

Uganda - Changed Lives

The past few weeks have shown great growth among the churches of Uganda. Our associate, Pastor Raphael, has been very busy! He has given us several messages about the ongoing work:

God is doing a new work! Can you imagine this woman, a former witch, turned to God and now she prays for her people.

We found her paralyzed on one side but God healed her. Today after the last day of the Leaders' Training, she organized a Thanksgiving party to the Lord for His faithfulness. In this I was really humbled as she gave us a goat and bunches of Matoke (bananas for cooking).



After preaching we made an alter call and people gave their hearts to Christ.

God has been so Good!



Raphael writes: "Recently I went with my little boy for a mission in northern Uganda. Here are a few pics."



Raphael writes:

By the Grace of God someone came and offered to help us dig a well for one of the villages without water in northern Uganda. You should have seen the joy on their faces as they were able to pump water for the first time.

We have been on a tour to visit 5 churches to strengthen them.

So far we have visited 2 and tomorrow we visit the 3rd one.



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Not everything goes according to plan. Unfortunately there are Christian "leaders" who are in the ministry for their own gain or their own ego. This was true even in the times of the New Testament and has continued on to today. We have to be sure that the people we work with have a pure dedication to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Raphael writes to us this unfortunate example:

We had invited a Nigerian Bishop who wanted to come to Uganda to minister. So we sent him an invitation letter to come and he got the visa but when he came here he really disappointed our people.

Can you imagine he even refused to get out of the car? We had invited him through a friend of mine who is a pastor in Kenya. I did not know him before.

He said that we had disappointed him. How could we bring him to minister in such a place as if he lacked a place to minister. How dare we bring him, a 'Man of God', to minister in a village? He said that he has travelled to 24 countries and is a great minister.

Imagine we have gathered all our Pastors from Nebi, Gulu, Nwoya, and Kiryandongo districts to listen to him.

He just drove off.

Thank God we had prepared our team from Christ In You Kampala to minister.

God is doing great things. You can't believe how hungry these men and women of God are to hear the Word of God.





The Church is so Full!



Rapheal in the Foreground

A Single Day Wedding Of Multiple Couples!

The churches in Uganda have grown so fast and new believers have multiplied so quickly that even married couples who have come to the Lord realize that they have never been formally married. They certainly have not had a Christian marriage.

So the churches in north Uganda arranged a day to have a simultaneous wedding ceremony of several couples. Some of these were church leaders and pastors and others were church members. The details were organized by the church in the capital city of Kampala.

Raphael give us a brief report along with several photographs:





The sisters really worked to beautify these brides. As the men worked in organizing the venue and ensuring all things were in place.

Thank you CIU team for making the day brilliant for this brethren. They may not pay you but the Lord will remember your Labour of Love.

Thank you Victor And Everyn for leading us.

Thank you Dr Paul (and CIY in America) for your support.













India

Our associate Pastor Simon Haqq of India has now returned home after spending a month in the United States. He is preaching this week in Punjab and within the next two weeks will be preaching in a large church in southern India. Please pray for him as evangelism in India is being met by increased antagonism and oppression.



Simon Haqq Preaching To a Family in Rural Punjab

A recent article in *Christianity Today* describes the marvelous opportunities as well as the troubling difficulties in the efforts of church growth and evangelism in India. I have reproduce this article for you here.

Romania

Our friend Pastor Sorin Sarbu continues to give us updates to his busy and effective ministry in northern Romania. He wrote to me an interesting letter along with photos which I pass on to you here.

Paul Rains

