

# The Petersen Family in Uganda

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Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! In the last letter, I mentioned some ministry activities that I would expand upon in this newsletter.

Early in January, the first Tri-annual Bible Institute of 2018 was held at Masaka Independent Baptist Church. The teachers took the men from twelve different church plants through the book of 1 Corinthians. James Sebyoto, Pastor Charles, and Pastor Paul are joining the missionaries in teaching these classes, as well as the Bible college classes. They are all graduates and each one is involved in church planting efforts. It is exciting to see them take on these responsibilities.



Teen campers

Early on New Year's Day, I received a call saying that there was a group of thugs in Kisojo village who had killed at least four people and injured ten more. One person was killed right inside Kisojo trading center, just down the hill from where teen camp would be held January 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. That morning, I picked up where I had left off reading my Bible the night before. The first verses I read were Nehemiah 6:10-11, "...for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will they come to slay thee. 11 And I said, Should such a man as I flee?..." Somehow the Lord used that to give me courage and determination to continue with camp preparations in spite of the danger in the village.

We saw good things come from this situation. Charles met the Inspector General of Police as well as our new District Police Commander. He gave them scriptures and gifts from our church. We ended up having police guard the property during camp, which helped us deal with disturbances as we installed a key part of our fence to block unnecessary traffic. The Lord was good.



Teen camp 2018

It was such a blessing to see Bwambale Robert lead his neighbor, Everest, to Christ in November. Robert is a disciple of ours that I told you about in August of 2016. Late in January, Everest's wife, Justine, was at home alone when Lisa and I made a follow-up visit. She had been seeking for the way of salvation and, after a Bible study together, she trusted Christ as her Savior.



Robert at a tent meeting

Bwambale Robert came through some difficult times in his life through the counsel and help of James Kageye, a man on our soul winning team. I also helped him through discipleship, reading materials, and many conversations together. It is a tremendous encouragement to see him now working with Keith Stensaas traveling to village church plants to help with mentorship, soul winning, and other physical labor. Please continue to pray for him.

We appreciate your prayers and couldn't be here doing this without your support.

Because of Christ,

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