# <u>Uganda 2014</u>



We had the chance to pray for people at the altar call in the open air crusades. The power of God was present to save people from their sins and heal them of their sicknesses.

A team of five, including myself, went out to Uganda for a mission trip which would last around 10 days. We would have the chance to minister at local churches, do teaching and equipping classes as well as minister at crusades and even on local radio. When praying for this trip God told me that the opening Sunday would not be a 'warm up' for the main event but that we should believe God for significant things to happen and to pray for a release of prophetic anointing.

## **Opening Sunday**

We started by being sent to various churches. Anne Vesse, one of the team, experienced God giving her prophetic words for numerous members of the congregation she was ministering to in Masese, which is on the outskirts of the city of Jinja. There was a particular emphasis on gifting

and calling in the prophetic words. Anne already has experience in operating in the prophetic but that day saw a considerable acceleration in the manifestation of that gift.

Meanwhile I saw in Igange where we had an altar call for healing. So many people came forward so I led them in a group prayer but with no results. I decided to call out and pray for the first person I sensed God put his hand on and that person was healed so I carried on in the same manner and they were being healed one after another.

- One woman had suffered from stomach pain for over a year and was delivered of all pain.
- An elderly man was suffering from itching eyes and chest pain. Jesus healed him completely.
- A lady came forward for prayer having been diagnosed by her doctor with high blood pressure. All of the discernible symptoms she spoke of, including dizziness and chest pain, disappeared in the name of Jesus!
- A young lady who came forward for prayer began to act strangely when I called her forward and it quickly became apparent she was demonized. The power of Jesus drove out the evil spirits and she was completely set free.

We saw 11 people in total delivered and set free in that one service. Glory to God!



The congregation at Igange which saw miracle after miracle of healing and deliverance

#### 3 Day Missions & Seminars

We divided the main part of the mission into two section. Each section would have separate women's and men's seminars during the day and then evening open air crusades.

Led by Rev. Elaine Roberts and Rev. Anne Vesse, the women's seminars in Wanyange and then Masese saw a transformation in how the women saw themselves. In a conservative, male dominated culture, it can be difficult for a woman to believe she can be used by God to do many things. Praise God they had two great examples of women used mightily by God. A great potential has begun to be unleashed for the kingdom of God!

The men's meetings ran concurrently and involved Rev. John Hall, Richard Barrett and myself. The numbers slowly built up and the second set of seminars was very well attended. Some who attended the first series came to Masese for a second course! The men soaked up the teaching and were greatly stirred to take the gospel out to the whole nation. There was also a serious and heartfelt recognition of the need to fully include women in the ministry vision. The final day in each location was excellent as we prayed for men to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit. By the end of each series you could sense a clear shift in attitudes and their was a great atmosphere of praise and worship.

#### **Open Air Gospel Crusades**

What a wonderful feeling it is to be on the front line, preaching and praying for people, hearing the gospel go out and seeing the harvest come in. Firstly in Wanyange and then in Masese we saw people respond to the gospel. Almost every evening we saw people come forward for salvation and every evening was marked by miraculous healings.

- One women with a knee injury made her way gingerly to the edge of the platform and in response to the prayer of faith, Jesus healed her completely.
- Another person suffered from long term dental pain. I stopped praying for them almost as soon as I had started because I felt something happen. The person testified that the pain disappeared almost as soon as I started praying. God didn't even wait for me to finish, hallelujah!

- One child had been complaining of pain in her eyes which had afflicted her for a long time. That night the pain afflicted her no more.
- Another girl came to the altar call having been oppressed by demons. As we
  began to pray she convulsed and twisted and fell to the floor. It took three grown
  adults to hold that child down but Jesus is more powerful than any demon and by
  the end of that evening she was completely set free! The six night of open air
  crusades were an amazing demonstration of the power of God to save and set
  free.

All in all 68 people made a confession of faith in Christ and in the crowded and somewhat disorganised mayhem of the altar calls we could get no accurate figure on the number of healings but I estimate it was between 70 and 100 people who experienced Jesus power to heal and two others who were delivered from demonisation as well.

## Radio Bamboo & The Bible Study

Some of the local Christians have an arrangement with a radio station to speak on a half hour slot every evening. Each of the team had a chance to speak on Radio Bamboo and on the night John Hall gave his talk live on air we received a call from a listener who wanted to give his life to Christ and then from another after the program was over wanting to do the same. May others over the course of the week phoned in to give prayer requests. It was wonderful to hear the openness and responsiveness of people to the word of God.

On one rain soaked night after a crusade we visited a bible study group held in a home that was not much larger than some peoples garden shed. In that place every night a group of Christians gathered. On the night we were there 45 people including many children were packed into that building. They praised and worshipped God openly and there was such a joy and sense of God's presence about that place. That visit alone stood out as a wonderful experience.

### **Summary**

In less than two weeks we have seen so many changed lives. Many receiving a word from God about their calling and gifting. Women catching a vision for their part in the kingdom of God. Men were stirred in their hearts to facilitate that vision and also to be filled and launched out themselves.

Nearly 70 people came to faith in Christ for which we praise God! There were even more miracles of healings than people coming to salvation! Not to mention several people who were delivered from demonisation {At least 5 by my count}.

One local man also received a bible in his own language. He was so moved he went straight out after the service to go and share the gospel with people.

There was so much movement forward for the kingdom of God in such a short time and we trust that this mission will bear eternal fruit for which we thank and bless God! Amen.