## **Equipping Servant Leaders**

**Upcoming Events** 

September 10 — Return home from Rwanda

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

October 29 - November 1- International Conference on Missions in Richmond, VA

January 2016 — Back to Rwanda



### Prayer Requests (Phil. 1:9-11)

- Ask for wisdom and discernment for Rwanda Challenge
- Praise God for the blessing of coteachers like Tim Turner and Gene Andrews
- Seek God for the financial resources to add one more teaching trip to Rwanda each year
- Seek God for the fall travels and the January trip to Rwanda

## An August 1st Wedding

Rebekah Reynolds and Ruben Del Rio were married in Keene, NH on August 1st. Yes, the entire family was able to be present for the special occasion. Some of Ruben's family also traveled from Spain to join the celebration.

The next week Myra and I traveled with the newly-weds to Spain for a blessing and celebration of the marriage with Ruben's family and friends. After one week I flew to Rwanda while Myra remained in Spain for one more week.

Ruben and Rebekah will begin their married life in northern Spain near Bilbao. Because of the lack of Christians in Spain (some estimate less than one per cent) they are viewing this time as a Great Commission decision.

# **Rwanda Challenge 2015**

### Co-workers in the Kingdom

Over the last three weeks it has been a blessing to have Tim Turner and Gene Andrews to share in the teaching of Rwandan church leaders. Tim and I both arrived in Rwanda on August 13. The next week Tim taught "Nehemiah: A Study in Leadership." Tim left and Gene arrived on the 21st. Gene and I taught the "Equip a Church Leader" group Acts 3-8 for one week. This week we are studying the Sermon on the Mount with the "Equip the Next Generation" group.

#### "Battle of Two Kingdoms"

"The Father... has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins." Colossians 1:13-14

Yes, we have been rescued, but the battle continues. Paul says, "we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6:12

#### 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.

"Equip the Next Generation" begins the study of the Sermon on the Mount with song and dance



We are in a battle between light and darkness. I am reminded of the battle when a Rwandan church leader and his wife separate. What an encouragement when young students gather  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  hours before class for worship, prayer, and exhortation. It brings great concern to discover an organization in Rwanda promoting the homosexual agenda among church leaders in Rwanda. If these church leaders do not know their Bibles, the prince of darkness has an advantage.



Four-week old church plant in Rweru Batima, south of Nyamata

Two new church plants experience great victories (one baptizes over forty individuals in one day. A friend in Rwanda steals gas from the vehicle. One church leader teaches twelve church leaders who are teaching others (2 Timothy 2:2).

We are in a battle between the Kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness. Our victory in this battle is sure in Christ Jesus, but for now the battle rages. Your prayers are vital to Rwandan church leaders. Your financial support helps Rwanda Challenge clothe Rwandan church leaders with the full armor of God.

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