

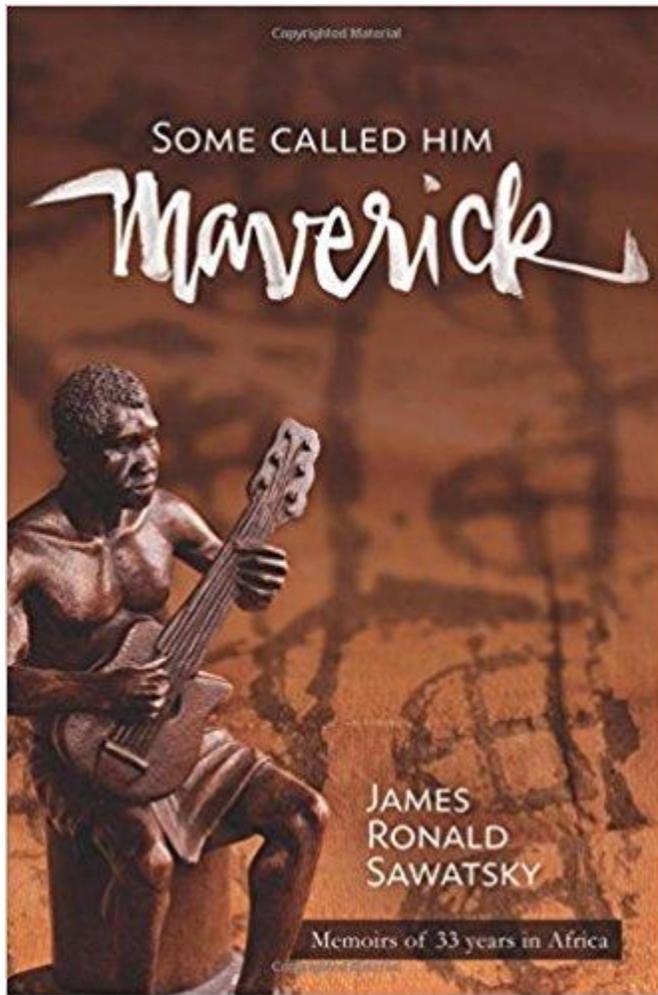
JIM SAWATSKY – with his musical giftedness and entrepreneurial spirit expanded the role of Christian musicians by establishing a recording studio and then Christian radio stations to broadcast the gospel.

BIO

GOOD TO KNOW

1. Battling the enemy – stories of confronting demonic activity and helping people find freedom through deliverance. Learning the power of praise and using the authority of the believer to cast out demons in Jesus name.
2. Love of Music – growing up in a musical family that easily gathered around the piano to sing and harmonize. Learning to play instruments in high school, trumpet and bass guitar.
3. The Kinshasa Trio – Jim explains the origins of the group and then how doors opened for ministry in North America and also with Evangelist Howard Jones to West Africa with audiences ranging from 10 to 100,000. Often there was a 10% response rate of people coming to Christ.
4. Amazing story of through Christian radio the city of Kinshasa was called to prayer to praise and thank God for a smooth political transition – 120,000 Congolese filled the stadium to overflowing.
5. As the Kinshasa Trio (Sango Malamu) gained in popularity there were requests for recordings and so Studio Sango Malumu was born to record and produce Christian recordings; this led later to the development of a Christian radio station, Radio Sango Malamu which distributed Christian music throughout the country and later throughout Africa.
6. In his role as Africa Media Consultant Jim helped establish other Christian radio stations in Pointe Noire-Congo, Libreville-Gabon, Cote d'Ivoire, Mali, Burkina Faso and Guinea. These Christian radio stations are broadcasting an all-inclusive gospel with evangelism, discipleship, family matters, agricultural training etc
7. Radio Bonne Nouvelle (Libreville, Gabon) <http://www.radio-rbn.com/#>
8. Jim closes the podcast by modeling a prayer for the country of Congo.

BOOK TO READ



I had the fun of working with Jim Sawatsky for many of these years in Congo. I loved his passion for life. I loved his musical giftedness framed in evangelism. From very large stadiums to the little Woyo village on the Congo coast with me one evening he clearly sang and presented the gospel with the Sango Malamu trio. I loved his entrepreneurial spirit - from establishing a musical group and ministry, to a recording studio, to radio stations, Jim was always thinking outside the box of new ways in his context to present the Good News. Thousands today are in the kingdom because of Jim and Dawn's ministry in Africa. Even today in my office in Calgary, I will often be listening over the web to Radio Bonne Nouvelle coming out of Libreville, Gabon. Jim set that up. Once I started reading this book, it was hard to put it down!

Click on image to order <http://www.lulu.com/shop/james-r-sawatsky/some-called-him-maverick-memoirs-of-33-years-in-africa/paperback/product-23537650.html>

VIDEO TO WATCH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0p0plbl-tws>

An acapella praise song with Jim and Congolese singers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFhktJrtqE4>

The Jesus film in the local Kikongo language brought thousands to Jesus:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9v1qW3Rv3c8&t=1962s>

FACT TO KNOW

The Congo Alliance has 700 churches with 675 ordained pastors and 1,500,000 members