personnel in Uganda.

Elisha is a young man with immense God-given gifts. After participating in our Training of Trainers group (2017-19), he enrolled in Jinja Baptist Seminary and will complete his studies this year. Elisha was youth pastor at Kampala Baptist Church until he moved to southwestern Uganda to serve in a church planting ministry. In April, he returned to Kampala and began serving with *Partnerships*. On July 15<sup>th</sup> Elisha married his fiancé Suma. **Join us in praying for Elisha and Suma as they begin this new season of life together.**



### ***Masaka Area Emerging Leaders Worship Seminar- July 18-21***

Daudi Nkuggwa writes: “The mobilization of 25 churches was great with 44 people turning up for the sessions. Worship and choir leaders engaged with biblical material in an effort to forge a way forward to improve worship in local churches.”

“There was a general agreement that worship in the local churches is very shallow and, in most cases, lacks the theological basis to build up the worshippers. In small groups, participants did group work by developing Sunday worship programs with the different themes and picking relevant songs that connect to the sermon. This helped many leaders in knowing how to plan and lead others in a coherent way.” **Pray for similar emerging leader growth across Uganda.**

**News from Our Peru Partners - Training for Pastors and Leaders as reported by Felix Cayco of Pacha Waray** – “The formation and preparation of new leaders and pastors to continue guiding God's people is very urgent. There are few opportunities to receive training in their own language. That is why Pacha Waray is conducting training for leaders and pastors out in Quechua communities.”



“On June 10 and 11 more than 20 leaders of one denomination, along with some of their members, met with us in one of their churches. Our workshop dealt with the Biblical view of sickness, healing, death, judgment, hell, and the new earth. At the end of our time together the participants were surprised and delighted that they finally understood and could share such important Bible topics in their own language.” **Pray for Felix as he leads this outreach ministry.**



**Final Thought** – We are very grateful for the financial oversight that New Horizons Foundation (NHF) provides as we go through each year. NHF has set up a direct link <https://admin.newhorizonsfoundation.com/donation/create/378> for anyone to donate online to *Partnerships*. OR you can send gifts to their new address at New Horizons Foundation Inc. Attn: *Partnerships for Training Pastors*, 731 Chapel Hills Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920. (Checks should be written to **New Horizons Foundation** with *Partnerships for Training Pastors* on memo line). Thank you for your ongoing prayers and generous support!