

# TRAIN(Kenya)

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Dear Brethren, Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ from the trustees of TRAIN(Kenya). We rejoice to report that we have been privileged to add a new trustee to our number! Eunice Oluwasakin is a member of Trinity Grace Church, Ramsbottom and brings some much-needed youth to our board. We are thankful for the skills in accounting and administration that will be of much help to us, as well as her zeal for the honour of Christ and the work of the gospel in Kenya.

We are also thankful that we have been able to launch a new website, <https://www.trainkenya.com>. There you will find many fresh pictures from across Kenya, as well as all our newsletters, Keith's prayer letters, and an archive of our old website content. There are pages devoted to each of the significant areas of our work: training ministers; supporting pastors; helping churches; sponsoring schools; and meeting needs. There is also a section for latest news updates. Some of the pages are not yet complete, but there is a lot of fresh material for you to read. If you have any suggestions, please do get in touch through the contact page and let us know.

In terms of the work "on the ground" in Kenya, in this newsletter we are going to take a slightly "alternative" approach and report on some things that might not seem so significant at first glance. Hopefully, through these things, you can see how your generous giving is so valuable.

## **Milton Nyaritho**

Milton is a member of the Gospel Missions Agency Church, Maweni, Mombasa. He had commenced his training for the ministry through the Wisdom Training Centre in Mombasa under his pastor, Barnabas Olare. Having completed that course, he has now commenced studies in Nairobi at the Trinity Pastors College. We have been providing 12,000KES (around £75GBP) per month towards his support. He resides in the church compound and assists as a night watchman, looking after security.

In December last year he wrote a brief letter of thanks to TRAIN(Kenya) for the support that we have been sending. This is what he wrote:

*Dear Pastor Keith,*

*How are you? I hope you are doing well. I am also quite fine and determined to do whatsoever I think to be most to God's glory.*

*I take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the cordial support for my well being and stay at church. I don't take it for granted that I do receive a salary but this is because of God's grace. I must admit that through the support, I have a mind set free from disturbing issues and influences of life. I have ample time for studies and my own work as a caretaker because of my basic needs are catered for.*

*I lack words to express my gratitude to you and TRAIN(Kenya) for the support. I graduated on August this year diploma course at Wisdom Training Centre, and by God's grace I received an acceptance letter three days ago to join TPC Nairobi, beginning next January.*

*Once again, thank you very much.*

*Your friend, Milton*

From this letter you can see what can be accomplished when even small sums are contributed for the support of those training for the ministry. Please do consider giving to this fund.

## **Wasat Church Latrine**

We reported in Newsletter No3 that the main structure of the church building in Wasat, Pokot North, had been completed without any funding being provided by TRAIN(Kenya), or any assistance from

outside the churches of the region. Now, they have also erected the toilet block as you can see in the picture. We rejoice in the zeal and commitment shown by the members of the church in Wasat, and their willingness both to give generously and to work hard in the completion of these projects, to the honour of their Lord. As the community around sees such work being completed, knowing that it has been done without any outside contributions, they can see how much the people love their Saviour, and what they are willing to sacrifice in devotion to him. Please continue to pray that Christ will be honoured through the testimony of the whole church in Wasat. It is always our aim to encourage and enable the churches to become self-supporting as far as possible and as quickly as possible. What a joy to see this happening in Wasat!



### Dealing With Discouragement



We all know what it is like to be discouraged! When we face trials and setbacks, either in our personal health, or in family difficulties, or in the challenges of ministry, we can sometimes feel like giving up. However, in our context, living in a wealthy country with extensive healthcare provided at point of need, a generous welfare state and countless provisions made for us whenever we are in difficulty, it is hard for us to appreciate what it is like for those who lack all of these benefits.

Andrew Chemolok, pictured to the left, is one of the church leaders in Pokot North. He faces many such trials and discouragements, living in a very remote area and often fearing for his own health, and the wellbeing of his large family (he has nine children to care for). There is no accessible healthcare nearby, and when he travels, the costs are often prohibitive. Then there are the worries about education (which is not free) and provision for his family.

Recently he wrote to us, expressing his thanks for the support that we give, but also confessing his fear and concern about an ongoing health difficulty that was causing him great distress. This is how he concluded his letter:

*Finally, please pray for me personally. I have been suffering from bad health for two months. The exact problem is not yet known because I have not been able to attend any clinic due to challenges beyond my control. The health facilities here are very limited. I have been trying to obtain some drugs to help, but it is challenging. Please pray. Above all, pray for us as leaders in these three regions of Pokot North, that God may keep us strong enough to be faithful in Christ.*

The provision that TRAIN(Kenya) makes for medical care, school fees and practical support are vital in keeping these men enabled and encouraged in their ministry. Please pray for them to persevere through all their trials, and please give generously so that we can relieve their anxieties and liberate them to focus on the work of ministering the word of God in the churches.