

CHRISTIANITY FOCUS CHURCH

KAMPALA,
UGANDA



Christianity Focus Church is in Ssumbwe Wakiso, one of the most impoverished parts of Kampala, Uganda. The people it serves as well as its members live in a slum. Most work as garbage pickers, vegetable sellers, or day laborers and make a few cents a day, if anything at all. Some volunteer as teachers and volunteer pastors serving the community.

The Church

130 members gather weekly to worship in a semi-finished structure (they have been working for over a decade trying to pool whatever resources they have to make it enclosed). They have managed to put on a roof, but the walls are only half built.



Francis Ssenyondo
Head Pastor

MY CHURCH MEMBERS ARE IN DEEP POVERTY. A BIG NUMBER DON'T HAVE ANY JOBS BECAUSE THERE IS NO WORK. THEY SUFFER TO JUST GET SOMETHING TO EAT EVERY DAY. MANY ARE PICKING TRASH OR TRYING TO COOK CHAPATI TO FEED THEMSELVES. THAT IS WHY I CAN'T RECEIVE A SALARY FROM THEM.

~ PASTOR FRANCIS SSENYONDO

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Pastor Francis has a goal of training 1 assistant pastor per year who can go and serve at the church or start a sister church in a location a few miles down the road. None of the members can afford transportation; churches generally serve people within walking distance (1 to 4 miles).

Since the members have virtually no income, Pastor Francis and his family are supported by meager donations of food that the members can provide. His only income has been working as a driver for western NGOs several times a year. He uses this money to pay school fees for his children, so that they can have an education (schools are not free in Uganda). With recent geopolitical changes, this income has been significantly reduced.

Ministries

- Training, equipping, and sending pastors to plant churches. 9 pastors sent so far.
- Weekly evangelism, both street evangelism and door-to-door.
- Evangelism by sharing with the most impoverished unchurched people in the community whatever little the church members have. Usually 1/2 bowl of beans or a *chapati* (small tortilla).
- Yearly gathering for women (women's conference*).
- Yearly worship conference to teach the art of effectively leading worship.
- Youth conference.
- Children's conference.
- Return of Jesus conference, to name a few.

* "Conference" means a gathering of people at the church. No catering, no fancy equipment or outfits. Come as you are to learn and worship.

Goals / Prayer Requests

1. Finish the walls of the church so that they don't get rained on in bad weather.
2. Start a community garden to provide a way to feed the impoverished in their community.



Neighborhood school



Neighborhood where Christianity Focus Church is located.



Sunday morning worship service