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## The UBS Vision

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We have borrowed an adapted version of Paul's words in Colossians I:25-29 as our vision:

"We have become the servants of the church leaders of East Africa, according to God's commission that was given to us for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. God wanted to make known among the East Africans the glorious wealth of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. We proclaim him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. We labor for this, striving with his strength that works powerfully in us."

We want to invest ourselves into the leaders of the churches of East Africa so that these leaders may become more excellent servants of these churches. We desire that these leaders be presented as "mature in Christ." We want these churches to better reflect God's original purpose for humanity – the reflection of God's glory and goodness back into His creation.



# The Lockhart Crisis

In early July, our friend and colleague Rebekah Lockhart was diagnosed with leukemia. This was devastating news to the Lockhart family and the greater seminary family. Rebekah has received the highest level of care to treat her cancer. After multiple rounds of chemotherapy, Rebekah received a bone marrow transplant in November. We thank you all for your prayers for Rebekah and the Lockhart men. God is healing her so that she can continue to glorify the name of Jesus. We love you Lockharts.



## The Sun on the Equator



We are so grateful for the donation of five solar hot water heaters for our campus. Our students, our kitchen staff, and the families of the faculty members can now enjoy naturally hot water heated year round. These, along with our solar electricity system, help us leverage God's gift to Uganda of an abundance of sunshine. God continues to shine His blessings onto UBS.

These and so many other gifts are being used in many ways across the campus.

#### **Newest Faculty Member—Andy Peterson**



The UBS family would like to introduce you to our newest team member, Mr. Andy Peterson. Andy is serving as a Journeyman with the IMB. He serves primarily in the English department, but he teaches a variety of other Biblical study and history courses.

Andy has a Bachelors in Biblical Studies and a Masters of Divinity both from Cedarville University. He hails from the great state of Maine.

Please pray that God will continue to use Andy during his time in Uganda as he loves and serves the church leaders of East Africa.



The Staff of UBS

The most valuable resource we have at UBS is our amazing team. God has assembled this team from all corners of Uganda. These dedicated brothers and sisters help make UBS one of the finest Biblical training schools in all of East Africa. If you think of what people are needed to run a school your first thought may be that you need teachers. But for our school to be fully functional, we need help from more than teachers. We **also** need a kitchen staff to cook three meals, and two tea times per day for often over one hundred hungry staff and students. We **also** need a grounds and maintenance and cleaning crew to keep our campus from quickly becoming a poorly functioning and dirty jungle. We **also** need experts in our business office to help us with the numbers and the logistics. We **also** need help keeping our team healthy, and with copies, and with the books in the library, and with purchasing our supplies, and with security, and with . . . . that is our team.

We give thanks to God for bringing us all together to serve Him with our various giftings that He has provided.



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### Our Story

Uganda Baptist Seminary was founded in 1988 by Jack Frost of the International Mission Board. The school is located in Jinja, Uganda, which is home to the source of the Nile River. From a handful of students in 1988 the school has grown to its current enrollment of 238 students. These students come from Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda, Congo, Sudan, and South Sudan. We have five full-time Ugandan faculty and three full-time IMB missionary families and one part-time volunteer from the UK. We have three program levels: Certificate, Diploma and Bachelors. We also host a Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary's Master's Degree. We operate on a modular, semi-residential model where students come in for one month terms, three times per year.

## By the Numbers in 2022

- 238 Students from 8 Countries
- 0 2 Students in the current Masters Cohort with SEBTS
- ♦ 10 Full-time Lecturers
- ◊ 10 Local Adjunct Lecturers
- 0 214 Courses Taught
- ♦ It costs about \$800 per student per year.

## A Good Investment

Uganda Baptist Seminary works because of the generosity of our many donors. These donors are individuals and churches that have seen the great need to train the church leaders of East Africa. The Church in Africa is a mile wide, but it is often only an inch deep. Your investment helps us to shape the current and future leaders into the mature believers that God desires.

Sincerely, Anthony Shelton, PhD - Principal

We are excited to announce that Uganda Baptist Seminary now has a dedicated giving page hosted on the International Mission Board website. You can go to the link here:

#### https://www.imb.org/give/project/uganda-baptist-seminary/

or you can use your phone to scan this QR code.

If you would like to learn more about missions opportunities or just keep up with the daily operations of UBS please check our Facebook page or visit our website at: www.ugandabaptistseminary.org

