



TESTIMONY FROM 2015-2016 INHERIT THE NATIONS PROJECT

As part of the original Inherit the Nations project started in December 2015, sixty-six pairings were initiated within the first month or two. One of those was between a young couple, part of a field team just headed to the field to work among a particular unreached people group living in the Horn of Africa—we'll call the team leader Sam for the purposes of this testimony (not his real name). A prayer community from Uganda was paired with Sam's field team; this particular prayer community was led by Daniel (not his real name) and included a church, a Bible school, youth programs, and a strong prayer team. Sam and his field team corresponded regularly with Daniel and his prayer community over the course of time. In fact, the two teams became so bonded that Sam's team went to visit Daniel's group in Uganda to meet them in person. Here's Sam's email to me following their visit:

"I wanted to write you because you mentioned you'd like to hear if we visited Daniel. We did and it was amazing and incredibly fruitful for prayer for our UPGs and I'd recommend everyone have a greater personal connection with the communities they are partnered with! E & T, who are our ministry partners here and founded the ministry we work with, came with us. It was wonderful to have my whole family come as well, as frequently I have to travel without them.

Daniel greeted us accompanied by their Church's overseer of prayer. We were expecting to be received by just Daniel, but when we reached the town, we were pleasantly surprised to find the Bishop and his whole team of leaders involved in our visit. This communicated to us that the prayer for our UPG wasn't just a fringe project for them but that at the highest level of leadership of their denomination and network, there was interest and a high level of commitment.

We had 3 separate programs: one with Daniel's church, one with a friend of Daniel's church and one with seminary students who Daniel teaches. At each location, we found people had been pouring their hearts out before the Lord on behalf of the UPG we represent, even though they had little understanding about who they were or what our work was. It was a blessing to them to hear stories of all the Lord has done this past year while they have been praying, and it fueled their prayers to hear more about the vision God has given us and how we are working.

It was so moving for us to see how Daniel encouraged prayer for the UPG and where this was most clearly seen was in the people he had envisioned to pray. He introduced us to a girl named J, who really felt the call to pray for the UPG. This last year, she went around to all the different cell groups in the churches and told them about this group and led them in prayer. Daniel told us she is always mobilizing people to pray for them. Likewise, with the seminary students, Daniel has them praying through the night for our UPG. The Bible college is not only for knowledge, but for transformation, and so Daniel set up a schedule of chain prayer every night, so that the students are praying through the night every night, taking hour shifts at a time. And this is sustained by only 7-10 students! They will all pray over a single issue, and many times that has been the UPG we are aiming to reach!

For us, this last year as they've prayed, we have seen so much openness, so much provision, so much divine favor, blessing and miracles among our UPG and I know that a lot of that is due to the believing prayers coming from Uganda and Daniel's prayer community. So I want to encourage you and thank you for connecting Daniel's prayer community to our field team! Thank you for listening to the Lord and acting on what He says. The fruit is immeasurable! Bless you all!"

Within the last month or so, I got word from another leader working in the Horn of Africa among this people group: "We just baptized 500 new believers from this UPG!" God continues to move on behalf of His peoples' believing prayers and the faithful efforts of field teams joining hands with one another!