

2022 Africa Report

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1) Trip 1: February 15 – March 5 to Uganda

- Team: 4 Disciple-Makers, Pastor Patrick Mulubwa and Harry Tembo from Zambia, and Pastor William Lilakoma and Pastor Ezekiel Shehelembe from Tanzania.
- 238 Disciple-Makers were trained
- 2 key leaders identified and already working
- 7 people received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior
- 1 new Church engaged and equipped with One on One with God Disciple-Making tools
- Highlights: Story from Ibanda: On Friday as we concluded our training, and we were saying farewells to our brothers and sister, one male come forward uninvited and asked to be allowed to speak. His appearance very unkempt and dishevelled. He was allowed to address the gathering and he told a very touching and chilling story about his life. He explained that he was a member of East African international gang that was stealing and smuggling motorbikes across different countries in the region. He showed the congregation scorpion tattoos on his body which was a symbol of his gang and also a source of protection from the authorities. He went on to explain that sometime last year his gang of about 6 tried to smuggle bikes from Congo DR, but were intercepted by the military and everyone, but him were shot dead. After this incidence he wanted to stop, but did not have the power to do so. But last night his wife, who had been praying for him for a long time, invited him to go with her to the church to see and hear from some visitors from Tanzania and Zambia. He said as he listened, stories from session seven caught his attention, that of “Blood on our hands”. He said that in the “...stop, stop or you will die...”, he saw himself driving very fast to self-destruction. He tearfully concluded that he returned today to confess and ask how he could be saved. He knelt down, raised his hands up as Pastors quickly moved in to help him say the Sinner’s prayer and Glory be God, there and then he was saved.





2) Trip 2: April 23 - May 15 to Eswatini, Lesotho, South Africa

- Team: Pastor Patrick Mulubwa and Harry Tembo from Zambia
- 172 new Disciple-Makers trained
- 31 people accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!
- 20 new Eagle Leaders identified and equipped!
- 100 ordinary, and 10 study Bibles were distributed!
- 500 Students books and 250 leader guides respectively, were distributed (each Disciple-Maker was given at least 2 extra students books to start discipling others!)
- Highlights: On Sunday 24 April as we were taking a walk in the neighbourhood of Matimposo village, we met the Chief of the Village, who was interested to know the purpose of our visit. We explained that we were Missionaries conducting disciple-making training. He asked a number of questions about the Bible, God and Jesus Christ, which we managed to answer. He was very happy that we were in his village with such good news. Before we parted company, he wanted to know where we were staying, which we indicated to him. Early morning on Tuesday we were woken up and informed that the Chief wanted to see us. We sat with him in our room for close to an hour, and after further Bible discussions, he asked if he could be helped to receive Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour. Glory Alleluia! The Chief was saved! From that day he also attended the Disciple-Making training.





3) Trip 3: June 24 – July 12 – Kenya, South Sudan

- Team: Pastor William Lilakoma, Tanzania, Pastor Patrick Mulubwa, Zambia, and Harry Tembo, Zambia
- 62 new Disciple-Makers trained
- 35 people accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!
- Highlights: On the first day, as we were discussing and meditation on the session, “The verse that brought peace”, one young girl responded by saying that she had just realised that she was not saved and wanted to be. During our lunch time break I talked to my colleagues about the girl’s request, and we prayed that God could allow more to open their hearts to salvation. However, we could not continue for our afternoon sessions because there was a sudden down pour of heavy rain. We were somehow disappointed because we felt that we had lost time, but hardly did we know that God was preparing for something greater! It was rare during this time to have rain, and besides this is a semi-desert area. The following day during our plenary, Pastor Patrick did a short revision of the “Verse that brought peace”, and 12 people responded to the call. Without wasting time, a decision was made to baptise the new converts. It was then that we realised why God brought the rain, because despite the water subsiding, enough water was conveniently retained in a gulley just outside our training venue. It was rare for the rains to fall during this period, and there had not been enough rain for the last two years to produce a harvest.



4) Trip 4: August 22 – September 5 – Namibia, Angola

- Team: Pastor Moses Musukubili and Pastor Benjamin Limbo from Namibia, and Pastor Patrick Mulubwa and Harry Tembo, Zambia
- 163 believers trained as disciple-makers
- 11 new believers baptized as a direct response to the evangelistic part of the training
- 5 Eagle Leaders identified and commissioned
- Highlights: Our plan was to only use Rundu as a transit town into the Angolan town of Calai. However, it turned out that our plan was not God's plan because we had a "Macedonian cry" and we lingered there for a few days training yet another team of disciple-makers from within Rundu. Here we used both the English and the Portuguese translation of the One on One With God books. Pastor.... The Chairperson for the Rundu Pastors Fellowship, and his team insisted that churches in their town were also in great need for the disciple making training. Despite being an unplanned training event, 67 people came to attend the training for 4 days.



5) Trip 5: October 8 – 22 – Burundi, South Sudan

- Team: Pastor Joram William Lilakoma from Tanzania, and Pastor Patrick Mulubwa and Harry Tembo, Zambia
- Total number Disciple-Makers trained – 98
- Total number of new believers – 97
- Highlights: We travelled by road to Gitega, Burundi, about 4 hours' drive from Bunjumbura. We arrived in the city in the evenings. Our team was received by Pastor Gabriel Nduwimana of Bethany Church. The following day Monday 10 October we started our training. We were amazed at the number of people that showed up, because we had asked Pastor Gabriel to give us 30 potential disciple-makers, but it so happened that the whole village wanted to come. It was then agreed that we would give books to potential disciple makers and the rest could just sit in and listen. We had to train 50 Disciple-Makers, who were to train other Disciple-Makers. Every evening we showed the Jesus Film which attracted large gatherings of which many were hearing the Good News for the first time. 61 people accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!





6) Trip 6: November 9 – 25 – Kome & Maisome Islands on Lake Victoria

- Team: Harry Tembo, Pastor Patrick Mulubwa, and Pastor Iwell Phiri from Zambia, and Pastor Ezekiel Shehelembe, and Leonard Mujuni from Tanzania.
- Disciple-Makers Trained:
 - Kome – 52
 - Maisome – 34
- Churches planted: 1
- Number of Jesus Film kits donated: 1
- Number of new believers responding to the call after watching Jesus Film: 42
- Number of Swahili Bibles donated: 50
- Highlights: This was our second and a follow-up trip to the Island. We were delighted to reunite with the Disciple-Makers we trained in 2016. We were also happy to learn of the good work and the obedience of these Disciple-Makers in that they continued to lead and training believers as disciple-makers. Their work has had a multiplier effect as their work has reached other Islands on the Lake. It was also very encouraging to learn that a new Church was planted in 2018 by a team of Disciple-Makers on Makova Island. This Church which started with 8 members now has 60+. It is for this reason that we thought of equipping these Disciple-Makers with the Jesus Film Kit which we gladly donated so that it could be shared by nearby Islands as well. It is our prayer that many will come to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, and that many Disciple-Making Church would be planted as well.

