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1 Corinthians 12:31
... and yet shew I unto you
a more excellent way.

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Greetings in Christ! Please receive greetings from our Brothers and Sisters in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Sierra Leone, Zimbabwe and South Africa.

We express gratitude, knowing we are still in the Dispensation of Grace and the official declaration of God is currently "Grace and Peace"! The understanding that we escape the wrath to come and not appointed unto it, brings hope and peace. We sure do look forward, whether we wake or sleep, for Christ Jesus our Lord from heaven to catch us away!

1 Thessalonians 1:10 (KJV) And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

1 Thessalonians 5:9-10 (KJV) For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

Titus 2:13 (KJV) Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

As God is still dispensing "grace and peace" with the gospel of His grace being preached, we give thanks that we can still testify of people believing and trusting the good news of the finished work of Christ. In a previous newsletter, we shared how John, an ex-Rastafarian got saved when pastor Titus shared with him the gospel. In February, we (Des, Zjaan, Matthew and April) had the privilege of hearing testimony that John in turn shared the gospel with another Rastafarian by the name of Samuel. He too got saved. John and Samuel invited a friend, who used to walk with them, to the meeting we had in Itugururu. He came to the meeting and received the truth with readiness of mind. Titus now has taken John in as a son, who now works with him.

At the same meeting, we heard folks of the Akurino Sect or Holy Ghost Church of East Africa testify how they got saved, have come to the knowledge of the truth and



converted to the message of God's grace! The sect incorporates some aspects of Christianity with those of traditional Kikuyu religious beliefs and are deep seated in the law. Jacob, his wife Beatrice, mother Josphine, Jerusa, Margeret and others attending the meeting, testified how thankful they are to be standing in Grace! We are so thankful for the faithful in Christ Jesus in these regions who love the truth of God's word rightly divided and who love others to share with them the good news of the gospel of Christ!

1 Thessalonians 1:6-8 ... So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia. For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.

February 2025 – Kenya Visit

Matthew and April Hawley, with Zjaan and I spent two weeks in Kenya teaching at a leaders' conference and visiting various local churches. We are so thankful to all who have been supporting Graceway financially, in prayers and encouragement, without which this trip would not have been possible. As always, we were enriched and edified by the work of faith, labour of love and patience of hope that the Saints in Kenya demonstrated.

Our purpose was to encourage the Believers and especially the faithful in Christ.

2 Timothy 2:2
And the things that
thou hast heard of me
among many witnesses,
the same commit
thou to faithful
men, who
shall be able
to teach
others
also.



Titus & John



2 Timothy 2:2

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Leaders Conference

We returned to the U.S. being edified by them, as we saw God's word working in their lives and received many great testimonies of how the truth is spread in Kenya and other regions like Uganda and Tanzania.

The conference was for 3 full days where over fifty leaders from Central and Western Kenya attended. There was also a group from Uganda and some from Tanzania. The mission financially sponsored this conference and made it possible for everyone to travel, to stay and eat at the conference. The reports we received, post-conference were all positive, except a complaint from all that they wanted more time. Many from other regions said they would love to have attended, but we could facilitate only a limited amount. In future years we will plan to have several conferences, in various regions, so we can facilitate as many as possible.

Brother Matt and I did all the teaching sessions, covering the two-fold purpose and overview of the Bible, the rapture and 2nd coming, leadership and role of the local church, Paul's exhortations to the Ephesian elders, the Lord's supper, etc. Following the teaching sessions each day we had time for Q&A and had great interaction to obtain clarity of God's word rightly divided. Overall, we were encouraged by the understanding these brothers and sisters have of God's word rightly divided. A few folks attended that were new to the doctrine we teach, but were excited to learn and make sense of the truth of God's word.

Both Zjaan and April spent time teaching the women while Matthew and I spent time with the men. April and Zjaan taught the children's Sunday school at the Mufu (Simon & Caroline) and Karurumo (Peter & Agnus) churches. The children were very excited, engaging, and it was wonderful to hear them quoting Bible verses and singing songs.

Visiting Local churches in Kenya

Besides the conference, we visited various local churches of the leaders. Each daily travel time ranged from 45 minutes to 2 hours. At each of the churches many visitors attended, and we were asked to teach on various subjects, providing time for Q&A as well. Subjects like salvation by faith, sign gifts, the grace walk, positional stand of the believer, law verses grace, the mystery, financial giving were suggested, as many in the local churches needed clarity on how to deal with these subjects. We were overwhelmingly welcomed and made to feel at home. The greatest problem we encountered was that we did not have enough time with the numerous church groups. Our prayer is that in the future we will be able to extend our visits to spend more personal time with the churches. Many from other regions wanted us to visit them as well, but there was not enough time as they are widespread.



Four Churches started by Bro. Titus since 2018

Titus/Mercy (Kandega Church)
Jospeter/Binyse (Kabanda Church)
Francis/Ined (Ngiguru Church)
Eric and Micheni (Rubate Bible Class)

Kenya – Women & Children Report by Ziaan Strydom

The children's ministry is thriving at 14 churches in Kenya. The plan to provide teaching material has come to fruition. The curriculum consists of lessons provided by Shorewood Bible Church, compiled by Cynthia Jordan in conjunction with the "Book of Books" lessons written by Lori Verstegen.

1. The Book of Books - Old Testament (Ages 6-8)
2. The Book of Books - New Testament (Ages 6-8)
3. The Old Testament & the New Testament (Ages 3-5)

They will be printed there, and distributed as needed. In addition, funds specified for the children were sent to purchase a large supply of stationery and other materials. The teachers and children alike are very appreciative. They say "Ashante -Thanks to the Lord for the saints who stand with the work of God in Kenya."

Upcoming Youth Conferences are in August and December.

The women's ministry is strong. They fellowship around God's word monthly and love to come together to encourage one another. Please keep Caroline and her team in prayer as they co-ordinate the ministries for the women and children.

New Project – Graceway Eastern Kenya Training Centre

On our recent trip we rented a Church of God facility that provided sleeping areas for the conference attendees and a meeting place where we taught throughout the day. As our mission focus in Kenya is to train faithful men to teach others, we have come to the realization that Graceway in Kenya could profit from a facility that can provide accommodation, meals and the school to teach these men and women! We could have folks travel to a central location, stay there while they are taught our curriculum classes. We are in the process of looking for a 1-2 acres piece of land or an already established property. With the strength of the US Dollar against the Kenyan Shilling, this is very affordable.

To further help the work in establishing local churches in Kenya, we decided to form "Graceway Eastern Kenya Ministries". The reason being, no local church can function without being registered with the Kenyan government. Some of our newly established churches have been registered with "Pentecostal" organizations just to be able to have a local church.

Letter from Simon.

Dear Beloved Brother Des,

Grace, Peace and Mercy from God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and all yours. Many thanksgiving to God for all that he has done in you and through you. Through your input and desire to see souls saved and come to the knowledge of the truth; the ministry in Kenya is doing well and growing, to the glory of God our Saviour. We absolutely appreciate your visit, teachings and your tireless sacrifice in order to establish us in the word of grace. Thank you. 1 Cor. 4:1-2. We are excited to be entrusted with the glorious gospel committed to Apostle Paul and from Paul to you and others and to us, hence 2 Timothy 2:2 becomes a reality.

Thanks for the Grace Way bible School for Africa, Laptops, Charts and prayers for this ministry. We were gladly anticipating for the school.

2025 Conference was of great value to us and the ministry. The advantages outweighed the disadvantages and were truly blessed and edified. The Conference profited many and to us it was very successful, we received rich stuff full of grace and knowledge, and edification was evident as brothers and sisters testified. We learned alot from you, Mathew and wives even from the message you ministered to us: more to be desired than gold Psalms 19:6-10

Many prospects and invitations to teach the message, and others willing to come back and study more e.g, the Lady from Naivasha is willing to sit down in class and be taught the word of truth and Pastor Mark.

Joy and gladness for understanding the truth

Again thanks and as a Father to a son I really appreciate you and all yours. Greet Mathew and the believers for us.

IN CHRIST ALONE, EPHESIANS 3NINE, SIMON



Sunday School - Mufu



Conference Women's Meeting

Zambia – Brothers Goldben and Charles in each of their locations, with their faithful in Christ, are standing firm on the truth and are seeing the word of God spreading in Zambia. We receive good reports and testimonies. Brother Goldben continues to teach a couple times a week on the radio, and many are reached and contact him to discuss the teachings. Overall, he is receiving great reports, and many are encouraged to learn the truth. As they say, “we have never heard this message in our churches” and “why is no one teaching it”. Truly, we are thankful to say, we have faithful Believers in Zambia who are teaching Paul’s my gospel and Jesus Christ according to the revelation of the mystery!

Brother Charles continues at his local church and at the Mumbwa church (we shared about this church in a previous newsletter). Charles recently also re-started the GSB program and has 8-10 leaders from other churches attending these classes.

We feed all online contacts to brother Goldben, who follows up how we can help them to be established in the truth. Recently, we received a request, via a church in the USA, from a deaf preacher (Churchill) who has a ministry with deaf people in Kitwe. While visiting Lusaka he met up with brother Goldben and their communication was very fruitful. Goldben is sharing the written materials (supplied by us) with Churchill, and I have received positive reports from him.



Uganda – Brother Moses and Irene (wife) with brothers Zakariah, Daniel, Johnstone, Noah and Wilbur travelled from Uganda to be at the conference. There are wonderful opportunities in Uganda and these brethren have and are speaking to many pastors and others about God’s word rightly divided, with a special emphasis on the Gospel of God’s grace. We regularly get reports of the work going on there. Moses and Noah have been requested to go back to many churches to discuss and teach the doctrine which has not been preached in these areas. The brethren are struggling to make ends meet (not many secular jobs) and finding enough time to go and meet with churches. Brother Moses has an open invite to go teach the grace gospel at high schools. Please continue to remember Uganda and the

faithful in Christ in your prayers. We do provide financial support for ministry needs (printing, tracts, Bibles, travelling etc.) but as the ministry is growing these needs grow as well.

South Africa – As always, it was great to see our family who are all still living in South Africa. We got to preach at Grace Now Ministries, South Africa and Grace Church Port Elizabeth (Pastor Aydn Wilson). We also met during the week discussing the work of the ministry forward and Bible doctrines. Both churches are doing well and continue to hold forth the word of life! Please continue to remember these ministries in your prayers. There are also many GSB students in South Africa who have embraced the Word of truth rightly divided and have great understanding of it!



How your support is used.

- ✓ Monthly stipend to our leaders.
- ✓ Printing equipment and materials.
- ✓ Study books and handouts.
- ✓ KJV Bibles
- ✓ Motorcycles for the leaders.
- ✓ Travel expenses.
- ✓ Local tracts and chart production.
- ✓ Sunday School Materials
- ✓ Women’s ministry materials.
- ✓ Local Administrative cost.

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Your continued prayers are needed as we seek wisdom and prudence to the edification and establishment of the Saints in Africa. We need to spend more time and resources to meet the needs of this growing work.

Thanking God our Father by Jesus Christ our Lord for you.
Des & Zjaan Strydom