

LAUNCH INTO THE DEEP!

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In-House Sunday
Sermon Notes



Today is in-house Sunday. If you are visiting please enjoy the service, you will get to know us a little better. If you are considering Mavuno as your local church, then today will help you along as you make that decision.

What's the most profound mission or personal statement or vision you've ever come across?

Let's see if you can recognize these ones

- **Just do it** - Nike
- **Connecting people** - Nokia
- **Think Different** - Apple
- **I'm loving it** - McDonalds
- **Everywhere you go** - MTN
- **The natural choice** - Mukwano group
- **Yes we can!** - Barrack Obama's presidential campaign 2008

Did you know that we as Mavuno have a Vision and a Mission? We just don't exist as a church, we are compelled about why we exist, and are pretty excited about our mission and vision.

Go over Mavuno's Vision and Mission.

- **OUR VISION:** Turning Ordinary People into Fearless influencers of society
- **OUR MISSION:** Planting a culture defining church in every capital city of Africa and the gateway cities of the world by 2035

Part of fulfilling our mission and vision is to send fearless influencers to the different sectors of society to bring impact and transformation in those spaces. Those six sectors are:

1. Church and Missions
2. Family and Education
3. Media and arts
4. Politics and governance
5. Business and economics
6. Health and environment

It's so key to realize that at Mavuno, the goal is your transformation and equipping, so you can become a change agent where you are and not just a spiritual consumer.

As such, from time to time we will have members of our leadership or full-time staff team that will feel called and more enabled to fulfill their calls in a greater capacity in the different sectors of society. As a community of faith, we celebrate this! **It's our highest privilege to send out people to impact our world!**

In that spirit, we want to celebrate two among us that are fearless influencers who are stepping out to greater influence, and today we want to commission them and bless them.

Pst Michael Onen has been our Mizizi and Outreach and Area code Pastor for the past one year. He and his wife joined the team in 2010 and have served amazingly in Nairobi and Kampala and have been instrumental in shaping our worship and services culture.

Pst Sam Naliku has been our care Pastor for Area code one (Greater Ntinda) and has served in our prayer and Lea ministry as well. He has really served well and allowed us capacity to care and love on others in our community here.

I want to take the next moments to pray and commission you as you go and represent Mavuno in an even greater dimension out there to be fruitful and multiply and live out the full potential that God has put inside of you, and to be fearless in your courage and commitment to see lives changed for his glory. You will always remain part of our greater Mavuno family.

READ: Psalms 20:

May the LORD answer you when you are in distress; may the name of the God of Jacob protect you. 2 May he send you help from the sanctuary and grant you support from Zion. 3 May he remember all your sacrifices and accept your burnt offerings. 4 May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed. 5 May we shout for joy over your victory and lift up our banners in the name of our God. May the LORD grant all your requests. 6 Now this I know: The LORD gives victory to his anointed. He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of his right hand. 7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God. 8 They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm. 9 LORD, give victory to the king! Answer us when we call!

We celebrate them and their service! Thank you!

This morning as a community, we want to continue to serve you, the people that God has called us to and to do it well. We have some among us who have embraced the call to help lead and serve our community here at Mavuno Kampala.

I'm going to invite us to pray for a few new staff team members. These people will be our pastors who are serving on part time or bi-vocational capacities, as a key part of our mission and vision.

Let me invite our new additions to our pastoral team.

- **Tina Ntulo** – Care Pastor for area code 3
- **Unia Kima** – Care Pastor for Area code 1
- **Denis Kima** – Outreach and creative ministry

READ: Acts 14:21-23

*They preached the gospel in that city and won a large number of disciples. Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, **22** strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. "We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God," they said. **23** Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust.*

READ: Titus 1:1-9

*Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ in service of the faith of God's elect and of their knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness, **2** in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began. **3** In His own time, He has revealed His message in the proclamation entrusted to me by the command of God our Savior. **4** To Titus, my true child in our common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior. **5** The reason I left you in Crete was that you would set in*

order what was unfinished and appoint elders in every town, as I directed you. 6 An elder must be blameless, the husband of one wife, having children who are believers and are not open to accusation of indiscretion or insubordination. 7 As God's steward, an overseer must be above reproach—not self-absorbed, not quick tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not greedy for money. 8 Instead, he must be hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. 9 He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it was taught, so that by sound teaching he will be able to encourage others and refute those who contradict this message.

Now many are called, but few are chosen, Jesus said, and therefore we always must be aware that God is calling us to step up and serve.

- a. **Leaders are called not perfect:** God qualifies the called not call the qualified. We respond to God's call because we are just as broken as anyone else, yet in our response, he helps us live out those gifts inside of us and qualifies us.
- b. **God uses people to reach people:** If God would have wanted to do it all by himself, he could. But he chooses us. We have a responsibility to respond in obedience to God.
- c. **Leaders help ministry function better:** One man ministry is a dangerous philosophy that has brought many a man and church to ruin. We are all parts of the body, and health is attained when we all do our part.
- d. **Supporting our leaders is supporting God's agenda for the local church:** Leaders bear an incredible weight as they serve. When we love, pray, encourage and support our God given leaders, God's plan for us and our city goes forward and we are blessed in return.

What is God asking us to do this year as Mavuno Kampala?

- a. **GROW**, which means **becoming more like Jesus and helping someone else to become like Him**. We ask that you pick 3 people that each of us is praying we can bring closer to Jesus this year. Be in a LG,
- b. **GLOW**, and that means **who's your life impacting**. We realized that our love for one another can change our city!
- c. **GO**, which means **taking what we've been blessed with to the rest of the world**.
- d. **Give**, Which means being generous with our resources to fulfill God's plan

Our Big Wins for 2017

1. **Church Planting – Plant Kabalagala & Entebbe**
Kabalagala will launch Sunday June 25th. The team is working hard to secure venues and resources for the plant. You can be part of it by giving specifically towards the plant.
We also want to Grow Kampala to 750 Adults, 250 Teens & 400 Kids
2. **Discipleship – 70 Life groups (50 Adult LGs, 20 Teen LGs)**
Healthy Life groups, Mizizi in our city including corporate Mizizi. High school LG's. Kid's LG's
3. **City Impact**
5,000 hours community impact. Each LG to feature a social justice event each month
Big events-events team to create an awareness of a caring church in our city.
4. **Leadership Development**
50 vocational and market place leaders. Celebrate these guys who have jumped in already!
We want everyone to serve in at least one ministry this year.
5. **Global impact**
Connect with 5 disciple making churches annually– 5 this year

Build a fearless Network in Kampala and Invite them to the fearless summit 2017

6. Resource mobilization

Finance team is streamlining our operations. NGO registration completed. Scout for land.
Set aside resources for church planting (10%) and live on 70% of our income as a church
Buy our sound. We are at **29M Out of 70M**. Keep giving!

This is why we are all called to serve and minister. This is why we all must have our hands involved. It's not complex, you just have to say, I'm here and I'm willing to do it!

Let's say the fearless creed together as we close:

"I am a Fearless Influencer ...

My past is forgiven, my future is secure
My present is not for me, but for the one who set me free
The die has been cast, I have stepped over the line
No more prayer-less living, cheap giving & selfish dreaming

I am part of the change; I will not hesitate to serve
I will gladly pay the cost, contagiously spreading His love,
Playing my role on the dream team, the Mavuno family
Until all Africa is changed, every sector of society

I align myself to God's purpose, I will be who He calls me to be
I agree to be shaped & molded, through His word and through His family
Until my will and His will fully agree
And I become fully the influencer that I was created to be

I am a Fearless Influencer..."

Congregational Blessing & Prayer