## Uganda Christian University Partners Thankful for your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now."

December 2016

Philippians 1:3-5



## Grateful for the Harvest

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, I wanted to take the opportunity to look back on this past year and consider all the ways your support has empowered us to partner with Uganda Christian University.

Fundraising/Farewell for former Board President: In a special dinner hosted by the outgoing Board President, Uganda Partners had the chance to honor Sherman White and also to raise scholarship money for business students at UCU.

Matching Grant Campaign for Science Laboratory: A generous board member offered a matching grant for science laboratory equipment, matching up to \$10,000 for any donations made in 2016.

<u>Clergy Support Fund</u>: At our 2016 Uganda Partners Board meeting, Dr. John Senyonyi shared UCU's commitment to scholarship 72 clergy students each year. In addition, he shared the difficulties clergy face in educating their children. The Clergy Support Fund seeks to address both of these challenges by providing scholarship money for clergy students as well as scholarship assistance to the children of active clergy who are studying at UCU.

Writing Workshops for Dissertations and Grants: For the second year, Patty Huston-Holm has volunteered to run writing workshops for graduate students at UCU, assisting them in the completion of their dissertations. This year, Patty recruited her college roommate to offer a grant-writing workshop for both students and staff at UCU.

Global 5K: With more than 130 participants, spanning 6 continents and 25 states, Uganda Partners raised over \$4,000 in scholarship assistance for UCU Honours College students. In the last two years, the Global 5K funds have supported 7 students with scholarship assistance in their time of need.

<u>UCU Connect Team</u>: In October 2016, Uganda Partners assisted a team from St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Mt. Pleasant, SC. Led by Tom and Jayne Gurley, the team included a variety of professionals who were able to visit UCU, share mutual professional experiences, and explore an ongoing partnership with UCU.

From top to bottom: UCU's Nursing Department in action in the community. Media students at work. Studying at the Hamu Mukasa Library, UCU supporters visiting UCU in October.

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<u>Uganda Partners' Website</u>: We continue to develop our website and encourage you to check out our new gift page (<a href="https://www.ugandapartners.org/gift/">https://www.ugandapartners.org/gift/</a>). In addition, we have launched a blog (<a href="https://www.ugandapartners.org/our-blog/">https://www.ugandapartners.org/our-blog/</a>) to keep you updated on the students, faculty and alumni of Uganda Christian University.

While the preceding list is a bit of a progress report on Uganda Partners, I hope the photographs communicate how your gifts are transforming the lives of students and their communities in Uganda and East Africa.

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