24 Monday David Ngetich continues with the church planting efforts in **Kericho**. They were not able to meet in July but evangelistic efforts continued. WhatsApp has been a useful tool in keeping in touch with the people with whom he has established contact.

25 Tuesday (1) AO and the Grace & Truth Radio continues to reach out to the S0mal1s. We thank God for his faithful labours there over these many years. (2) We thank God for Addis Baptist Church and their Gedion Agzew. There were plans for him to come to Nairobi before the end of the year as a way of building close fellowship.

26 Wednesday The APC directors have requested MI to join them. There are major decisions and developments to be made with the passing on of Irving Steggles. This vast ministry in the African continent is important for reaching out to church leaders and equipping them to be faithful witnesses and good undershepherds of the church.

27 Thursday The **Prayer Meeting** on Zoom takes place every Thursday at 7.00 p.m. Many members and non-members (sometimes even KU and members who are out of the country) have logged in for both fellowship and prayer. We have been looking at the 5<sup>th</sup>. book of Psalms before a time of corporate prayer.

The brethren in **Rendille** continue to work hard as heralds of the cross. Please pray for them not to be tired or discouraged by the small outward spiritual response, but to remain faithful and steadfast in proclaiming the gospel to young and old, men and women. The seed is being sown and will bear fruit!

29 Saturday MI will be going on leave the whole month of September, hopefully to be refreshed and so be more useful. Please pray for EA and DK as they bear the responsibility of both public and private ministry in his absence.

30 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) Nairobi MI is preaching in the morning when he hopes to draw to a close the journey through the letter to the Hebrews which has had over 70 sermons! EA is preaching in the afternoon from the book of Amos. (2) KU is preaching again in the morning7 at Ashton Baptist Church (see 16).

31 Monday We thank God for each of the brothers and sisters who pray for us and praise the Lord who has given them this love. Having prayer partners is so vital in the work of gospel, since nothing can be accomplished without God's favour. May the Lord hear the prayers of His people.

DK = Dominic Kabaria, EA = Eric Abwao, MI = Murungi Igweta (Pastors of TBC Nairobi) KU = Keith Underhill (Liverpool, UK)

TBC = Trinity Baptist Church; TBCN = TBC Nairobi; TPC = Trinity Pastors' College

RBAK = Reformed Baptist Association of Kenya; APC = Africa Pastors' Conference

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## 'PRAY FOR KENYA' - AUGUST 2020

1 Saturday Today is the wedding of **Johan Mortensen** to Barbara in Denmark. Johan spent months with us in Kenya in 2014 and has now finished his University studies. Pray for their future, that God will lead them into fruitful fields of service. Denmark is a very needy country spiritually.

2 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) In Nairobi MI is preaching in the morning from Hebrews 13:17 and DK in the afternoon. People are now allowed to attend in person, but must be 14-58 years old. 46 attended the morning service on 19<sup>th</sup> July. (2) KU is preaching this evening for Dovecot Evangelical Church using Zoom and focussing on Conversion from 1 Thessalonians 1:8-10.

3 Monday Today MI along with Nick Teka, Yohana Mugo and Ebenezer Kimathi (all TPC students and interns) are travelling for another **Western Trip**, the first mission trip after the Covid lockdown. They are stopping by Kericho to visit David Ng'etich, who is church planting there, and going on to Osani where Daniel Ngollo ministers. Go to http://trinitybaptistkenya.org/2018/08/ for a previous trip.

4 Tuesday (1) Today MI and the team are visiting Nyakwaka, Thimlich and Wath Orango to encourage the churches there to remain faithful to the Lord. There has been unity among the four congregations and Daniel's leadership has been very fruitful. (2) KU is preaching at his home church, Belvidere Road, the next 3 Sunday mornings on Romans 8:31-39. Each will be pre-recorded this week.

5 Wednesday MI & the team are passing by Kisumu to visit **Tonny Karwa** and his family. They also hope to see **Aloice Oginga** (a TPC student and pastor in the area) and **Nathany Opany** and **Washington Gengah** who are both pastoring churches near Bondo. Then they proceed to Siaya town where the church is in great need of a settled pastor.

6 Thursday From Siaya, they move to **Funyula**, a church led by Simon Ochieng. Then they visit the church in **Bukhalalire** (Kalisto Odongo) on the way to **Mumias** (Elly Achok) and **Bungoma** (Martin Mukoyan). Go to a previous report at http://trinitybaptistkenya.org/west-kenya-february-2017, for place details.

7 Friday Issue 133 of the **Grace & Truth Magazine** came out on 24<sup>th.</sup> July and is now in circulation. One pastor who got it from our website reported that he now has a better way of spending his time instead of being on social media! May the Lord use it to be of edification to many brethren. It can be virtually obtained at https://www.trinity.or.ke/wp-content/uploads/grace-and-truth-133.pdf.

8 Saturday (1) Today MI is in **Kitale** for reconnaissance, because Nick Teka is seriously thinking of church planting in his home town after his studies and internship. (2) In addition, **Ken Mbuthia** (one of our Deacons) is visiting the parents of Esther Njeri (a member) as part of preparations for their wedding in November. MI is preaching at the event, called a 'ruracio'.

9 Sunday Ministry today: (1) In Nairobi, EA is preaching in the morning on the Beatitudes and DK in the afternoon from 1 Samuel. (2) MI is hoping to visit the church plant in Kapenguria (West Pokot). We hope that more Biblical churches will be established across the country for God's glory. May the Lord raise labourers.

10 Monday (1) MI plans to return to Nairobi today. (2) **Lock down** restrictions in Kenya have been eased. Churches are now permitted to gather with not more than 100 present, ages 14-58 only, with social distancing, and wearing masks, with temperature measured with a 'gun' on entry. So many people are excluded and the 'gun' is impossibly expensive for an average small congregation. TBCN and some others are rejoicing in the resumption of public worship.

1g1 Tuesday The **Miathene** church has many members who are over 58 and so there are few people who are able to attend the church according to the regulations. Joseph Mucheru and the other Elders have a lot of work caring for them. May the Lord give sufficient grace.

12 Wednesday The **RBAK** annual general assembly is scheduled for the first week of October in Kasei, Pokot North. Please pray for the church there to be ready and that there will good support from the other churches in the region to make it easier and successful.

13 Thursday Donald Kivungi has had to step down as the pastor of the church in **Kima** after his failed marriage. The church held a meeting on 16<sup>th.</sup> July to chart the way forward. Please pray for them to find another pastor as they desperately grapple with this turn of events and the effects of the virus, being an aged congregation.

14 Friday The first virtual **Meaty Forum** took place last month and had an impressive viewership of almost 200 logins both on YouTube and FB. Today, the forum deals with the subject of Reproductive Health from a Biblical perspective. This is in light of a bill that has been tabled in the Kenyan Parliament.

15 Saturday Eric Aluvisia, one of our Deacons, and Rachel King (a member) are getting married today. EA is officiating and preaching at their wedding. Rachel's parents, who live in Maryland (USA), may be unable to attend in person because of the current restrictions. In which case we hope they can join virtually. Please pray for them as they begin their family.

16 Sunday Ministry today: (1) In Nairobi MI is preaching in both services. He will deal with the aspect of prayer for gospel ministers from Hebrews 13:18-19, while in the afternoon he continues in the book of Joshua. (2) KU is preaching in the morning at Ashton Baptist Church, see <a href="http://www.ashtonbaptist.uk">http://www.ashtonbaptist.uk</a>. This is the first time since February to preach in a worship service physically.

17 Monday We thank God for He has provided for us financially and enabled us to have support for the **pastors** who are in contact with us around the country up to the end of the year. This will enable their respective congregations to pick up after the effects of the virus have so ravaged the economy.

18 Tuesday The night Bible Study on **Revelation** — MI has had an opportunity of leading a group of Christians in studying this book. Much grace is needed since it happens so late in the night. Apart from the actual text there is the need to have good principles of interpreting the Bible and all these need to be done within an hour!

19 Wednesday The Midweek **Kiswahili** service took off on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The first three messages were on the gospel from the big texts – John 3:16, Romans 10:13 and John 1:12-13. From the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July a series on the *5 Solas* began with 'Scripture Alone' taken from 2 Peter 1:16-21. There has been good feedback from those who have participated and our prayer is that the Lord may use it to draw his elect to Christ. An average of 50 people participate each week at 7.00 p.m.

20 Thursday **Reformation Hub** is a ministry of TBC which is a guide to solid Christian resources and books. It seeks to make biblical churches known in the country as well as having podcasts to articulate the gospel. It is now opening a bookstore at TBC which will make lots of books available at a very discounted rate. See https://reformationhub.or.ke.

21 Friday The **TPC** classes in July took place in a different way. Ryan Devine put a website together with other lecturers, mostly Robert Elliott, and joined up with the students at 16.00 hrs. via Zoom link. Most of the students were able to participate in the study of Church History from the Puritan era onwards.

22 Saturday In **Kasarani** (Nairobi) John Mutangili continues to lead the church. This is in addition to caring for the children at the Rescue Centre who are the majority of attendees. This is where the church also meets. Our prayer is that many of these children may be saved. May the Word preached Word be fruitful.

23 Sunday **Ministry** today: MI is preaching in both services, first with the beautiful words of benediction in Hebrews 13:20-21 in the morning. Then he is preaching in the afternoon from the book of Joshua, which he has been taking one chapter at a time.