

'PRAY FOR KENYA' - APRIL 2021

25 Sunday Ministry: EA concludes his SS class on the legitimacy & limits of the civil magistrate from the 1689 LBCF. DK will preach in the morning while EA will preach in the afternoon (Revelation 20:6). We also gather virtually in the evenings to review the ministry of the Word and to pray in what is called 'Tea Plot.'

26 Monday (1) The Lord has been pleased to save two ladies in **Funyula** for which we praise him. Simon Ochieng' baptized them on the 28th March. (2) The church in **Bukhalalire**, under the leadership of Kalisto, is now gathering materials for the construction of their church building.

27 Tuesday (1) Remember David Ngetich as he labours towards planting a church in **Kericho** Town. (2) Grace Baptist Church, **Langata** (Nairobi) was constituted last month with 28 members under the leadership of three men, including Sam Oluoch who used to pastor GBC Kisumu. We thank God for the blessing a new biblical church in the city.

28 Wednesday (1) Martin Mukoyan continues to labour in **Bungoma** Town and continues to pray that the Lord will bring many to faith and that they would construct their church building. (2) Isaiah Juma continues to prepare for his relocation back to his home area in **Chwele** from Kasei. He has found a plot of land in Chwele Town for church meeting.

29 Thursday Joshua Sitet in Kasei is beginning the **Bible Light College** which is meant to train men for ministry in Pokot North. They are trusting the Lord to complete the construction of their building and the ablution block for things to run more smoothly. We pray that the men being trained will be used for the gospel propagation in the area.

30 Friday The Lord has been kind to us as a **church** in continuing to bring people to us with some desiring to join the church. Some of those who have been put under church discipline have made efforts to change. We thank God for answering our prayers and blessing the work of the ministry.

EA = Eric Abwao, MI = Murungi Igweta, DK = Dominic Kabaria (Pastors of TBC Nairobi);

KU = Keith Underhill (former pastor TBCN, now in Liverpool, UK)

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

RBAK = Reformed Baptist Association of Kenya

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1 Thursday The Kenyan gov't has enforced new containment measures so that TBCN is not able to gather for public worship. Nairobi and 4 other surrounding counties have been put into **lockdown** for 30 days so one cannot leave or enter the area. The 3rd wave has had higher infection and death rates and this has left the countries' health facilities, public and private, considerably strained. On the 28th of March we could only livestream our services.

2 Friday (1) The Easter **Cantata** is happening today in the afternoon. We shall spend the time singing songs related to the Passion of Christ. There will also be preaching of God's Word by Osinachi Nwoko who arrives from Nigeria this morning with his wife. (2) **KU** is preaching at the Good Friday service for the Kingston Evangelical Church in Hull over Zoom.

3 Saturday The **Passion for Missions** Conference is taking place virtually today. We aim to encourage Christians to be faithful witnesses of Christ where they are – at home, at school, at work, etc. Christ told his disciples that with the power of the Holy Spirit we should be his witnesses.

4 Sunday Ministry: EA begins a series on chapter 24 of the 1689 LBCF, on the legitimacy and limits of the civil magistracy for the SS. Osinachi will preach in the morning while MI will preach in the afternoon. We thank God for hearing our prayers regarding Osinachi's support so that he can be engaged in full-time gospel ministry.

5 Monday MI and three men from TBCN visited **Vote** TBC on 18th to 20th March. The church there is struggling with a few people leaving the church. Please pray for problems to be dealt with in a Biblical way. We also pray that this church will grow and more men will come to faith because the congregation is made up of ladies, making it impossible to train up future church leaders.

6 Tuesday We had successful **TPC** classes, with Mark Hatfield and Jonathan Oue from Grace Baptist Church, Taylors (South Carolina) teaching on the Gospels and Acts. Though there were a few difficulties, with Jonathan falling ill, and getting pre-travel Covid testing, the Lord nevertheless blessed the TPC efforts to equip the men for the work of ministry.

7 Wednesday Eric **Kahure** met with the leadership of the Christian Union at Meru University of Science and Technology last month, Tigania, and requested to be allowed to preach there regularly. The students are now on recess and we hope that when they come back next semester, the Lord will open a new door of ministry.

8 Thursday **Reformation Hub** continues to take shape both as a bookstore and literature distribution centre especially for Chapel Library publications. We particularly want to make tracts available to different churches and ministries to boost their evangelistic efforts. Please pray for Myra to wisely set up systems for this vital ministry.

9 Friday The Meaty Forum today deals with the topic of **The Christian Home**. It is going to be virtual as it is a little more difficult with the curfew hours brought to 8.00 p.m. Please pray for the panellists to know how best to handle this new hurdle.

10 Saturday The **Aluvisias** have had more challenges as their baby passed away soon after delivery. The funeral was held on Friday 26th March in the US. Please pray for them during this difficult time, that they would count it all joy, and learn endurance, character and hope since God's love has been shed abroad in their hearts.

11 Sunday **Ministry:** EA takes the SS on civil magistracy, MI preaches in the morning from Romans 3:12-18 on Total Inability, while DK takes the afternoon service and continues with the life of Samuel. We have the book-reading for children which was recorded last year that can still be used to teach children. We desire that the Lord will use these difficult times, with lots of deaths in the air, to awaken a strong desire for the things of God leading to the salvation of many.

12 Monday The **Teka's** were bereaved and had to come to Nairobi because Martha Teka's father passed away on 26th March. Please pray for the couple as they now have to deal with these difficulties of life. They are now back in Kitale continuing to soldier on with the work that God has given them.

13 Tuesday The work at **Boyani**, Kilifi county, under the leadership of George Mwanjisi, is growing steadily. More people have joined in and it was a delight for MI and the team to visit them on the 21st March. They have now cleared the road to the church plot in readiness for the delivery of construction materials for the church building.

14 Wednesday **KU** is giving an update on the ministry in Kenya to the North Preston Evangelical Church. As a trustee of the charity TRAIN(Kenya) this is one of the ways he seeks to promote the strengthening and advance of the kingdom of God in Kenya amongst RBAK Churches.

14 Thursday The Thursday **prayer meeting** is always a blessing as the church members gather to lift their voices to the Lord in prayer from 7.00-8.30 p.m. over Zoom. We pray that the Lord will hear the prayers of his people. What a blessing to be assured that God's ears are open to our prayers!

16 Friday TBCN is working towards establishing a **foodbank** to serve both members and non-members. We believe that while it is necessary to meet the material needs of the people, there is a greater need to meet them with the gospel.

17 Saturday Five TBC families were blessed with baby boys in March. We thank God who is the giver of children. A few more **babies** are on their way and so we pray that the Lord will give the mothers the much needed strength, grace and peace.

18 Sunday **Ministry:** EA teaches both in the SS (on civil magistracy) and morning service (Matthew 5:17,18). DK will preach in the afternoon. We especially pray for the conversion of souls. MI is out of public ministry for the next three weeks. He plans to spend the time working behind the scenes to put various things in order, including the publishing of KU's book on Conversion.

19 Monday Patricko Odhiambo hopes to relocate his family to **Kapenguria** 1st of April. He had to wait for a house to be completed for the family which they would be renting. In God's providence, the family that so much needed a church will be housing them. We pray the Lord will be pleased to use our brethren for the establishment of another local church in this town.

20 Tuesday We had planned two weeks of **Vacation Bible School** for children during this long holiday. But with the new containment measures we have to postpone it. We hope that the gov't will soon review these measures so that the children can be acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to make them wise for salvation.

21 Wednesday The **Kiswahili** service continues. MI completed the series on TULIP with ten sermons. He is now handling the doctrine of God. We pray that these truths will find a place in the hearts of many, especially non-English speakers and be renewed in their minds and be conformed to the likeness of Christ.

22 Thursday Stanley Musyoki is settling in well with his family at **Kima**. MI visited the family on 25th March. The church is coming to terms with the death of Francis Maundu, who served as a deacon. Stanley needs much wisdom to shepherd a fairly aged congregation.

23 Friday **AO**, in Addis Ababa, has been down with Covid-19 for a few weeks, but is greatly improving. Give thanks for this as he does have some underlying health issues. Pray for the preparation of radio programmes that the gospel in the S0mal1 language may go out far and wide to the salvation of many.

24 Saturday **Wedding** plans are underway by various TBC members. Please pray for them to win the favour of the parents. We thank God that our young people have been marrying in the Lord and have maintained sexual purity through the period of courtship. We do not take this for granted for many fall at this point.