

# Uganda Unfolding

Educational Care in Uganda

## John 1:5

**“The Light Shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.”**



A belated wish for a blessed Christmas and that you will know God's continued presence with you as you begin a new Year!

Many times over the past two months I have felt a bit like the moon you can see faintly in this picture, only able to very dimly reflect the light.

I've certainly been living and working from a place of weakness rather than strength. Throughout a busy but very satisfying season of trainings in both Uganda and Kenya, I noticed a gradual deterioration of my health and energy; swelling of my feet, low

grade headaches, vague nausea, and extreme tiredness. I was eventually diagnosed with a high parasitic count of a bilharzia, coupled with complications with my thyroid. Eventually I sort of completely crashed.

To my shock and horror, when I went to Dr. Google to research the medication I was prescribed, I learned that the drug is commonly used to deworm dogs. The side effects of the drugs were awful. One night as I lay in bed, drifting in and out of sleep, and trying to keep the meds where they belonged, I actually had a sudden hallucinatory thought, “Had I actually gone to the right clinic?” Thankfully I fully awakened to reassure myself that indeed I had been diagnosed by a doctor, not a vet; a British doctor know for his expertise in bilharzia who also attends my church.

I have been touched by the calls and texts of encouragement and best wished from teachers I have trained, the workers from my current and previous homes in Uganda and family, friends and churches back home.

## Prayer & Praise

### PRAISE

- ◆ For opportunities to train in new places and in other places with familiar faces
- ◆ For safety both at home and as I have traveled
- ◆ For the words of prayer and care I received throughout this period of illness, particularly from my small community here in Uganda
- ◆ For a “new to me” vehicle coming to me soon!
- ◆ For opportunities to expand the scope of Educational Care

### PRAYER

- ◆ For renewal of strength and energy and a return to robust health
- ◆ That a time of vacation in February will bring refreshment to my body and spirit
- ◆ As I begin to plan for Home Service
- ◆ For Resonate's Global Prayer Safari in Ethiopia this February

At my lowest point, with so little to give, this gift came in the form of an email from one of our students.

Hi Madam Diana.

Am writing just to congratulate you and wish you a prosperous 2019.

Am Onsongo Gabriel, your Educational Care student, Dec. 2018.

You are one of the few personalities in 2018 who impacted my life. The lessons you led us through together with Madam Mwikali not only opened my view but also inspired me greatly.

Wish I had been taken through the same class earlier enough. My life would not have been the same. My services to humanity would have been greatest than it was before.

You enabled us define and identify worldviews. Reasons of having a Biblical worldview in our endeavours? How can we image God's attributes as educators?

For us to change the whole world we must start with the world within us. You challenged us to start making small but positive changes in our personal life and services if we want to change an inappropriate image to the best image.

You not only inspired us but also thought us how to do it. How to draw an Action Plan with a SMART goal and SMART activities. Infact it was my best lesson, it challenged me to also set SMART goals to achieve in life together with SMART activities to enable me achieve the life goals.

Your approach and method of teaching were WAAAHUUU! I liked the grouping technique which was enjoyable and interactive, one of a kind. It enabled us interact and socialize. I will imitate you. I borrowed a leaf from.

Thank you for your service to human. I thank God having provided me with the opportunity to learn from you and also giving you the opportunity and energy to inspire us despite having been unhealthy days before.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!!

Wish you a Prosperous 2019 and a holistic good healthy to serve others madam.

Isaiah 42: 1-4 speaks of the coming Emmanuel, the Christ with us, In whom God delights..."a bruised reed he will not break; and a dimly burning wick he will not quench." May you hold this gift near to you in 2019.



May God bless you as you continue to make my life and work in Eastern Africa possible. It is a joy and privilege, through the good and the bad, to serve in Uganda.

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