Rwanda Challenge 2018

Upcoming Events

August/September — Rwanda with Gene Andrews December — Share Rwanda Challenge in Virginia January — Rwanda with Scott McClimans

Update on Strategy to Reopen Churches

(See July newsletter for strategy)

Phase One - Three of the five churches selected have been reopened. These three churches provided \$2,700 and U.S. churches provided \$3,600. While these churches have reopened, they still have more to improve to meet all the government requirements. Two of the Phase One churches need to make additional improvements before they can reopen. These two churches are providing \$2,650 toward the effort. We still need \$2,200 from US churches to complete Phase One.

Phase Two — The five churches in Phase One are committed to helping five more churches reopen in Phase Two. In this phase, \$7,400 is needed from U.S. churches.

August/September Trip

Gene Andrews and Frank

Taught two lessons (five days) with church leaders in Kibuye (Western Province)

Finished "A Study of Galatians" with the "Equip a Church Leader" group in Kimironko (Kigali)

Began "A Study of 1 and 2 Thessalonians" with the "Equip a Church Leader" group in Kimironko (Kigali)

Frank

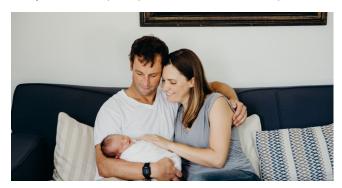
Continued "A Study of Luke" with the "Equip the Next Generation" group in Kimironko (Kigali)

Grandchild Number Nine

Myra and I are filled with joy with each new grandchild. And now we have nine. Levi Thomas Curran was born on July 29.

Since the entire family was planning to be home in early August for this birth, they planned a 70th birthday celebration in advance of my November 25th birthday.

These events (birth of Levi, my birthday celebration, time with family, extended family, and friends) were truly a special season for Myra and I that will always be remembered with joy.



Proud parents, Jim and Leah, with Levi Thomas Curran



Papa and Levi having a little conversation

2018 Highlights

January — Taught four groups of church leaders in Rwanda including web-based teaching (VA to Kigali)

March — Shared RC with churches in VA/NC

April/May — Taught in Israel and Rwanda

The Vision

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

Vehicle Upgrade

Rwanda Challenge has an updated vehicle. We sold the 1997 vehicle and purchased a 2007 Toyota Land Cruiser. Please thank God for this ministry tool that we expect to provide many years of safe and reliable transportation.



Frank's Health

Doctors are pursuing multiple questions concerning my health. Earlier this year I had a Calcium Score test which resulted in a high calcium number and an incidental finding of a small nodule on the lower lobe of my right lung. Next was a CT scan and an echo stress test. The CT Scan showed a possible infection and two nodules in my left lung, a gallstone, and a possible cyst on my liver. The stress test was mostly positive, but there was a slight abnormality in the echocardiogram. I think that is everything.

As I understand these at this point, most of these concerns might be minor issues, but the doctors are not certain at this point, resulting in future test when I return to the US. Please pray for the wisdom and discernment of the medical team involved. My main request is for more years of ministry (10 to 15) through natural or miraculous healing or medical issues I can live with (see Galatians 4:13-15).

Prayer Requests (Phil. 1:9-11)

- Ask for wisdom and discernment in equipping Rwandan church leaders
- Seek God as we partner with Rwandan Church leaders to reopen churches
- Thank God for family and seek Him for my health

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