

Report Kenya (Mombasa area)

The ministry work at the Bible center has been great, thus meeting different people and youths who come for our Christian literature, books and tracts. All the local brothers here work together for the smooth running of the Bible center.

There have been gospel tract distributions in schools, marketplaces, and other institutions. Using the van, it has been so easy to reach different markets from very far places. Despite the pandemic God is faithful, enabling us to reach out to many. There have been responses to many by either emailing us, letters from the post office, some calling and others coming in person.



We do reach many pupils and students in Mombasa and Kwale county. It has been a blessing; the more you minister to them, the more they learn from God's Word.

Twice a week we minister to < a primary school and a secondary school, mostly on Fridays and Thursdays. On Saturday afternoon we often minister on marketplaces or other institutions.

At primary school the pupils are grouped in three categories. The upper grade— from grade 5 to grade 8—the lower group—from grade 1 to grade 4—while the last group is the preschoolers' children aged 4-5 years. This year we gave the pupils the booklet *The great God and your little heart*.

The secondary school mission is doing well for now; we have more than six schools to minister to. We hope that for next year the number shall rise. Because of the pandemic, we were not allowed to minister in schools. We have witnessed at bible center, primary, secondary and marketplaces and many people came to know and accept the Lord Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

We have provided the pupils with masks, sanitizer and Christian literature. For instance, in Shika-adabu and Mrima secondary schools we provided them also with *The Christian Explorer* and always explain the teachers how they can use *The Christian Explorer* > for their Bible studies. Most of the teachers and students are very thankful for the work in evangelism. Because of this, teacher Wamba, who is a great friend of ours in mission to schools and other institutions, has introduced and taken us to some secondary schools close by and as far away as Kwale county.



In Kenya there is "Christian Union" teams of believers, mostly teachers, allowed by the government to share the Word of God in schools. We had talks with some of the leaders in Mombasa. They had been receiving our Christian literature and found them to be good and a spiritual aid.

They are glad that the Good Seed daily devotional can be downloaded from the Google Play store. This will help to get our literature to many students in Kenya.

Here are some prayer requests:

- Bibles for the pupils and students
- God's help in continuing the Bible studies and Bible courses
- Open doors to reach many people and students

We thank you for your prayers and support as we continue trusting in God.

Yours in Christ,

Richard Owino.

Report West-Uganda

We are thankful to the Lord who opens a door where there seems to be no way. With the outbreak of the COVID19 pandemic and all its related negative effects, the Lord has always given us the opportunities to serve Him. From the lockdown to difficulties in planning travels due to COVID19 restrictions, we can happily say the Lord made everything successful. Each day we continue to learn that with Him all things are possible, hence we bow down in worship.

Gospel outreach / visits

In the last few years, the Lord has always been giving us opportunities to make the necessary visits to both new groups and assemblies in different places / villages. This was being done despite of lockdowns and many travel restrictions. We also continued to use mobile phones and internet means to keep in contact with them when traveling was not possible.

As the work is growing and the demands for visits grow, we are creating more groups for Bible studies in both the old and new villages we visit. These Bible studies help us to meet more people and in organised groups which makes it easy in teaching and literature distribution. We have formed them in the following places: Bigando, Kyenjonjo, Fortportal, Bunyangabu, Bigando, Kasese town, Burandi-Mahango, Katooke-Bugoye, Kyanduli, Mpondwe, Katunguru, Ntungamo, Rukungiri, Isingiro, Katwe, Kisololo, and a few other places.



Bible studies

With the Lord's providence, we were able to hold again our usual end of year holiday Bible studies in four places, namely Bundibugyo-Burandi, Kasese town at the Bible Center, Mpondwe and Isingiro in the south-west of Uganda. Because the government had started easing the travel restrictions, all these visits were made possible.

a) Bundibugyo-Burondo: Here in this place, its over fifteen years when we have been organising such Bible studies which have proven to be fruitful. Participants came from the nearby villages in Burondo and some as far as Bundibugyo town. We had Bible studies on the foundation teachings, especially sin and



salvation, as well as eternal security. After the Bible studies, sisters Scovia and Jennifer joined us in gospel tract distribution at the town of Burondo and at the football pitch where boys had also gone to have fun and play time.

b) Kasese Bible center: Having a Bible center in this town helps much when it comes to a place to get our Christian literature. During the holiday Bible studies this year, we had invited all the regular visitors to the Bible center and all the interested people. Some students (who were on a COVID19 holiday) were able to attend. Bible courses were marked and revision made, as well as answering the difficult questions

which had failed them. Gospel tracts were given and each participant received a copy from the copies which were available.

c) Isingiro / Kabuyanda: this is the second newest place for us to have this kind of Bible studies in South West Uganda after Rukungiri. The work started here by brothers Winterson and Frank who had attended many Bible studies and conferences in Mpondwe. Our 50+ invitations which we had sent out were responded positively. Six 'pastors' from Pentecostal churches had also attended at the invitation of brother Frank. We had teachings about foundational truths and several questions were asked by the participants. Literature was distributed specifically *The Christian Explorer* magazine, the *Beautiful Africa Calendar 2022* and *The Good seed* calendars for 2022. Many participants here asked us to continue visiting them, and some even asked us to visit their schools when schools are opening again. We are thankful to the Lord for the new contacts created here and pray that the Lord enables us to make follow ups.



d) Mpondwe / Bwera: Here, this time we became selective in sending out invitations as they went out only to believers because the topic (the church) was very much for believers. Participants came from Kasese, Mairukumi, Kyanduli and Mpondwe area. Interestingly these came with their families and this made everyone happy that we had a good time together as Christian families to study the Word of God. The sisters involved in HIV/AIDS sensitisation held separate discussions with young sisters who had attended these two-day Bible studies, as this gave them the opportunity to meet them.

Prayer requests

- Please pray for us that we may be encouraged to do the work the Lord has entrusted to us and always be made ready to be occupied with His work.
- Pray that the Lord sends more labourers in the field, because the work is growing yet labourers are few.
- Pray for the Lord's providence that we can be able to meet and visit more groups.
- We have on our workplan a list of three primary schools, four secondary schools, three institutions / colleges and many other places to visit, please pray for these planned visits.

Finally, we are thankful to the Lord for everything including the good contact with brethren both locally and overseas, who have been there to send us any kind of help whenever needed.

Yours in our soon coming Lord,

- Thembo Festo
- Muhindo Julius
- Kayumbu Dario
- Mbusa Silas

