

## **PROCLAMATION TASK**

Quarterly Ministry Report July-Sept 2010

This quarter was marked by construction, some travel and a focus on local church ministry (Berea). Other involvements included sporadic preaching and teaching engagements, counseling, and peripheral support to co-workers. The ministry planning during the later part of this quarter had a cloud of uncertainty over whether Julius' anticipated Doctor of Missiology program would take off.

### **PT Center Construction**

The construction work at the PT center progressed into this quarter in the brick-laying exercise till about mid July when resources were depleted. We are currently on halt until more funds become available. We do not know when funds can be available but we are praying and trusting God who set up this work, that he will in his time complete it. Please give thanks to God for the progress on the PT Center (classroom) construction and pray for a fresh provision so that we can complete this building.

### **PT/Berea Office Construction**

During this quarter, the urgency for a place to work from has kept us quite focused on attempts to making the structure of the PT / Berea Office habitable. We are so thankful to God that he made some funds available which helped us do the roofing. And recently, more funds were provided which have now put shutters in place and laid the necessary structure for electrical conduits. Even in its incomplete state, this structure will be in use beginning with November 2010.

It will be such a great relief for the five of us (Berea church and PT staff) to be able to work from our desks once again, pray together at the break of each day for the ministry, plan and implement Kingdom work as staff assigned to do just that. Join us in giving thanks to God for his provision. In this aspect, God has especially employed the willing channel of his servants at Intown Presbyterian, Portland Oregon (<http://www.intownchurch.com/>) to stand with us in enhancing PT ministry, home projects and the PT/Berea office. /join us to give thanks for their effort.

### **Growing the Berea Ministry**

As home to PT work and as a model for the PT philosophy and ministry practice, it is important that Berea Church gains the right growth pace and the appropriate impact in the community. At Berea we have in the last quarter taught about prayer intensified prayer meetings, urging people to view this spiritual discipline as foundation, force, and fabric of all life in Christ and any ministry handled in his name. Giving attention to people group ministry, we have also established a men's ministry known as "Ironmen's Fellowship" (based in Proverbs 17:27) to help develop godly men for strong leadership in homes, at church and in society. As we come to the end of the year, we are planning evangelistic activities that cut across all people-groups (children, youth, women, men and married couples) to create forums for sharing the Gospel with yet unbelieving individuals and families.

[http://www.proctask.org/PT\\_model\\_church.html](http://www.proctask.org/PT_model_church.html)

### **Meeting with PT Partners (APF):**

In the course of their ministry in Uganda, Ralph and Jane Hanger together with Ian Enticott of the African Pastors Fellowship made a follow up visit for fellowship and ministry discussion with us. The Hangers have directed the work of APF for several years now. They will soon be retiring from that role, handing over to Ian to carry it forward. So, Ralph and Jane whom we have known for 11 years had the opportunity to introduce us to Ian Enticott, the incoming APF Director, and us to him. APF has supported the work of PT in a training partnership and often financially. With a good and long experience of serving the church in eastern Africa, Ralph and Jane have been instrumental in augmenting the endeavors of PT. This British couple actually met as students at a university in Uganda, so Africa remains their second home. It has been wonderful serving with them and drawing the needed encouragement from them. <http://www.africanpastors.org/>

**Richard & Gail Digby Visit:** Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

The Digbys came from South Sheffield Evangelical Church in UK, from where great support has come to us in the current effort of putting up the PT Center. In representing our partners in Sheffield, the Digbys were able to have a feel of our ministry context – the common challenges, the great opportunities (especially the receptivity to the Gospel), and the needs that face us. They returned to UK safely and we have been in touch since then. Having hosted the Urquharts sometime back, and Josh Dupuis two months before the Digbys, we have hope that more among our partners will continue to visit us mainly from regions of USA, UK, Canada and Kenya where the PT ministry has a pronounced presence in hearts of people.

**Kisoro Training:** Sept 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>

The short training in Kisoro was meant to refresh the leaders on some of the issues that the region faces and to follow up on the progress of the upcoming Bible School at Rutare. We made the 520 km-Kampala-Kisoro with the Digbys, Grace, and Abigail (our daughter). Apart from me, it was the first time the rest on the team ever got to these cold volcanic mountains of south-western Uganda. Grace and Gail handled ministry among pastors' wives while Richard and I kept among the ministering men. We were so encouraged to see the construction progress on this regions Center for Biblical Ministry (CBM) at Rutare. They are now at the roofing phase, and in need of funds to buy the roofing sheets. Please pray with us for God's provision on this, so that the 25 trainees now in the program can have a place to study from.

**Other Ministry Involvements**

Opportunities to teach and preach continue to come up as we extend the ministry to others in various contexts. In the month of July, we were involved in teaching at one of the seminars of Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF). In August (17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>) we had an opportunity to teach in the annual missions conference at Entebbe Pentecostal Church (EPC <http://www.epc.or.ug/>) as I have done for the last three years. This annual event was born out of UEMA's efforts to recruit, train and send missionaries near and far. EPC has sustained deep interest to train and deploy Christian workers, currently supporting several individuals in the mission field. Pray for us that as we keep abreast in these "peripheral" engagements, our efforts may enhance respective ministries in ways that fully utilize what God has endowed in us.

**Further Training for Julius**

The initial thrust to set out for further training (Fall 2010) did not come to pass as earlier planned and desired due to insufficient welfare support. But with full tuition for the Doctor of Missiology program still available, our hopes remain alive that at the right time (2011, God willing) I will be able enroll and utilize this opportunity. As we prepare ground for formal training in PT, this training prospect will come in handy as the necessary upgrade for me as one of PT instructors. Join us in prayer over this issue, that in addition to God fully opening the door by providing, he may also organize us well enough to keep the ministry going strong with a committed workforce while I give attention to studies.

**The Work of PT-USA Board**

We thank God for the unrelenting, supportive work of this team. These faithful servants support PT and coordinate other partners in fulfilling their God-assigned part in standing with us to advance ministry. The board exists to support PT Uganda through prayer, advocacy, mutual encouragement and accountability. Just so that you can pray for these workers by name, they are: Larry & Sally Gentry, Katie Baldwin, Bill & Joan Burdick, Chris & Andrea Lum and Mark & Karen Hedinger. They serve PT in a favorable context of IICC/Worldview, our main ministry partner in USA.

*Thank you for standing with us*