

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)*

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Dear Brethren,

After 40 years Priscilla and I have returned to the land of my birth and we have taken up residence in Liverpool. We have a house here and it is the town where Deborah and her 2 children live, as well as Matthew. There is the Belvidere Road church that we know well of which we want to be a part. We are thankful to God to have arrived well after some hectic weeks in Kenya preparing to leave.

The move is not intended to be retirement but rather ‘redeployment’. In fact the Nairobi Elders asked me to stay on as an Elder with them, to which I have agreed, and we will have meetings by Skype, as well as many emails. How different is communication than when I first went to Kenya in 1968! So I will have some involvement in the church from a distance; I plan to visit Kenya at least twice a year (if invited); I hope to do much more writing; and I will of course represent the work in Kenya for TRAIN by visiting interested churches. The immediate plans are to return in January for the 8 days of PTC on the Old Testament Prophets. Then to go back in March, again for the PTC, but to stay around 6 weeks, and to visit Pokot North and Rendille.

**TBC Nairobi**

(1) *Deacons*. On our last Sunday 2 Deacons were added (the two tallest), making a total of 7. Like the Elders, they have a lot of responsibility as the work is far wider than just the church in Nairobi. There are many needs in the other churches – sickness amongst church leaders, school fees for their children, need for purchase of land and putting up church buildings, supporting missionaries. We find our resources are limited so much wisdom is needed.



(2) *Elders*. 3 men form the Eldership. Murungi Igweta and I have worked together for the past few years. Eric Abwao has been an Elder for a year but also works full-time. Vincent Kajuma was set apart on 15<sup>th</sup> November, and he is also occupied with the PTC studies.



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Please pray above all for a genuine unity amongst them, and for the members to follow their leadership. They are each able preachers of the word, but with different characters. Vincent thinks things through; Eric has practical wisdom; Murungi is a gifted leader. They have much to oversee, a church of more than 90 members, a Pastoral Theological Course, and scores of churches operating under our registration.

### (3) High School Camp



On the day we left Nairobi the High School Camp started with 50 teenagers from churches in various parts of the country. We judge this to be a vital ministry, longing to see these young people truly converted. There is a massive charismatic influence in their schools and so many fall away a short time after leaving school and facing the real world.

### (4) The last Sunday (22/11).

It was a low key affair, the official farewell having taken place a few weeks earlier. The auditorium was full to hear Pastor Eric preach from Matthew 16:24-28 on 'The Paradox of Winning By Losing'. It was a clear call to genuine Christian discipleship.

I preached on Isaiah 53:7-9 for the evening service, and then there was the 'tea plot' in Pastor Eric's house until 8 p.m. with at least 20 young people gathered, where I was asked some questions. They cannot get enough!



This will be the last letter to be sent out through my name's-sake Keith Weber. We became Christians while in College in Aberystwyth together in the mid-1960s. So please let **me** know if you want to continue to receive information for prayer directly (if you do not respond then we will assume you would rather not). [kunderhill@digitalsavannah.co.uk](mailto:kunderhill@digitalsavannah.co.uk) remains my email. Our postal address is 27 Inwood Road, Liverpool L19 6QA. Our land line is (+44) 0151-222-3749, and I hope to add a mobile number later. I intend to start regularly updating my website [www.trinitybaptistkenya.org](http://www.trinitybaptistkenya.org). You can also go to the church's website at [www.trinity.or.ke](http://www.trinity.or.ke), and to that of the charity in UK [www.trainkenya.com](http://www.trainkenya.com). The ministry at TBC Nairobi is uploaded to YouTube then you may search under [trinity.or.ke](http://trinity.or.ke).

May we take this opportunity to most sincerely thank you for your prayerful and financial support over these past 40 years without which we could not have stayed in Kenya to minister the living word of God.

In Christ's service,

**Keith & Priscilla Underhill**

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