

Rashid's Report 2012, 8th January 2013

Intro: I am very thankful that the Lord has allowed us to return to America this year. This is like homecoming for us!! Over the years., I had started to take my easy access to America for granted. My failure to come last year was like a wake-up call. I've been looking forward to this very peculiar fellowship of people who are praying for, and or have been to Uganda. The word fellowship is my simple summation of this annual meeting, to which my wife, son and I are very privileged to observe.

The 15 teams of 2012:

1. Dr Krabbednam & Rev Al Baker.,
2. David Rothbard & Lisa/Jason Croasdale
3. Rev Jim Sutherland.,
- 4.. Frank May and Elizabeth Tallman.,
5. Rev Bob Hayes.,
6. Dr Krabbendam.,
7. Dr JD Bonner & Lloyd Baker.,
8. Rev Bryan Breland.,
9. Randy McMilan.,
10. Rev Pete Anderson.,
11. Jon Johnson.,
12. Dr JD Bonner & Rev Bob Hayes.,
13. Wyatt George.,
14. Dr Krabbendam.,
15. Rev Bob Hayes.

Various ministries:

- A total of 13 Classes and Schools of Evangelism took place countrywide including one in Rwanda.
- Leadership Training inside South Sudan.
- Evangelism and Discipleship at Seeta Nazigo, Kiyoola, Ntenjeru, Mutungo, Kyamagemule, Mabaale and Fort-Portal.
- Medical Outreach re 900 people screened / 85 cataract surgeries at Kiyoola.
- Project Development at Mabaale, Ntenjeru, Kiyoola (new primary school)., Kaseremu and Semuliki (Radio).
- Church planting and Development at Mpunge, and 1 in the Eastern region.
- Orphanage work at Mutungo and at Bethel House (BH just moved to a new location).
- Chrises Pregnancy work at Return to Bethel, Namulanda.
- Tent Makers in Kampala and Central Presbyteries.
- The 4 wells drilled in 2011 have held well, though the water at Seeta Nazigo takes longer to get out of the ground.

Trouble in the churches:

- There is still trouble in the churches, albeit on a diminishing scale.
- Kapchorwa & Gulu issues seem to have stabilised over the past 2 years. The remaining problems seem to be isolated cases.
- In Masindi, Hoima, Mabaale and Fort Portal, the situation there seem to have settled for a schism. Reconciliation meetings took place but the brothers in the West opted to remain under New Life Presbyterian. There are more questions there than answers.

Needs:

- Leadership Training for men and women at WTC/S.
- Support for new church plants is crucial (the new terminology is church planting and development).

- Education sponsorship for needy students in schools / \$600 in annual fees per student.
- Need for well drilling at Mpunge (there is a new church and a school).

ACTM staffing: We are officially 2 paid workers in country, and a stream of other local ministry partners. From the onset, ACTI staff philosophy has been to develop its workers. Our salaries have stayed the same over a long period of time, and have possibly been sliced due to inflation over the years. We have never and will never complain about this, simply because we have been helped to develop. As a consequence, our working has become more and more efficient. We've been able to start projects and find more and more time to engage in these projects. In this regard, I would like to recommend that our salaries would remain the same per month but that we would be paid for 9 months out of the year. We are looking forward to a time when the salaries will be scraped all together!

The future:

- Followup. Followup. Followup.
- Teams going to new areas and regions every year, without followup, is not biblical.
- Adopt regions, churches, villages, and visit them over and over again. This seems to be the New Testament pattern for ministry.
- Someone has said that if you do not have time for me, do not evangelise me.

God bless you!

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