Equipping Servant Leaders

Upcoming Events

Aug/Sept 2014 trip — Frank and Theophile have already taught church leaders in three locations and assisted two teams from Manchester Christian Church who worked in Kibuye and taught in the Kiziba Refugee Camp. Beginning September 1, Frank and Theophile will teach in four more locations in the South Province and two in Kigali.

November 13-16 — International Conference on Missions, Columbus, Ohio

End of November — We are expecting the birth of our sixth grandchild (Nathan and Kira)

January 2015 — Back to Rwanda

Spring 2015 — Back to Rwanda

Summer 2015 — We are planning our fifth wedding (Rebekah and Ruben)

MCC Team Teaches Women in the Congolese Refugee Camp

Theophile and I accompanied two teams from Manchester Christian Church to Kibuye, Western Province. One team worked in the hospital and the other taught women leaders in the Kiziba Refugee Camp. The MCC women taught some great lessons of encouragement as they shared about Esther, Hannah, Priscilla and Aquila. There was something special in that room as these sisters in Christ crossed significant cultural and social barriers to simply love each other in Jesus' name. I'm not sure, but maybe the MCC women were the ones most encouraged as they experienced the love, courage, and appreciation of these refugees waiting for a "new home."



Congolese Refugees representing twenty churches in the Kiziba Camp. Some of these women have been refugees for over twenty years.

Michelle and Whitney take their turn teaching.

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The Vision

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envisions local church leaders throughout Rwanda who have the capacity to lead the Rwandan Church and become missionaries to neighboring countries.



Church leaders hard at work using their Bibles, the KSB study notes, and the Africa Bible Commentary

Prayer Requests (Phil. 1:9-11)

- Ask for wisdom and discernment for Rwanda Challenge
- Praise God for providing special gifts to equip church leaders in Rwanda
- Seek God for Theophile and Frank as they teach six more groups of church leaders in the South Province and Kigali in September
- Praise God for the growth demonstrated by the twenty-three church leaders that make up the "Equip a Church Leader" group

"Equip a Church Leader" Group

Theophile and I began my first week in Rwanda with the "Equip a Church Leader" group (visit www.rwandachallenge.com/equip-a-churchleader) in Kimironko (Kigali). We study with this group every time I am in Rwanda. We completed Genesis last year and started Luke in 2014. The group studied up to the end of chapter eleven on this trip. It was obvious this time that the church leaders went beyond individual stories and began to comprehend a larger purpose in Luke, especially the discipleship process with the Apostles.

My first experience studying with these church leaders was in February 2011. Their growth in three and a half years was obvious on this trip. Their questions are deeper and their comprehension is quicker. They are very competent leaders if someone will just teach them. I am reminded of Gerard's words in June 2011. He said, "I can teach if I know the material." Yes you can, Gerard.

Many Needs Met

- Churches, groups and individuals continue to respond to the need for *Kinyarwanda Study Bibles*. 100 Bibles have been purchased on this trip.
 www.rwandachallenge.com/kinyarwanda-study-bible
- A new Lenovo laptop was purchased for Theophile, Rwanda Director of Rwanda Challenge. It is important that he has good tools as he serves in this role. I am thankful for the generosity of the couple who responded to this need.
- An individual provided the funds to purchase a Canon video camera and accessories for the purpose of recording teaching sessions provided by Rwanda Challenge.
- Funds have been provided to produce a quality walkable map of the Mediterranean Basin for use in teaching the church leaders.

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