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We left early this morning to visit three schools that we have been involved in for several years now. I shared four times, three with students and once with parents. My main point was to challenge them to make the most of the opportunities they are being given. In each of these areas, no school have existed in the past.

I started by stating that when you are walking, where you have been in behind you and where you are going is your future. I then pointed out that I was an old man and most of my life was behind me but with them, they have little behind them and much in the future. How they take advantage of the opportunities given to learn and to serve Christ will make a difference in their lives and in the nation of Uganda. When sharing this with the parents, I put great emphasis on the need for them to nurture their children and not be satisfied with the status quo.

The first was Calvary School at Kiyoola. There was an outside formation where the children sang the Ugandan National Anthem and then let me speak. The second school was Bethel Country High School. I spoke to two different classrooms totally packed with students.

In the past the girls dorm had solar lights but the boys did not. This year there are eight more girls than boys, so they had to switch dorms and I said I would work to see if we could get a solar light system with several lights for the girls.

The third school was Vineyard School at Seeta Nazigo. There was a large celebration there complete with parents present. At the end of 2017, their first class of P7 students finished and took the national Primary Leaving Test and all are eligible to move on to Senior 1. I failed to get a photo of just the students until after their parents joined them. On a side note, two of these students scored highest in the district. There was also a promotion for children who are now moving from preschool to P1. A little certificate was given them as shown below.

Tomorrow, a Ugandan pastor and I will travel to the church plant sponsored by the Hixson Tennessee Presbyterian Church. We will visit house to house Saturday afternoon, after church on Sunday, and then Monday morning before returning to the guest house. Your prayers are appreciated.



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