



*These past months have opened my eyes to the endless ripple effect of this work;
the more lives we touch, the more lives they will touch and on and on and on.*
Winnie

We recently met for our local board meeting in Kampala. It was a really good, forward-looking meeting and we were glad to have Mr Lazarus at the meeting after such a long time. The discussion covered many topics; some of which you may be familiar with. One of the key points was our need to focus very specifically on discipling those who disciple/mentor young people and to continue to do this in a very interactive, discussion based, workshop style. This has always been a central part of our work and the board made 2 important comments on this:

- It is our strength. It is what we are good at and known for.
- We need to focus on our strength and not over stretch ourselves.

Collin pointed out also that there is huge value in the Youthworx training in the more distant and remote areas that we work in. Our work in Karamoja, Kisoro, Arua and Soroti regions (all of which are far away from Kampala) are the areas we are seeing most fruit and growth in the work we do and where we sense it is valued and appreciated most.

During the course of the month, we received a report from Raymond in Karamoja which showed that in the last 2 years that the Youth Department of Karamoja Diocese has worked in partnership with Youth Worx, East Africa, it has touched the lives of the young people. Through the workshops, the young leaders were equipped to serve their churches and communities more relevantly and efficiently, both spiritually and physically (Holistically). They were very grateful for the fact that Youth Works East Africa has not only partnered with Karamoja Diocese by sending Mr. Collin Muwonge to help in facilitating at the Training Workshops, but has also offered financial support.

Due to the trainings, several young leaders are more energized and inspired to play their role. However, it is clearly just the beginning of something even bigger and still needs continued investment in terms of capacity building and where possible financial support.

Since the Vision of Karamoja Diocese Youth Department is to see "Holistically Empowered Youth, Able to Sustain themselves Spiritually and Physically", the partnership with Youth Worx East Africa is on the right course, and they pray and hope that it only grows even to the level of Karimojong young people being involved in supporting Collin and the Youthworx East Africa team in whatever God is doing in greater Kampala and beyond.

As Youthworx, East Africa, we are grateful for the generous gift from Teignmouth Baptist church towards bibles. These bibles will be very useful to a good number of upcountry youth who do not have a bible of their own.

We are continuing to see the Lord do great work through different youth upcountry and we are more than honored to be tools that he has used and continues to use for his work.

Winnie

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MAP OF UGANDA SHOWING KARAMOJA REGION



After a 15 Minute discussion, the young people then break into groups // Soroti



Anywhere where there is shade is game // Soroti

PRAYER POINTS

By the time you are reading this, Chris and Leo, our volunteers from Bognor Regis, will be in Kisoro down in the far South West corner of Uganda. Here they will be working with the baptist youth department for 10 days before heading up to Hoima to work with the diocese youth department. Please pray for their health, safety, fun and that God will challenge and stretch them during their time in Uganda.

The situation in Burundi is still very insecure. the latest news is that the presidential election has been delayed until 30th July. Giscard and Chanelle (YEA partner) managed to get out and are currently sheltering with friends in Kigali. They report that the situation is still very unstable, food is short and there are many rumors circulating of civil war. Please pray for peace to prevail.

Politics are beginning to heat up here in Uganda as we prepare for presidential elections next February. Please start to pray ahead of time that this process will be peaceful, fair and democratic.

I am happy to report that bookings are coming in for my safari van so I do have some income. Please continue to pray that the right flexible, fulfilling and paying work comes in alongside this so that i can put more time into
YEA.

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As we evaluate and plan for the next 6 months, please pray with us that the process goes on smoothly.

Collin

For health and financial stability as we begin to build our lives together.

Winnie and Eugene