

# YOUganda Update



## Redefining What's "Impossible"

We have come to Uganda to learn all we can about the "Missio Dei," the Mission of God, and what that looks like as we serve the Lord. One lesson is that we are often too quick to say something's impossible. What might appear impossible in one culture is commonplace in another. For example, bodas (motorcycle taxis) haul "impossible loads," including caskets with dead bodies. Luke 18:27. Jesus said, "What is impossible with man is possible with God." Psalm 68:19. "Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens." QUESTION: Are we too quick to say something is impossible, when God is inviting us to simply give our "impossible" to Him to carry for us?



## Learning Luganda

English is the official language of education and government. The language of the people in this area is Luganda. Here's our primer for Luganda:

Hello - Ogamba chi

How are you? - Oli otya?

Yes - Yee

Please - Bambi

Thank you - Weebale

You're welcome - Kaale

Coffee, please - Mwattu,  
mandyagaddeyo ka kaawa

I don't understand - Sskitegeera

Praise God! - Mukama Yebazibwe!

Praise Jesus! - Yesu Asiimwe!

Water - amazzi

Let's go! - Tugende!

Excuse me - Owange

Does anyone here speak English?

Wano waliwo amanyi Oluzungu?

Amen - ameena



Tyler School, where we teach, is a beautiful compound featuring all sorts of tropical trees including bananas, guavas, and jack fruit. Pray that we will serve God and these students well as we prepare them to be world changers for the cause of Jesus Christ.



## Prayer Request

Jesus said, “Whatever you have done unto the least of these, my brothers and sisters, you have done unto me.” (Matt. 25:40)  
Some of the least of these are



the street boys who sleep on sidewalks, beg for bread, and crowd around muzungus (whites) as they get into and out of cars. Pray God will show us how to minister to them without simply increasing their dependence on others.

## On the Podcast:

Dr. Andy Coward, who provides the music for our podcast, as well as serving at St. Luke's Lubbock's Central Campus and at Kingdom Preparatory Academy, often asks, “What role does hope play in the lives of people who are so destitute or ill that there is little chance of a better temporal existence?” He might have been thinking of the street people of Uganda when he posed that rhetorical question. Jesus invested himself in others, and that gave them hope. Because of what Jesus has done for us, we can share that hope with the people of Uganda... and everywhere else. Psalm 25:5. “Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God...my hope is in you all day long.”

## Talk To Us

We'd love to hear from you. Questions, prayer requests, shoutouts, write us at [authorbearmills@gmail.com](mailto:authorbearmills@gmail.com).

## A Final Thought...

Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert authored a brilliant book, “When Helping Hurts,” about how to help the poor without inadvertently making the problem worse. Americans often want to throw money at problems, but that can simply create dependence on “the white savior.” (And we're not talking about Jesus.) We would love you to read the book along with us and let us know your key takeaways!