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God's Faithfulness

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One step at a time is not easy. It is very easy for us to worry about the steps way out there when we cannot see around the corner. Here at Uganda Baptist Seminary, we remind ourselves that God has been faithful in the past. We know God is with us today, but what about tomorrow? It is a humbling process to walk in faith, not knowing the “how” of God’s provision for tomorrow. Time and time again, God has shown His faithfulness in carrying us one day at a time and one year at a time. 2019 is just another example in a long line of examples that God is in control. God has been gracious to us in giving us a small glimpse into the future, showing us that His grace is sufficient for today and tomorrow. We are thankful that we have an amazing local team to walk with us on this journey. We are also thankful to the many partners around the world that have joined hands with us as we obey the task set before us: “Go and make disciples of all nations . . . teaching them to observe everything I have commanded . . . And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”



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The Godby Dining Hall

Our biggest improvement on campus this year was to the kitchen area. We were able to convert our wood burning stoves into cooking gas stoves. This makes us more efficient and much cleaner. We were then able to convert the firewood storage area into additional dining space. We want to give thanks to the Godby Family for their donation which made all of this possible.



Presidential Visit

In April, we were honored to host the new IMB president, Dr. Paul Chitwood and his team. Paul was able to tour the campus, teach a lesson on salvation to one of our classes, preach in chapel, and enjoy a meal with the faculty and students. It was a joy to show his team first hand what God is doing through UBS in training these East African brothers and sisters to be more excellent servants of God. The Baptist Press accompanied the team and wrote a story about the visit: <http://www.bpnews.net/52705/prosperity-gospel-a-problem-in-africa-chitwood-says>



New Staff Members - Peter Ekulam and Roy Kasika



We welcomed two members to the UBS team. Mr. Peter Ekulam (left) and Mr. Roy Kasika (right). Peter is a recent bachelors graduate of UBS. He has a passion for the worship of God through music and the arts. He has come onto the team as Director of Worship for the school. He is in charge of leading our chapel services, directing our devotional programs, and teaching instrumental and voice lessons to interested students. Roy is a diploma graduate and current bachelors student. Roy is a gifted communicator and has been brought onto the team as the Assistant English Teacher.

Missionary Profile - George and Faye Cannady

George and Faye have two grown children and five grandchildren as well as younger daughter, Allison, 17 years old, who is currently at boarding school at RVA in Nairobi. They have been serving with the IMB as missionaries in Botswana and Uganda since 2002. They came to UBS in 2015. George is the Director of Operations. He along with his team keeps the place looking sharp and working as it should. Faye is the 2nd Deputy Principal of Finance and Administration. Faye makes sure the business side of the school runs with high integrity and efficiency. She also keeps the principal from losing his mind. They have been a huge blessing to the UBS team and will be sorely missed when they retire next year.



Graduation Celebration



In June of this year, we were blessed again to celebrate a graduation with many of our students. This ceremony was special in that we also had a group of students graduating with their Masters Degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. We welcomed Dr. John Ewart, from SEBTS, to confer this group. We also welcomed the newly elected president of the Baptist Union of Uganda, Mr. Abel Segirinya. Abel is a graduate of UBS and SEBTS as well as one of our regular adjunct professors. "Well done" to this group who worked so hard and sacrificed so much in order that they may better serve the body of Christ in East Africa.



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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 243 students. These students come from Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda, Congo, Sudan, and South Sudan. We have three full-time Ugandan faculty and three full-time IMB missionary families and one mostly full-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 2019

- ◇ 243 Students from 7 Countries
- ◇ 18 Students in the current Masters Cohort with SEBTS
- ◇ 7 Full-time Lecturers
- ◇ 19 Local Adjunct Lecturers
- ◇ 228 Courses Taught
- ◇ It costs about \$800 per student per year.

2020 - 2050

We have been witnesses to another year of God at work at UBS. We are finishing off 2019 with big plans for 2020. But we want everyone to know that we are also lifting our eyes beyond 2020. Uganda is in the middle of an extraordinary growth explosion. The population has doubled since 1999, from 22 million to 44 million, and it is expected to double again and reach over 100 million by the year 2050. This creates an enormous God-sized challenge. Who will reach these new people with the Gospel? We are making plans to spread our wings and allow UBS to be a greater part of God's purposes for us in this region.

Sincerely, Anthony Shelton, PhD - Principal

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www.ugandabaptistseminary.org

Finally, we have a new Youtube channel. Go to Youtube.com and search for Uganda Baptist Seminary. There you will find several videos that will show you what we are up to.