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Dear supporting Pastors and churches,

Our vision focuses on three primary goals: guiding individuals to salvation, grounding them in Biblical truth, and identifying potential leaders for ministry. We have seen several students (including a pastor) come to salvation. Other students are using our curriculum to start evangelistic Bible studies and discipleship groups. We have already seen several doors opened this year, and the number keeps growing. Through our contacts, we also assist missionaries on the field. We recently passed on an interesting Italian contact, over 20 Fijian contacts, and dozens of Ghanaian contacts to missionaries.

Africa Trip



In September, I remained behind to handle administration while Bro. Lange traveled to East Africa with Missionary Anthony Diaz to put this into further practice. The results were surprising. Despite Kenya's relatively stable political climate and its established Baptist presence since the 1950s, they found Uganda to be more receptive. Bro. Lange and Anthony observed a "softness" in the Ugandan people's hearts, presenting a promising opportunity for church planting.

During their visit, they met with 35 men—24 in Uganda and 11 in Kenya—most of whom are pastors or aspire to become church planters. From this group, they identified 18 key men in Uganda, 7 in western Kenya, and one in Nairobi. We're now working to train them through tailored discipleship programs that will strengthen their churches and equip them to establish new congregations. I'd like to share two of their testimonies.

Pastor Markson Abura of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Napak (NE Uganda)

Markson's tribe was nomads and shepherds. In his part of Uganda, there were warring tribes. One day, a tribe attacked and killed everyone and took their animals. Markson was the lone survivor. Eventually, the government convinced the tribes to give up their guns to build homes and schools. Markson was among the first generation of this region to go to school. He joined the Church of Christ and was sent to a Bible School in Nairobi, Kenya.



When he returned home, he found he disagreed with the teachings of the church and left it. About three months later, he started a new church. He went to a former governor, and she offered her guest house for the new church to meet in for free. The first week included him and Pasquel. In the second week, it

increased to seven, and over twenty in the third week. He heard about Baptists from his schooling and called his church a Baptist church.

Benson and his wife, Linda (western Kenya)



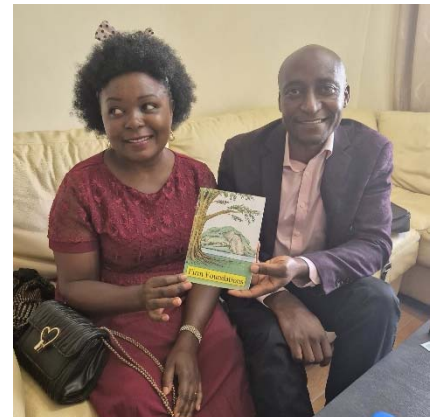
This is a beautiful picture of God's grace. Benson dropped out of primary school and joined a gang from 2006 to 2009. He was a thief. There were 5 guys in the gang. In one year, two men died, and one went to jail. The local citizens hunted him down and beat him badly. He should have died. While recovering, he thought, "What if I had lost my life?" That led him to think, "What if I had lost eternal life?" He went to a church where the pastor taught from John 3:16 and was saved that day.

Linda's father died when she was one year old. At three years old, her mother died, and she became homeless. She lived and survived on the street. In her late teens, she met Benson. He saw her industrious character and thought she would make a good wife. He paid for her to learn how to sew and now she has a business making curtains. In time, they were married and had 3 children. He knows sign language and would like to take our material and record it for the deaf.

Potential Trips

We ask for continued prayer for upcoming travel. Travel is expensive: financially and physically. It takes a toll. To make the most of each trip, we schedule multiple meetings daily. This adds up on a two or three-week trip. We must carefully choose when and where we travel. We are praying about going to some South Pacific islands, including Papua New Guinea and East Timor, where a potential opportunity is developing. There are also opportunities in India, Bhutan, and Bangladesh, and some interesting developments happening in parts of northern and Eastern Europe as well.

Please pray for health and discernment in the Lord's timing as we move forward in this ministry. Thank you for your continued support that allows us to remain active in winning souls and training men on the foreign field.



In His Service,

Rob Johnson