

'PRAY FOR KENYA' - MAY 2021

23 Sunday Ministry today: Table Talk is on the individual's conscience. EA will preach in the morning (Matthew 5:19) and DK in the afternoon. We pray that physical meetings will be reinstated the soonest. The Kenyan government has been severe with their regulations making non-compliance difficult.

24 Monday South Nyanza churches continue to enjoy much of God's grace as they are very united. Wath Orango's land registration process is going ahead. There is a great need because most of these churches do not have trained church leaders.

25 Tuesday The **Boyani** church are eager to have their church building since they have burst the walls of their pastor's house! But the greatest bottle-neck is the registration of the church land in the name of the church since we do not offer aid to build in a land that does not officially belong to the church. Pray that the Lord will provide an honest surveyor and that this process will be completed soonest.

26 Wednesday (1) Please continue to pray for the work in **Katilu**, especially that the Lord may bring many sinners to faith in Christ and for the Lord of the harvest to increase his labourers for his cause to work alongside Isaac Erot. (2) Would you earnestly pray for Joshua Karani and the work he leads at **Faith Reformed Baptist** church in Nairobi over the need for more gospel workers?

27 Thursday May the Lord smile upon the prayers of his saints today as we gather over Zoom to pray. Thursday **prayer meetings** have been a source of great encouragement to prayer. Our prayer is that the Lord will increase and strengthen our prayers so that we can pray even more for His kingdom to come.

28 Friday MI is planning to **visit the US** in September to thank those who pray and financially support the work, and to encourage more interest in the gospel work as well as strengthen Christian ties. He hopes to travel with his wife Charity. They plan to attend RBNets' Annual General Assembly in Jackson, Mississippi.

29 Saturday The Kahures are seriously considering relocating to **Meru Town** to firm the desire for a new church there. Eric & Martha's ministry involvement in Miathene has been well received by the church. There is a serious concern for the church in Muthara as it greatly needs a resident pastor.

30 Sunday Ministry today: The Elders start with the Table Talk, a Q & A session on God-appointed authorities in the life of a Christian. MI preaches at both morning and afternoon services. May the Lord give him the grace to powerfully expound the Scriptures aided by the Holy Spirit so that Christ's church may be built.

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 Saturday The **Passion for Missions** Conference was disrupted by the third wave of Covid infections. The keynote speaker, Osinachi Nwoko, came but the messages were livestreamed. Over 300 views on the livestreaming platforms were recorded and after the preached messages were edited and sent out there were more online views. We pray that the Lord may kindle a new desire for the saints to faithfully bear the flaming torch of the gospel wherever the Lord has placed them.

2 Sunday Ministry today: The three Elders are doing a Table Talk, responding to various questions about the Christian view of the civil magistrate. MI preaches in the morning from Romans 3:13-18 while DK preaches in the afternoon from 1 Samuel 15 as he continues to take us through the life and ministry of Samuel. We shall premier at 2 p.m. episode 17 of the Spurgeon's Stories for Children.

3 Monday A **Pokot North** Youth Camp was held on the 21st – 24th of April at Chepkinagh. More than 110 young people attended and it was very encouraging that they listened well – may God help them to trust in Christ. There will be a Women's Conference in September at Kamketo, Lord willing. Let us pray that God will be pleased to bless the word there too.

4 Tuesday Grace & Truth 134 is on the theme of *God's creation*. We have articles from Prof. Andy McIntosh, EA and KU on the subject. In addition there are regular articles on Ephesians, the Life of David, church planting and marriage as well as some on Covid-19. The foreword of KU's new book *'Becoming a Christian'* is included. This issue will be out very soon, and can be found on the church website.

5 Wednesday May 2021 **TPC** classes begin today with Oliver Allmand-Smith teaching virtually on the Doctrine of God. We pray that the students will be able to join virtually with no problem now that Nairobi is still in lockdown and some of them are in places with poor signal and connectivity. Those students who are in Nairobi will be together in class at the TBC Nairobi premises.

6 Thursday (1) **KU** is reporting on Kenya at Pershore Evangelical Church (Zoom), as he does bi-annually. It is a small church, without its own building, but very concerned with evangelism and the spread of the gospel throughout the world, including Kenya. (2) Please continue to pray for Simon & Patrick in **Funyula** that the church may attract more people, and sinners will be saved.

7 Friday **MI** spent much of April in Miathene where he went with his family for the funeral of the father of John Muketha, one of the founding members of TBCN and a long-serving deacon. He had the opportunity to serve the church in Miathene by preaching the three Sundays, preaching in the various open-air evangelistic meetings to strengthen the church planting efforts in Meru Town with Eric Kahure, as well as the church plant in Muthara with Joshua Kairithia.

8 Saturday The Reformation Hub Bookstore has continued to take shape. **Myra** continues to faithfully work towards its establishment while still pursuing leads towards the establishment of the Crisis Pregnancy ministry. We thank God that there are many people actually buying and ordering more books, confirming the necessity of this ministry. We pray these ministries will well serve God's people.

9 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) Table Talk deals with the authority of the local church. MI resumes continues with exposition of and today he is doing Romans 3:19-20 on *Accountable to God*. EA is preaching in the afternoon from Revelation 22:7. Paul Ruhiu is hoping to preach on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to the University of Nairobi Medical School. (2) KU is preaching at Ramsbottom, Trinity Grace Church, where the TPC teacher (Oliver) is one of the pastors.

10 Monday **TPC** classes continue with Oliver teaching, while Robert Elliott of Reformed Baptist Church of Riverside California begins his lectures on the Early Church History today. We pray that the Lord will use it not only to theologially educate the minds of the men, but to train them in righteousness, that they will be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

11 Tuesday Patricko Odhiambo relocated with his family to **Kapenguria** town from Kamketo at the beginning of April and began Sunday meetings with the group that has been yearning for the establishment of a biblical church there. Though there have been a few challenges there has been a steady increase in attendance. For instance on the 25th April there were 17 attending.

12 Wednesday **TPC** classes draw to a close today. Please pray for the students to take seriously the work that they will be carrying home and work faithfully on the assignments given so that by the time they come back in July they will have studied and completed the work. Meanwhile pray for MI as he prepares to teach in July on Paul's Letters. You may also pray for those who completed their lectures to complete their assignments to graduate soonest.

13 Thursday **Books:** *Becoming A Christian* by Keith Underhill is finally in print! We pray that the accounts of conversions in the New Testament will awaken a genuine desire among sinners to be saved and ignite a desire for evangelism among the saints who read the book. His other book on *Spiritual Gifts* has been printed in the US by First Love Publishers.

14 Friday The **Meaty Forum** today focuses on the *Graces of Giving and Service*, a follow up on the theme of the Passion for Missions. There is a concern that giving and service are subjects that have been misunderstood and even abandoned by many young reformed people who don't carry the required biblical enthusiasm into their reformation. Our prayer is that the Lord will use the forum to rectify this error.

15 Saturday Please pray for Nick and Martha Teka who have been working towards beginning and establishing a reformed congregation in **Kitale** Town since January. They have been seriously considering beginning Sunday Services this month, since they are themselves 'churchless' and the group with whom they gather has expressed this desire.

16 Sunday **Ministry** today: Table Talk is on the authority of the family. DK is preaching in the morning (1 John) while EA is preaching in the afternoon on Revelation 22:14. MI planned to be in Pokot, and to have visited Teka in Kitale and Isaac Erot in Katilu, Turkana, but the lockdown has been extended for 30 more days.

17 Monday The church in Korr was greatly affected by the circumcision season so that the attendance hit the lowest and the evangelistic work to different *goobs* (villages) was hindered. But thank God that normalcy has returned and the fellowship is warmer. May we never tire of beseeching the Lord to shine the light of the gospel among the **Rendille** people group.

18 Tuesday The **RBAK** general assembly is scheduled to take place in Nairobi from 7th to 10th October. Please pray for the strengthening of this national Association as we seek like-minded churches to join up so that we can have a united gospel front being such a reformed Baptist community in the country. We also desire that the Lord will open a door for it to be registered with the Registrar of Societies.

19 Wednesday The **Kiswahili Service** was disrupted because MI was away in Meru. Previous messages were replayed. Nonetheless, the Lord is able to use even the old messages to edify his saints and to save his elect. MI began a series of teachings on *Holy Spirit: His Person and Work* from 28th April.

20 Thursday (1) The church in **Vote** is still in need of your prayers both for growth – both spiritually and numerically and for additional church leaders. (2) The church in **Kima** has also struggled to find another man to replace Francis Maundu who passed on and who was one of the deacons. Please pray that Christ may endow much wisdom to Stanley Musyoki.

21 Friday The church in **Siaya** led by Roy Omondi desires to have lasting spiritual impact in the town. Evangelism has been primarily person to person and door to door. Roy has also added a Bible Study to equip the saints for the work of ministry. Please pray that all these efforts will be fruitful.

22 Saturday A **Congregational Meeting** will take place today. There will be the third triennial re-evaluation of EA. But we are likely to deal difficult membership issues including a possible excommunication. Please pray that the Lord will be present with us and enable us to seek God's glory and the beauty and purity of Christ's church above everything else.