



Kampala was the gathering place for the COHORTS in early August. This group of young leaders come from across Uganda and were selected by regional church leaders for this two-year project. Our time together was full of interaction around the topic *Keeping to the Path of Biblical Truth: A Look at Sound and False Doctrine*.

COHORT is a word describing a group of people bonded together for a greater purpose.

One of the assignments during the week was to have each person write a personal statement of faith. Then, these statements could serve as starting points in the development of faith statements for local churches.

Additionally, the study material led to important observations on how to confront the abundance of false teaching that is occurring across Uganda and the world. Through skits, activities, small group interactions, and teaching on the many Scripture passages that warn about false teachers, the group left for home ready to stand firm in the gospel. Our next COHORT GROUP meeting is set for December 4-8 in Kampala. **Keep these guys in your prayers!**

Looking Ahead to 2024

As we move to the end of 2023, several key ideas are shaping the formation of our 2024 ministry. Please pray that the Lord will bring all the different pieces into place. Some of the ideas include:

- Prioritize 2024 **COHORT** training events (4) and **Trainers of Trainers (TOTs)** curriculum review events (3) that better prepares leaders to equip others.
- Offer fewer large group **Partnerships** events, but empower and mentor **TOTs** and **COHORTS** to lead more training events in their home regions.
- Develop and provide new bible study guides and other resources for **COHORTS and TOTs** to use in regional training seminars. Translation of this material now becomes a high priority.

Final Thoughts - In our last Update, we asked you to pray for the development of new connections with people, churches, and foundations. We are beginning to see several new responses interested in supporting the expanding Ugandan ministry. Please keep praying for this important need and contact us if you know of a church, or a friend, that might consider partnering with what God is doing through **Partnerships.**

Upcoming Ugandan Events

August 30 - September 1 - Tororo Emerging Leaders
 August 31 - September 2 - Mubende Area Pastors
 September - Buvuma Islands Pastors (TBA)
 October 2-4 - Kapchorwa Emerging Leaders
 October 5-7 - Bukwo Pastors
 October - Oyam Training Evaluation (TBA)

*These events are led by our Ugandan Team and cover topics key to gospel ministry. Dave joins the team for the October 2-7 Kapchorwa and Bukwo seminars. **Pray for the Ugandan team as they travel and teach in a variety of places.***

A Prayer from Psalm 90

“May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us; establish the works of our hands for us – yes, establish the works of our hands.”