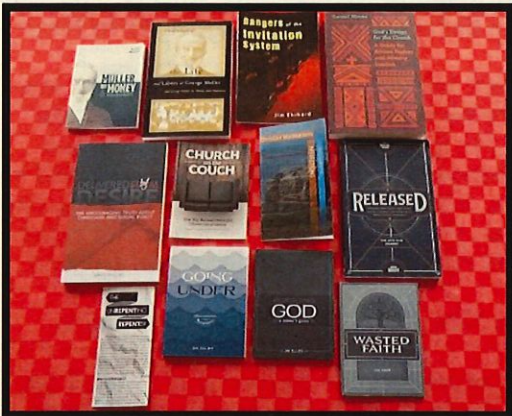




**“...for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.”  
2 Timothy 3:16, 17 NKJV**

Friends: September greetings to you all! I, Jim, got home yesterday after an 18-day trip to Uganda—and the Lord thoroughly blessed our time there. Kappy was well at home in Florida. Through many mishaps in travel (real stressors and times for gospel declaration), the Lord directed my steps overseas. We were blessed to take good Christian literature from Christian Communicators Worldwide, Crossway, and Chapel Library to pastors and leaders in Jinja, Uganda. We trained and taught pastors and leaders there—as seen in the photos at left. A small library of materials was given to 40 pastors/leaders and we enjoyed a teaching/training time about personal devotions. In the top photo, Pastor Alex Minge is engaged in teaching while Ivan Otim translates into Luganda. In the other photos, the people are seen rejoicing in the day and in their libraries. The men particularly enjoyed getting Conrad Mbewe’s book for Africa pastors.



Visits with old friends Sharifah, Harriet and her sons, Gracious, Alex and Beatrice Minge and family, Ronnie, Sunday and Elizabeth and family, David and Tabitha and family, were blessed as well. Other blessed visits were enjoyed with Sam, Ivan and Patricia and their son and daughter (Javan and Gracious), John Paul, the Opios, and with Collins and Alfred at African Bible College Radio. I enjoyed visiting and encouraging 3 ex-prostitutes and their children whom we are helping in a year-long residence ministry. A visit with children in a Saturday ministry time was exciting to see. I preached at Pastor Alex’s church, Choice Baptist Church, and enjoyed the Spirit’s work in the congregation; professions of faith in Christ were made. Alex said that the church is enjoying the work of the Spirit in a new and refreshing way these days. Several people mentioned that Ugandans are coming to Christ more so than usual. Please pray for Faisal, Alfonso and Mary who indicated a desire for salvation in Christ. All in all the Lord showed His goodness, mercy, love and grace in exceptional ways during this time of travel and service in Uganda. Please pray for God’s appointed good fruit resulting from this effort.



We are battenning down the hatches today as Idalia, a hurricane, is expected this way tomorrow morning. Pray for rain for a friend’s area in Texas that is experiencing severe drought. In these stressful and challenging times, the Lord remains faithful to His people—we rejoice in His grace in this! Glory to the Lord Jesus!



Pray with us for revival from Isaiah 57:15: “For thus says the High and Lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy place, With him who has a contrite and humble spirit, To revive the spirit of the humble, And to revive the heart of the contrite ones.” Love and thanks to you, friends of Mission Africa!



## KAPPY'S CORNER—Adventures in Flying

Jim left Sarasota, Florida on Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, for Uganda. The first adventure happened mid-trip when he arrived in Brussels awaiting the connecting flight to Uganda. He should have flown out Saturday morning at 10:30 but they wouldn't allow him to board because he had no visa to enter Uganda. He was told he could be there for two or three days waiting for the offices in Uganda to open. We wondered about this because we've always been able to obtain a Uganda visa on entry. He called me and said that he was waiting in a deserted part of the airport. He said it was like a horror movie—the moving sidewalk was running but he was the only one in the whole place. He was waiting for Ethiopian Airlines gate to open as a possible alternative to Brussels Air. In the meantime, he took the opportunity to sleep off and on. We texted back and forth that long day. Then at ten o'clock that night, he wrote that he was on Ethiopian Airlines; he was on his way and praising God!

He arrived in Uganda on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, a day later than originally planned and without his luggage. That meant that a large suitcase and two duffle bags full of Christian literature to distribute—plus the suitcase with his clean clothes and personal items—were somewhere else. He had no problem getting the visa on entry. He checked into the Gorilla Guest House close to the airport in Entebbe and rested until that night when his bags should have arrived. They didn't.

On Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, he wrote that he got the bags and he was in Hotel Olympia (where we always stay in Kampala). He said he had to get a shower before the power and the water shut off. He thanked me for the clean clothes.

On Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>, he wrote and said his return flight for the 25<sup>th</sup> had been canceled. He rebooked on KLM. This also meant he would get home a day later than our original plan and he had a 19-hour layover in Newark, NJ.

On Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>, I received a text from Jim that he had a very bad cold. He was back in the Gorilla Guest House near the airport, and the KLM flight would be an hour late leaving from Entebbe, Uganda. He only had a two-hour layover in Amsterdam before his connecting flight to Newark.

On Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>, Jim wrote that his flight arrived too late for the connection to Newark. He was being rerouted to JFK airport in New York where he would take a one-hour taxi ride across the bridge to Newark. He had a hotel room reserved for his overnight stay near the New Jersey airport, but when he called the hotel to report his change in schedule, he was told he had no reservation. When he called again and talked to someone else, he was told he did have a reservation. The taxi driver delivered Jim to the wrong Hampton Inn, even though Jim had given him the right address. Jim then took another taxi. By 7:30pm, he was in his room at the right Hampton Inn and resting.

On Sunday, the 27<sup>th</sup>, he flew—without incident—from New Jersey at 6:30am, arriving in Sarasota, Florida at 9:18am.

All through this seeming chaos we knew the Lord was in control. On Saturday morning I began to sing, "He's got the whole world in His hands...". We were praying, and friends were praying with us. Jim said, "The Lord did it! Prayer made all the difference!" He wrote, "The Lord has helped me through it all."



May our Lord bless you in His kindness,

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