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## Uniquely Ugandan



What do you think? Is it about time to fix the road, since there is more of the dirt than actual tarmac?

### Prayer Requests

- Bible translation works in Runyankore and Lhukonzo
- Preaching point in Kyisanyarazi
- New church plant in Kajwenge
- New churches in Kyinyayobyo and Ribweryakona
- Mountain ministry
- Marcus, Kendra, and Kirsten in the US
- Faithfulness of those leading in the churches
- School Project

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We enjoyed another TBI (Tri-annual Bible Institute), this time with **35 men attending the week long course. We taught on the subject of The Pastor and Pastoring.** It is an in-depth study of what a pastor is, his call, his qualifications, and a lot of practical responsibilities.

There were two things that were a real blessing during this TBI. The first was that **the churches that came all brought food to help** feed everyone during the week. This was a first step in making this TBI sustainable when there is no outside help or support. The second was that we had seven teachers for the week. All of them were pastors, but the best part was that there were **six Ugandan pastors teaching.** These are pastors that we trained in our different ministries throughout the years and it was wonderful to see them now training and teaching other future pastors.

The middle of March we were able to have the **commissioning service for Happy Godwin as we are sending he and his family to go to Bwera to start a church.** Happy was discipled and trained in our Bible college. After graduating he assisted me in the church plant in Kyinyayobyo. The Lord gave him a burden to go to the border town of Bwera and start a church. There has been a lot of preparation and planning, but what a blessing it was to send him and his family out of the church here in Kasese to go and plant another one! Amen!

We also had our **first singles conference, with forty-four in attendance;** where our aim was to encourage and strengthen our singles as they navigate all the temptations and struggles in life. We called it the "Singles Summit," with the theme of reaching higher in our walk with the Lord and in our relationships. We had two guest speakers, Mumbere Joshua and Bwambale Robert, who were a great blessing to all the singles. We had teaching, application, games and good food!

We praise the Lord for **the completion of the construction work of the church building in Kyinyayobyo.** Our goal was to construct a permanent building and make sure it is safe from rain and sunshine. The finishing of the building (inside plastering, painting, benches, etc.) will be done on a reciprocal basis. As they now put some "skin into the game," we will assist and help them. This way they feel "ownership" of the building and it is not just the missionary's building. We are so grateful to the churches who gave so that this building could be constructed. To God be the glory!

Our **first time to meet in the new building was actually the church's second anniversary.** On that day we had two guest preachers and a delicious meal. After the service one man joined the church and three others got saved. Amen!

Marcus is doing well in Mississippi; working in town and serving in the church (choir, bus route). Kendra and Kirsten are on the summer break staying with my family in Ohio working together and serving in my brother's church. Kimberly is in her junior year of high school, starting Bible college here in Uganda, and teaching in the children's Sunday School. Praise the Lord for the faithfulness of each of our children! We are truly blessed!



35 men in the TBI



Happy and Naomi  
Traiphen and Timothy



44 at the Singles Summit



Finished construction of the  
church building in Kyinyayobyo

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