UGANDA, HERE WE COME

On July 5 (through the 21st) the Band and Bible team will make their sixth trip to Uganda. The bands in Kampala and Bunyoro-Kitara are much loved and serve a very important role in the life of the Church of Uganda in leading worship and teaching music to talented boys and girls. The bands also perform in civic and governmental parades and are paid to entertain at weddings and parties.

Band director Richard Wallace and percussionist/band instructor Robert Packer will accompany Eric Fenton who plays trumpet and teaches the Bible. With great patience and kindness, Richard teaches music and shows the youngsters how to make repairs with available materials. Eric provides valuable spiritual formation with practical application of biblical truths. This will be Robert's first visit.

Last year the team took 2 trombones, 7 trumpets, two boxes of drum sticks, a number of drum heads, and three soccer balls. Many of you have old band instruments that have been taking up space and gathering dust for years. Hang on to your memories but send the gently-used instruments on to these young folks who will be delighted to have them. The team will accept as many instruments as you are willing to give. (Receipts for tax purposes can be arranged.)

The Mengo Boys and Girls Brigade has also set up a Scholarship Committee that assists students with school fees. Vigilant oversight is maintained, and we receive progress reports on recipients. Last year there were five graduates, two of whom have gone on to university and one to a technical school.

If you'd like to participate in this ministry, $100 will buy a used trumpet, $200 pays for a used
trombone, $400 for a used baritone, and $800 for a used tuba. Scholarships for students in lower grades are $100 per year, while high schoolers will pay $200 per year. University and technical school students can go to school for $1000 per year. Notebook computers are $400 each.

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2018 MISSION TRIPS:

July 3-10    HONDURAS    Patricia Perea    Manos de Dios
July 8-21    UGANDA      Eric Fenton      Band & Bible
July 14-21   GUATEMALA   Nancy Springer    Construction
July 15-20   MEXICO      Amanda Hagy    VBS
July 22-31   KENYA       Eric Fenton      Youth
Nov. 3-10    GUATEMALA   Lorena Rojas    Construction, medical/dental

SAVE THE DATES

August 25, Summer Mission Symposium.