

## October Newsletter

*So, Eugene, you seem to have been rather busy running around last month, can you tell us where and why?*



*It has been the rainy season recently and this is how dramatic the skies looked*

Not sure I would call it a lot but I would say it has been quite a bit over the last few months. I have been going to Masindi, Hoima, Palisa and Iganga.

I'll start with Masindi.

Masindi is located about 3 hours northwest of Kampala and is quite a calm town. It is in the general rift valley area and as such most of the talk out there is about the oil that was discovered and what its impact is going to be to the locals and the town.

Going to Masindi was under the invitation of Ronny, a twenty something young man who is the coordinator of a group of vibrant young people who refer to themselves as Echoes of Glory.

Echoes of Glory brings together about 40 young people who travel a round the diocese holding praise rallies, preaching in schools and running youth conferences. It was to one such conference I was invited to give a talk on discipleship and its various facets.

After the talk, they pointed out that the manual I was using could be of help to them (the YEA Training Manual) and so, we have a plan to go back and train them on how to use the manual effectively, I am psyched up for those sessions.

I feel Echoes of Glory is well placed to have a far-reaching impact because of their location and knowledge of the diocese. As such, we will offer

them as much support in carrying out this mission as we possibly can. Right now their main need would be effective training.

I have also been to Palisa, a relatively new location for us to work in. I had dropped by to do a small evaluation of the work that Richard had been carrying out with the Palisa First Baptist Church. I met up with Yokalam, Jeremy and Edward - Three of the class that Richard had been training in effective evangelism of young people.



*Yokalam, Jeremy and Edward. Some of the Palisa First Baptist Church youth leaders*

They kept pointing out about how their eyes were opened to the opportunities around them! It was exciting to listen to their stories, it almost seemed like a new fire had been lit up in them. They also can't wait to pass on what they have been learning to other youth leaders. We just might see an interesting revolution in how church is done in Palisa soon.

Palisa's main need at the moment is information as well as practical way to pass on this information. However, there is a great need for the church leaders to get on board with this revolution. Also carrying out the work is costly, especially because of the distance and the financial stand of the people in the area.

### ***Prayer Points***

- My Gran Mother is feeling slightly better but still not in good health. Thank you for you're prayers. This has also taken a heavy financial toll on my family, but we are thankful for God's continued provision.
- Nathan came back from Northern Uganda ok.
- Collin and Ian are away facilitating a KIC children's camp and I'll be joining Ian to facilitate the older youth camp.