



Uganda Mission Project Update



GOD BLESSED YOUR DONATION, AND THE WORK IS GROWING

The moment Rebecca told me that Pr. Ric and his team at AWA had accepted me as one of the missionaries, the burden of expectations for the Uganda project appeared too big to handle, and the vision for the future mission was unclear. This created much anxiety until the scripture of 1 Pet. 5:7, Prov. 16:3 and Psa. 55:22 came into mind, and everything was left to God to guide the assignment for each day. As events have unfolded over the years, I believe God has always sent John, a forerunner, ahead to prepare a road for the gospel mission.

Signs that God is leading began with acquiring the basic tools to use and the human resources to guide and provide what is needed each time a need arises. For example, I had planned to take a leave and go to a difficult-to-access place for house-to-house evangelism, ultimately building a place for believers with support from AWA. To our surprise, Prof. Israel Kafeero, the vice chancellor of Bugema University, asked AWA to assist in building the international students' Sabbath school into a center of influence and also provided the University with land for the airfield and offices for AWA. I began to see God directing me in the unknown.

The next challenge was getting an AWA missionary from the head office in the US to come to Uganda for a fact-finding mission

and partnership. It was such a mountain, but Pr. Deyvid Batista and Mary flew in, and we had a busy but good, successful time. Meeting with the university council members was a challenge. Still, Prof. Israel made it happen, and the council members bought into the idea of partnership, providing guidance on how it should be implemented. The land was offered for both the center of influence and the AWA office.

The Uganda ADRA director's acceptance of the partnership with Bugema University and AWA was achieved wonderfully, to the extent that even the Uganda Union Mission President, Pr. Doc. Maka Moses, now the current ECD secretary, attended the meeting and welcomed the partnership, providing guidance on what should be done. All this unfolded in awe because there was no prior knowledge of how it would all happen in one short visit. It indicated God had blessed the donation and its givers way ahead of us.

When it came time to draw the plan for the center of influence. The initial drafts were created by church members who had some architectural knowledge. Later on, we hired an architect, a pastor's son, who not only drew up the plan but also contributed some funds to the same task. AWA also gave in over