

JESUS FILM MINISTRIES

NEWS ... people that walked in darkness have seen a great light...shadow of death...light has shined (Isa 9:2)

A Happy New Year to you,

Our invaluable partners. We are grateful to The Lord and you for your priceless support. That has been important in spreading the good news of God's Kingdom. We are (eye) witness of the amazing things Immanuel is doing in people's lives today as we race through the Ugandan mainland and islands of Lake Victoria. We can never thank you enough.

A busy, fruitful year

This has been a busy year indeed. We have just returned from Sese Islands where we hosted churches from different islands at a Christmas Party. In November we hosted two regional pastors' retreats (in Masaka, central Uganda and Kisoro, extreme southwestern Uganda, close to Congo and Rwanda border), had ministry on Sese Islands of Lake Victoria, Kitezi and Mengo suburbs of Kampala.

This was preceded by lots of ministry trips that included Sese Islands, Nakabugu, Luuka district in Busoga region, Wajinja in Lwengo district, Mubende, Central Uganda, Soroti in Eastern Uganda and an initial visit to Kisoro district.

Sese Islands Christmas!

The people who live on these islands face a lot of isolation and abandonment from the not-so-far-away mainland. Transportation hurdles, lack of essential supplies, unemployment easily give way to despair. The gospel brings them the hope they so badly need.



Singers perform a dance at the Christmas party, Dec.2017
We held the first ever church Christmas Party on Buyange, one of Sese islands of Lake Victoria in December 2017.

Little churches sailed to Buyange Island for the special moment. Church choirs presented songs, followed by praise and worship then came food. We then cut the birthday cake (for Jesus), had the ministry of the word punctuated with singing and then prayer for people till daybreak. Time seemed to run faster than usual.



Praise time, Sese Islands Christmas Party 2018

We flew back to Sese Islands 20-21 this month for this year's party. We carried more food and sodas, two birthday cakes and flew to Bukasa Island (Thanks to MAF for 20 minutes flight instead of 6-8 hours by boat) and sailed to host at least 300 at this year's party. The joy of The Lord at the party was tangible.

Wajinja worshippers come to Jesus

Wajinja village in Lwengo district of central Uganda is a destination for multitudes who travel long distances and swarm the little village to gather at Wajinja Rock every September to worship, give offerings and ask blessings from *Wajinja* demon. The *Shepherds* interdenominational team of rural pastors and Jesus Film Ministries decided to take a stand against this. September this year was the second of three years Jesus Film Ministries joined those churches to hold church conference, evangelistic campaigns, gospel film shows and worship time at Kayunga Full Gospel Church, which is some 500 meters from Wajinja Rock. Many people including community leaders have abandoned *Wajinja* and come to our campaigns to hear the gospel with many giving their hearts to The Lord. They express relief from harassment and bondage to *Wajinja*. A number of those who got possessed at the shrine and became violent were carried to the church for prayer and they got well. We continue to stand with The Shepherds in their efforts to free the land from idolatry.

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