



# LEAD FOR CHRIST

*Leaders Equipping African Disciples*

EXCEPTIONAL STRENGTH AND GLORY . . .

Our Dear Friends,

Welcome to summer 2026. Things are heating up here in Illinois. Slow but sure. We love the sunny warm weather (usually). God is a Sun and a Shield (Ps. 84:11). Shine Jesus Shine!

We will be enjoying our picnics and ballgames and swimming. But we also know we are called to a deeper life, an intimate life with God. We can do many things in our lives, but only a few things we must do. God, His Word, His Spirit, obedience, love—this is true life. His desire for us is EXCEPTIONAL STRENGTH AND GLORY! We are hungry for it.

With this wisdom in our hearts, we give great praise and glory to God! Our recent trip to Uganda in April was a taste of exceptional strength and glory. As we returned home we came back joy-filled. As one of our team members described it—“ELECTRIFYING”!



This is why—

- 10 Americans + 2 weeks in Uganda + about 60 energetic thirsty pastors and leaders + motivated learners and transforming teachers + lots of praying + God’s power and grace = EXCEPTIONAL STRENGTH AND GLORY!
- The precious love and unity of the Body of Christ shone brightly. Leaders from Uganda, Rwanda, Congo bonded together in Jesus. The cohesiveness of the Spirit knitting us as partners cheering on God’s work in America and Africa was awesome.
- Friends and supporters back home surrounding us in serious prayer, help, encouragement. All for One, and One for all. We wish you were there (oh, you were there!)
- By the way, we are noticing we have a growing problem—many people who come on a trip with us once want to come again! It is dangerous to step out in faith with God. We can become captured and captivated with Jesus! Yeah

STEVE HAWTHORNE: “You can do something other than working with God in His purpose, but it will always be something lessor; and you couldn’t come up with something better.”



OSWALD CHAMBERS: “If we are going to live as disciples of Jesus, we have to remember that all noble things are difficult. The Christian life is gloriously difficult, but the difficulty of it does not make us faint and cave in, it rouses us up to overcome. Do we so appreciate the marvelous salvation of Jesus Christ that we are our utmost for His highest?”

#### PLEASE PRAY WITH US:

- Our next trip to Kenya in August
- Our long-term strategic planning meetings this summer
- To get our courses credentialed
- For God-inspired volunteers to pray, send, and go to Africa with us
- For a multitude of “on fire” disciples who will be mobilizers for world missions

#### MAYBE EVEN YOU—

- Let us come and share about Africa in your church or home
- Organize a missions prayer group and PRAY
- Encourage your pastor to teach about reaching the world
- Join your missions committee in your church
- Read a book on **EXTRAVAGANT STRENGTH AND GLORY** in missions today



We thank God for your caring and sharing and praying. Give us a shout. Remember Isaiah—“Here am I. Send me.” Remember Psalm 84:7—“They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion.”

Love and Gratitude to All

Dave and Jan

This work depends on the Grace of God and the generous prayers and gifts of God’s people.

