



Global School of Sports Ministry

News Brief

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Terrorist Threats Shut Down GSSM's WORLD CUP Outreach in Uganda.

Plans were progressing well for a major outreach and practicum for our students when government authorities in Uganda announced that all public programs such as GSSM's would have to be cancelled due to security concerns.



Earlier, Kenya had received similar

threats and within days a bomb exploded in a restaurant/bar where people had gathered to watch the televised World Cup soccer matches being hosted by Brazil. Fifty people were killed.



Several days later, bombs went off in Nigeria...

...where large crowds had gathered to watch the World Cup matches with Nigeria being one of the contenders. Numerous people died in these attacks.

Reluctantly, GSSM cancelled our large screen showings of the World Cup and the accompanying activities. In the past, programs of this nature have attracted hundreds and in some cases, two or three thousand people.

Ugandan police stated that it was impossible to provide the kind of security that GSSM would need for such a large gathering.

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Plan B

A pair of outreaches/practicums to replace World Cup program.

Barnabas Mwesiga (pictured above), GSSM's African director, switched gears immediately and began working on two alternatives that would take the place of the World Cup program that was forcibly cancelled.

Bussi Island

1.

A small number of students representing all parts of Uganda will travel with Barnabas to Bussi Island, one of many islands that make up the Sesse Island chain that stretches all the way to Tanzania. The islands are located in Lake Victoria, the second largest lake in the world.

Plan B continued...

Following a two-hour ride in a dugout-like canoe and powered by a small outboard motor, students will disembark at Bussi Island to begin a 3-day outreach program.

The days will be filled with community service projects, sports clinics, soccer matches, video programs in the evening and most importantly, sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

In addition to the outreach programs involving those in training, Barnabas will be looking to identify potential students on Bussi Island who have a burden to reach the hundreds of people who inhabit the numerous islands that make up the Sesse chain.

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2. Luzira Prison

Also in the works are plans for an additional outreach/practicum targeting the largest prison in Uganda: Luzira.

Barnabas and the students will distribute clothes, soap, food, Bibles and other gifts to the children and families of the prisoners who live in small huts just outside the prison walls.

Inmates will also receive a variety of gifts including needed personal items, Christian literature, Bibles and a few other necessities as approved by the prison authorities.

Soccer matches and clinics will be held for the prisoners in addition to a video program. The gospel will be presented throughout the different activities. Numerous GSSM students will participate in this outreach/practicum as they learn how to organize and run a prison ministry.



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Help NEEDED...

- **PRAYER** Please pray for these programs of outreach and the training that will take place for our students. This is the most important thing you can do.
- **FINANCES** Numerous items will have to be purchased to assist the prisoners and the families of the incarcerated. In addition, GSSM must provide our students with transportation, food and lodging for both the outreach to Bussi Island and the one being held at Luzira Prison in Kampala.

THANK YOU in advance
for your willingness to pray and for your help as God would lead and enable you.
We deeply appreciate your important role in the ministry.

Sincerely,
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