



John 3:16-17

May 2025

Dear Friends,

"We use the power of soccer to connect with people around the world; assess their needs and form partnerships to meet those needs."

-Surge Soccer

Please go to our website for updates, interviews, and needs, as we minister in Liberia.

www.surgesoccer.org

The weekly long training for the 60 young Liberians had gone well. From field sessions in the National Stadium, to devotions, lectures, and prayer time in the conference room. Saturday was the day the coaches would train children and receive their certifications of completion; in preparation for going back to their 20 locations, across Liberia, to begin the **DT6** Saturday Schools (Bible lessons, scripture memory and fun soccer games).

So - I was resting in my room on Friday afternoon when I was startled by a pounding on my door. I was urgently summoned to meet with Jon, the founder of Ambassadors Football. He said Brussel Airlines is scheduled to go on strike, so I need to get you on a plane home today!

Editors Note: 😊 never a dull moment when I travel internationally. 😊

I got out of Liberia, made it out of Brussels, then got stuck at Dulles Int'l in Washington DC. After "almost taking off" - 11 hours, a new plane, new pilot, and crew we finally headed for Portland.

What a privilege to partner with Ambassadors Football as they expand their work into Liberia, after three years of planning. *And they have asked me to continue consulting with them to help shape their coaching education.* ambassadorsfootball.org/dt6/

Surge News Briefs

+ 9 Liberian churches have already launched their new DT6 Saturday Schools 🇹🇵 ⚽

+ In Salzburg 500 children attended the soccer camp we helped launch with 125 accepting Christ

+ Younger orphans finally approved to re-join older orphans at RSJB in Tecate, Mexico

+ Surge Alumni Nate Brewer, from his base in Vienna, has authored a book, planted a church, and launched two dynamic programs – FiveFold Training & Working Genius. Website 4 more info: kyriosministries.org

+ We are part of the *Ready, Set, Go* leadership training program in Africa...more info to follow

Just for Fun: Sammy Surge was the answer to a question on a university Sports Ministry final's test.

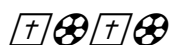
In faith we are moving forward with hiring someone to actively help raise funds to expand our ministry. please pray with us as we need to raise money to get the position launched.

The World Cup is coming to the USA in July of 2026. We can aid churches & Christian schools in reaching out to their communities through soccer. Contact me to learn more: dirby@surgesoccer.org

Upcoming

Saturday, May 31 Visit to RSJB Orphanage in Tecate, Mexico

Sunday, June 1 Visit to Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Santa Ana, CA



Sammy Surge surprises kids on final day of training / Group photo of staff and participants / Learning about the Bible, and scripture memory a vital part of the program. (Below) Surge Liberia staff and Sammy back in action, visiting two schools.



With the World Cup coming to the USA in 2026 we will be revising Sammy Surge's book for use with church outreach activities.

