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## New churches planted - Muslims saved - spiritual fires continuing to burn

Since last writing in January we have had some **really** encouraging follow up visits to places where missions have recently been held:

#### **Bukuya - February (mission held last November)**

A new spirit of unity has filled the pastors as a result of our time there. Teams from many different churches are now going out together to preach the Gospel into other areas. One church alone now has no fewer than **twenty-four** people involved in this work of outreach. The follow up team had the great privilege of being used by God to free a witchdoctor (who come to faith in November's mission) from the demonic spirits that were still so badly affecting her. Hallelujah!



Thrilled to receive Bibles- Bukuya

#### **Kasokwe - March (mission held last September)**



Praying for sick- Kasokwe

September's mission produced wonderful fruit. Churches have continued doing door to door with **many new salvations** and people healed. One pastor has started a new prison ministry and eight prisoners were saved on her very first visit!

One pastor has **sixty - eight** new believers that she is teaching. Another has led **fifty eight** people to the Lord in a different area since we last visited. A new church has been started as a result. They are currently meeting under a tree - may God bless this wonderful pastor with funds to buy the land and help him with a building.

A Muslim man had come to the Lord together with <u>twelve</u> of his family including his <u>three</u> wives. May the Lord work out the family arrangements to His glory!

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### Kisoga – April (mission held last January)

The two teenagers who had been deaf from birth but healed by the Lord are continuing to learn to speak and have now started school. A real spirit of unity has fallen on the churches in the area. These churches are working together to preach the Gospel and many people are coming to faith.

# **Mbuyendi - our next mission 6<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> May**

Please note these dates in your diary

We have a real sense of expectancy concerning this next mission which Pastor Jane Wagaluka is going to be leading.

Mbuyendi is a really remote low - lying swampy area in Buyendi District, adjoining Lake Kyoga in Eastern Uganda. A real "back of beyond" place! Praise God, this is just the sort of location He takes us to. No fewer than seventy - six churches from a radius of twenty - five Pastor Jane Wagaluka miles are coming together to take part in this mission.



Most Busoga speaking people make their livelihood from subsistence farming and fishing.



Mbuyendi our next place of mission

Women walk very long distances to firewood for cooking. Medical facilities are virtually nonexistent.

Apart from widespread witchcraft, drunkenness is a major challenge. (Uganda has the highest rate of alcohol consumption in Africa). This is even more so in country areas like this where there is easy access to

"waragi" a cheap, potent local liquor made from bananas.

### **Women of Faith**

You may have noticed the increased role that female pastors are now playing in the work of evangelism. This is decidedly counter - cultural for Africa - not just Uganda! Releasing them into ministry really has been one of God's secret weapons! Pastor Jane above, for example, has been the primary instigator in bringing one hundred and ten pastors to work together as a direct result of catching the vision of Christians working together following our first mission to her village five years ago. Please remember in prayer these courageous women of faith who go the extra mile (and more) for their love of souls and face particular challenges as a result.

## Please join us in prayer for:

- **Weather**: Fine weather during the mission week which takes place in the middle of a rainy season
- **Travel:** The last sixty miles of the journey are over deeply potholed roads made even more difficult by the wet conditions of the season -to negotiate
- Addictions: For many to be set free from the addiction to alcohol
- **Unity**: For the continuation and expansion of unity between the pastors
- **Salvations**: Many souls to be saved (many also to be healed and delivered!)
- **Protection**: For the spiritual and physical protection both of the team and their families back home

There is nothing automatic about this work of grace; it continues because God is faithful and His people are pressing in in prayer and evangelism.

As you have seen, this letter is a real tribute and testimony to your faithfulness, love and support. May the Lord use these stories to inspire us to press in for greater things in the days ahead.



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