Equipping Servant Leaders

Upcoming Events

May — Final week of spring Rwanda trip.

Abigail (Reynolds) Smith's graduation from Lincoln Christian University.

Share Rwanda Challenge at Mount Pulaski (Illinois) Christian Church.

Summer 2015 — Share Rwanda Challenge with campers at Camp Pitt (Virginia).

Share Rwanda Challenge with the Horsepasture Christian Church, Ridgeway, VA and the Laurinburg Christian Church, Laurinburg, NC.

August 1 — Rebekah Reynolds and Ruben Del Rio to be wed in NH.

Fall 2015 — Tim Turner and Gene Andrews to join me in Rwanda.

Sept/Oct — Share Rwanda Challenge at the High Plains School of Missions 2015 in Oklahoma and Texas for two weeks.

Rwanda Challenge Team for April/May 2015

Theophile Rugubira -Rwanda Director RC Frank -U.S. Director RC Tower Munara -interpreter for Kiersten Stephen -interpreter for Frank and Spencer Charles Nkurunziza -driver Spencer DeLong -assisted in teaching for three different classes Kiersten DeLong - created pictures and video profiles for church leaders and future leaders



Prayer Requests (Phil. 1:9-11)

- Ask for wisdom and discernment for Rwanda Challenge
- Praise God for the teams God assembles for each RC trip
- Seek God for RC vision opportunities this summer and fall
- Praise God for an amazing beginning with the "Equip the Next Generation" group of potential church leaders from every province in Rwanda

April/May Trip

The April/May trip included four groups and eighty-seven students. The highlight for this trip has to be the "Equip the Next Generation" group of young Rwandans. Their excitement, commitment, and dreams for the future continue to stir deep emotions. This group was up early every day, in their seats fifteen to thirty minutes before class, and sharing their memory passage (Galatians 5:16 –26). It was a joy sharing with this group.

The first week was the "Equip a Church leader" group. This group consists of twenty-four church leaders from every province in Rwanda. RC has been teaching this group since June of 2011. In January they completed "A Study of Luke." Now they have begun Luke: volume two - "A Study of Acts." In reflecting on the growth of this group, my thoughts turn to the "Equip the Next Generation." If God allows us to continue to meet, where will this group be in five years? What a blessing to share with present and future church

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"Equip the Next Generation" Exceeds Expectations

In the March newsletter we announced the plan to begin a new group ("Equip the Next Generation") on the April/ May trip. Theophile asked church leaders to send a young person from their local church who exhibits great potential to be a leader in the Church in Rwanda.

It is with great excitement that I share RC completed the first week with this new group at the end of April. I had great expectations as we waited for the group to begin to arrive from all areas of Rwanda on Sunday afternoon, April 26th. Several appeared timid, but thankful. On Monday morning some of the group staying in the house began to arise about 5:30 AM and prepare themselves for breakfast (bread and chai) and their first morning of teaching. Some still seemed a little timid, but ready to begin. Soon others began to arrive from Kigali. The final student arrived on Tuesday morning.

We began the class on Monday morning with an introduction to our future journey together and the gift of a *Kinyarwanda Study Bible* for each student. Theophile always takes time in the first two days to introduce students to the *KSB*. Most church leaders in the world would be thrilled to have a Bible resource like the *KSB*. Our young students seem to be aware of the privilege and responsibility that comes with the gift. By Friday it was obvious: our expectations had been exceeded. These young Rwandan are very committed to grow in their understanding of God's Word and serve His Church in Rwanda and beyond.

2 Timothy 2:2 ...the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.



Jean D'Amour Teaches "ETNG" about Biblical Community

The Vision

The vision of Rwanda Challenge is local church leaders throughout Rwanda who have the capacity to lead the Rwandan Church and become missionaries to neighboring countries.

Theophile, Charles (driver mentioned in the March newsletter), and Frank. Charles is excited about finishing his first week with the ETNG



Financial Partnership Opportunities

If you desire to partner financially with Rwanda Challenge several opportunities are listed below or see www.rwandachallenge.com.

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Kinyarwanda Study Bible - \$20 each

"KSB"

• Equip a Church Leader - \$30 a month

"EACL"

• Equip the Next Generation - \$30 a month

"ETNG"

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