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# Sinclair Stirrings

“...your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action.” 2 Corinthians 9:2

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## Happy New Year!

I love New Year's Day. Not so much for the parades, or bowl games, or holiday festivities. I love New Year's Day, because it is a wonderful time to reflect on God's past faithfulness and anticipate God's future blessing. New Year's reminds me of the Lord's promise in Revelation 21, "Behold, I am making all things new." Those words bring great comfort in a world where the most powerful nation on earth celebrates its own perversity while global terrorism mocks the ideals of liberty and justice. Be at peace, child of God; the madness will not endure. Our God is making all things new. That's why we can exclaim without reservation, "Happy New Year!"



## Family Update

We were blessed to have our whole family together for the Christmas holiday. Tim is a private client banker for Chase Bank in Tucson, Arizona. He attends a church plant in that city and is actively involved in ministry. Celeste lives only a few minutes away from us in Uganda. She teaches middle and high school math and science at Heritage International School in Kampala.



## New City Church News

For more than two years, Bruce led the pastoral team at New City Church. The goal was to see one of the three Ugandan men on that team ordained and installed as our new pastor. That dream became a reality as Pastor Rodgers was installed in November.



We look forward to his having a long and fruitful ministry. Rodgers also serves as the Uganda director of the African Center for Apologetics Research ([www.acfar.org](http://www.acfar.org)). The other members of the pastoral team are also heavily involved in ministry. Daniel looks forward to launching a church plant in an area south of town known as Seguku. Eric serves as registrar at Westminster Theological Seminary in Uganda.

## New Ministry Focus

The biggest change for us on the field in recent months happened in October. Bruce stepped down as leader of the MTW Kampala team in order to form a new team, the East Africa Ministerial Training Team. This new team concentrates on establishing churches and equipping leaders in Uganda and the surrounding nations using both traditional and non-traditional approaches. The change has allowed us to focus on the areas that are of greatest interest to us while leaving to others such important ministries as community development and business coaching. Please pray that God will bless and "establish the work of our hands."

## Guest Teachers

Visiting lecturers play an important role in training church leaders in Africa – especially the ones whose ministries or life situations will not allow them to leave home for two or three years of formal education. Recently, we were blessed to have

MTW colleague, Jeff Borden. He taught classes in study centers that have been established by our former students. Retired missionary, Stan Armes, also visited Uganda recently. He taught a marriage seminar in a South Sudanese refugee camp.



### **Looking Ahead**

2016 looks to be another busy year with many exciting opportunities. Bruce teaches a seminary module in late January. The regular semester begins in February. Pam is scheduled to teach Advanced Reading, Women in Ministry, and Speech and Communication. Bruce's class lineup at WCIU includes Genesis and Exodus - Deuteronomy. At ABU he will have the Gospel of John class with the first year students along with two post-graduate courses: Genesis and John. We also anticipate the launch of a new church plant in the next few months. We very much appreciate your remembering us in your prayers.

### **Praise the Lord ...**

- For bringing Pastor Rodgers to New City Church!
- For strategically placing us where we can take advantage of numerous ministry opportunities. Pam is particularly excited about mentoring women on the campus of African Bible University. Eunice (pictured left) is a promising candidate.
- For sharpening our ministry focus so that we are no longer side-tracked with various administrative concerns.

- For providing for all our physical, emotional, financial, and spiritual needs, so that we may serve Him in Uganda.

***Thank you for your prayers, support, and encouragement!***



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### **Pray ...**

- That the God of Grace and Power would make us fruitful in our upcoming ministry commitments such as...
  - Bruce's master's module at Westminster Theological Seminary in Uganda later this month.
  - The upcoming semester classes at African Bible University and Westminster Christian Institute Uganda.
  - Mentoring of church planters. Pray especially that God would calm the political situation in Burundi in order to facilitate the expansion of His Kingdom in that small nation.
  - Our ongoing ministry at New City Church, including Bruce's consulting work with the leaders.
- That the only wise God would guide us as we make decisions regarding ministry priorities, including which invitations to accept.
- That Jehovah Jireh will provide a new meeting place for the growing needs of New City Community Church.
- That the Lord of the Harvest will send out more laborers into His Harvest field and that He will provide scholarships for the training of these workers.
- That the Lord who sanctifies by the truth of His Word will change our lives and the lives of those to whom we minister.