

EMAW Testimonials

EMAW Developing Leaders in Uganda Wayne Craig



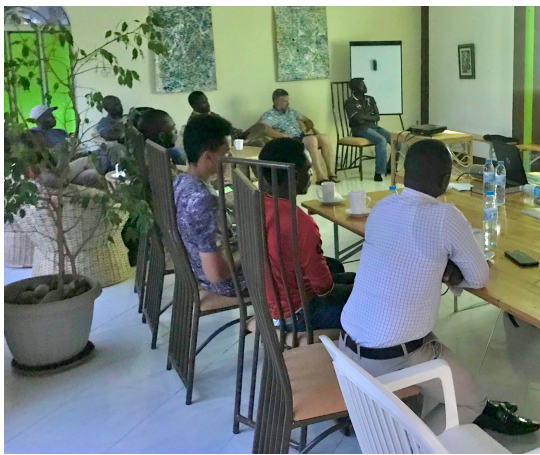
I thought I would send a report on how the trip went and all the things God was doing in Uganda. Just in case I forget, I was asked about translating the books into 2 different languages. The first translation would be the most common language for Uganda which is Luganda and then there were discussions about a language more common in the NW & NE areas of Uganda. Most Ugandans, especially in the major cities, can speak and read their native tribal language, Luganda, and English. But when you go north, most can speak English but not read it. So that is reason for the need to translate to Luganda, we have pastors in the Kobwin\Sorote area's that can't read English. I do have a couple men in mind that we can trust to translate and then several other men to test and proofread. Let me know what you think, I know you have men in several countries doing this already.

God is raising up men (generals) in Uganda to take EMAW and disciple other men. I'm so excited to see what God does in Uganda over the next 12 months. It's been so fun and humbling to watch seed's get planted, come home to America and then sit on the sidelines watching God work in the men. I have detailed report below of the time and work done in all of the location's, plus some notes for work starting to be planned for the next return trip. When I left, I thought maybe I would be returning in the fall, but that trip may not materialize, we will see what happens over the next 3-4 months. As of right now I'm planning on a return trip next January, and I have already identified a couple new cities to go to and launch groups, this of course started by a simple conversation of, "I know a pastor or I have a friend in Jinga (or name a place) who would love to meet and start groups", these were conversation between me and a man God placed in my path while traveling around.

I'll finish with this thought. I started dreaming a little on my 34hr flight back. I have the connections with probably one of the most beautiful locations in Uganda called Musana Camps, I'm good friends with the man who built it and runs it. My dream was a men's conference in 2022 "Men of Africa" with 200-300 men from Uganda, Kenya, and Rwanda (I have a contact in Rwanda, this might be a stop next year), a weekend of music (I have the commitment of a Uganda Christian recording artist), testimonies, keynote speakers, teaching, and men from Africa celebrating the work they are doing in their communities and villages. Thinking about it brings a big smile on my face, if this becomes reality, I sure hope you men could be a part of it. I love Uganda and the people of Uganda and would love to share them with you guys one day, God willing.

As you will see below, having Moses in Kampala handling books, will be a major blessing from God and the timing of the first shipment of books could only have been orchestrated by God. Moses said 300 books were on their way to him from Kenya, I was jumping with joy when he told me this, knowing the 150 pounds of books I brought would not be enough for all the new groups. Again, I got to witness God's plan in action before I even showed up, God in His sovereignty was orchestrating and planning for the needs of the men even before they knew what this EMAW thing was all about. When I traveled to Uganda, I was hoping for 6-7 new EMAW groups, I would be surprised by this fall to get a report of 10-12 groups started.

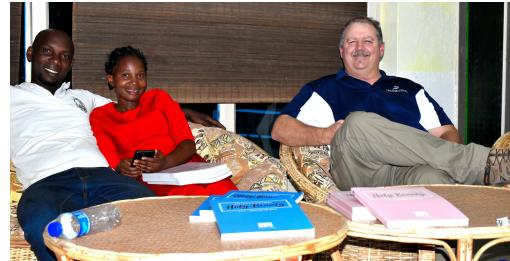
Below are pics and information from each location.



1st Group on Saturday Eve w/Pastor Tuggy



2nd Group on Sunday Eve – all close friends



Hassan Mwanji and his wife w/Wayne

Kampala:

Kampala was my first stop. The original plan was to spend Saturday 3PM to 7PM and then Sunday 2PM to 7PM with a group of men interested in EMAW. I had planned speaking topics for several things including living a life of purity (with help from Bob Reehm) and a few other things, thinking I had 1 group of men for 2 days. As usual with most of my trips to Uganda God has other plans, I soon realized (minutes before the men showed up) that I would have 2 groups of men to speak to, one Saturday and another group on Sunday. In the end it worked great because I just allowed God to take over the weekend and not let it bother me, it was great. The first group was from a local church, the pastor and a group of men he identified as key leaders, which was perfect, most of these men could go and lead groups tomorrow, they were solid men. The second group was a group of young men who knew each other and grew up together and some were involved with other ministries. The testimonies of these men was so good, coming from a Muslim family, one of the men's father was a witch doctor but his mom was now saved, another whose wife demanded he quit drinking and fighting, to others being raised without fathers and they wanted to learn how to be Godly men.

I'm anticipating 3-4 groups starting this year from these men, maybe even as high as 6. It depends on the pastor, I tried to explain to him the importance of starting slow and training a group of men to go out and start groups after they had been disciplined but he talked about 3 or 4 men who were spiritually mature enough to start groups so we will see what happens.

I met with and gave books to a young lady to start an CHB group. I'm prayerful that CHB groups will be launched in 4 different locations.

This is Sam, he is a regional African coordinator for M.A.F. (Mission Aviation Fellowship). Before this he ran a very large hospital in Mbale. I'm really excited about Sam, he is a "General", spiritually and financially mature. He will be launching a group as soon as he has books. He travels to the US every 2-3 months for M.A.F. meetings and is a MAF coordinator for Samaritans Purse when they work together for natural disasters. He was stationed in Northern Florida a few years back for the hurricane that hit there.



EMAW Leaders of Mbale

Musana Camps:

This was an informal stop. I personally know the man that built this ministry from the ground up. It's located in a very remote location on the banks of Lake Victoria and is one of the most beautiful locations in all of Uganda. This is where I hope to one day have a "Men of Africa" men's conference. Syd has identified key leaders in the Musana Camps organization who he wants to be part of the first group. These men will then go out into the local villages and surrounding area's to disciple others. On a side note, I believe EMAW is exactly what the leadership of Musana camps needs to help the men draw closer together and do something together outside of work, I think it will be very healthy for them.

Kobwin Childrens Center - New Hope Uganda:

I did not launch\meet with men at this location for EMAW. This will be a future site to consider, the challenge is that most of the men in this part of Uganda may speak some broken English, but a lot of them do not read English even if they can speak it. We will be working with the leaders from I4GT and PTI in the future regarding translation of EMAW into Luganda for teaching men in this part of Uganda.

Kasana Childrens Center, I4GT (Institute For Gospel Training), PTI (Pastoral Training Institute) :

This was my final stop and final set of meetings with men. I had scheduled only one evening but because of the deep conversations and convictions of the men at these locations it was important to meet again the following evening. The enthusiasm and desire to go fast with many EMAW groups was very strong and while it was exciting to see, one of the key leaders recognized they should start with 2 main group of leaders and then launch them after they have at least completed book #2. I suggested to them if they thought they had the time to finish book 3 and lead a group in book 1 at the same time that is possible, but they needed to make sure to have the available time. To say the least the "generals" were excited about taking this to the area's around Kiwoko, Kasana, Kabubu and start leading men.

The leadership for I4GT and PTI want to test it with the men from Kasana site before integrating it into their teaching curriculum. They have a biblical man and womanhood training program and are very excited to make this part of their training.

Kampala - Moses connection:

Meeting and getting to know Moses was a pleasant and unexpected surprise. I was so joyful that the Lord has raised up a man like Moses and he shared how he met Lonnie in Colorado during a Navigators Convention. He will be a great asset to have in Uganda (boots on the ground) and the work he has already done with EMAW in Kampala is so awesome. He will be a great contact to have for the men I have already started, for them to reach out for direction and maybe a little discipleship. Whenever we can remove the white man and have the Ugandan men take charge of their destiny by working together for the kingdom, the better. I'm super excited to have Moses in our corner and look forward to seeing what God has planned for him.

Future Planning:

We have already identified future cities and locations to begin coordinating potential conference\training sessions to launch new groups in. I believe additional meetings in Kampala (because it's so big), Jinja, Rwanda, possibly southern Congo, possibly a few day's in Ghana, and some other smaller towns in Uganda. These are all preliminary early conversations, a lot more discussions and plans are needed for the next trip. I hope to have more information in the months to

come. I will also reach out to David in Kenya to share with him all of the work started in Uganda, I pray his team is doing well also.

In conclusion many, many seeds have been planted and I can only imagine the impact we will begin to see in a few years. I can't wait to see the fruit that will come from the work done to date. Please pray that the seeds cast out land on fertile ground so this may be the start of generations of men to come that will benefit from the work God is doing in Uganda.

Thanks again for all of your support, prayers, and the help of making this kingdom work possible.

IN CHRIST ALONE

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James 1:27