

PRAY FOR KEITH & PRISCILLA UNDERHILL
TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH, NAIROBI, KENYA

“Pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honoured” (2 Thess. 3:1, ESV)

2014, No.13 (20/11/14)

Dear Brethren

Thank you to those who have been praying especially for **Priscilla**, and those of you who have written to me encouragingly and telling me you are praying. She is doing quite well, gradually regaining her faculty of speech and being helped by therapy. Lord willing I am soon joining her, leaving Nairobi on Friday, spending the long weekend in Liverpool with Deborah and Matthew, and then going on to Lorain, Ohio on Tuesday 25th November. She has the next Consultant’s appointment on 8th December and then we shall know if she is stable enough to travel back with me to Liverpool, scheduled for 16th December. She may not feel up to it even if given the go ahead. If all goes well I have booked to return to Kenya on 8th January. But at this point we have to learn more than ever to take one day at a time, and simply commit our way to the Lord. I have been using Skype to talk with Priscilla, but she quickly gets tired with the effort of trying to speak what she thinks.

The Lord has seen me through the very busy times here and now I am getting ready to leave. There is such a swell of affection towards dear Priscilla here; she is sorely missed by people she has been with for decades. One young lady who has applied to be a member remembers her as her Sunday School teacher when her family lived in the area. Many of the older ladies crowded into the office after the afternoon service hoping to get an opportunity to say something to her on Skype but it did not work out.

Joy & Nelli were baptized and were formally welcomed into membership at the Lord’s Supper on 9th November. They represent those who come into TBC attracted by its Biblical preaching. But despite having claimed to ‘be saved’ and having been involved in ‘ministry’ they found themselves without a genuine salvation as evidenced by their sinful lifestyle. We are so thankful to God for His saving mercy upon such.



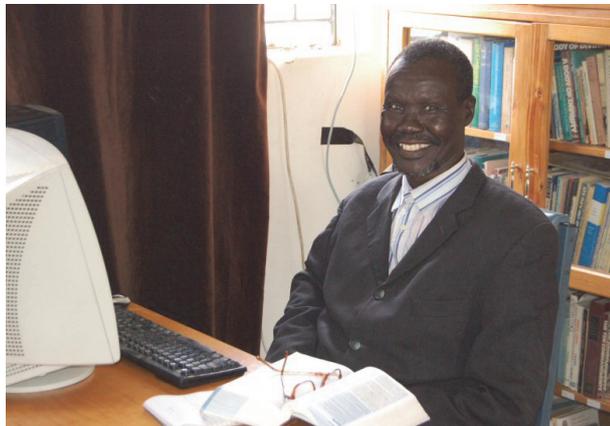
The **PTC** students came 5th to 12th November and we had a very spiritually profitable time on the subject of Pastoral Theology. As I sought to emphasize the priority of preaching, and preaching in one’s own local church instead of travelling widely, this became very convicting to them as they like to move around. We discussed much from the Scriptures about using the Bible in public praying, administering the ordinances, and conducting weddings and funerals. The latter are so important here, and we decided this may be so because people do not want to take the chance of being cursed by the spirit of the dead. Then we went on to how to counsel those with problems, and direct dealing is not something the average Kenyan finds easy.



We came to the end of another year of the PTC on 12th November. Over lunch we had the usual farewell speeches for the 2 who have completed all the lectures in Nairobi. **Barnabas Olare** (left) is from Mombasa (see 2014, No. 10). He movingly told us that if one met him now apart from his face he would be totally unrecognizable from 3 years ago! The Lord has changed him from being a preacher of Prosperity to Doctrines of Grace.

Dominic Ndung'u (right) is a member of TBC Nairobi, and has been a ministry Intern for the past 2 years. He is particularly interested in working among children and youth and is taking charge of the forthcoming High School Camp and VBS.

Please pray for **David Awan Malek**, a Pastor with the Trinity Baptist Church of South Sudan, centred in Malakal. This is the area that has been so devastated by the present civil war, with whole towns being destroyed, Malakal, Balliet, Adong, Gelachol, etc. These were places that I visited in 2010 and 2012, and some church leaders and members have been killed. Most people are now living in refugee camps. David plans to be with us for the next 2 months to study theology, to better his English, to learn how TBC Kenya functions, and to look after some health concerns. Pray for this country that claims to be Christian but needs the Biblical gospel. Pray for someone willing to go there to help them.



Please pray for my fellow pastor, **Murungi Igweta**, as the full responsibility of ministry will be upon him in these coming weeks. On 30th November the members will voting to receive Eric Abwao Omondi into the eldership. Sadly I will not be present, but it will be a further good test for the members and their desire to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

In Christ's service,

Keith Underhill

(Previous newsletters may be found at www.trinitybaptistkenya.org)

P.O. Box 57907, 00200 Nairobi, Kenya
+254-20-2095239 (wireless 'land' line)
+254-716-755782 (mobile Keith)
+254-734-661170 (mobile Keith)
+254-734-929460 (mobile Priscilla)

www.trinitybaptistkenya.org
kunderhill@rocketmail.com

Please note that my email address kunderhill@mef.or.ke will no longer be in use after the end of 2014, so please always use kunderhill@rocketmail.com from now onwards. Thank you.