

Pray for Kenya

December 2018 – January 2019

Dear Brethren,

Thank you for your prayers for the recent visit to Kenya (December 11-17). By God's kind providences everything went as planned. Although I had to make a quick turn-around from preaching twice on the Sunday, going back late to Liverpool, and then leaving the next morning for Kisumu, I made it to Kisumu the next morning at 07.30. The biggest difficulty was in Nairobi having first to complete all formalities to enter the country and then walk to the local departures terminal in the rain. It was only a 35 minute flight and I got out the address I was to give at 09.00 but started talking to Gavin sitting next to me. It was such a good opportunity to witness to the saving grace of Christ that I completely forgot about the folder with all my addresses and left them on the plane! Thankfully everything is now digitalized and I had them both on my computer and flash-drive, so getting extra printed copies was easy.

Kisumu Reformed Family Conference



Barnabas Olare (left), a pastor of the Gospel Missions Agency church in Mombasa, together with his wife Vera, was the speaker together with me. We spoke 12 times on the subject of The Church – The Bride of Christ. You can listen to all the addresses at the YouTube channel of Grace Baptist Church Kisumu. **Naphtally Ogallo** (right), a pastor of Grace Baptist Church, Eldoret, was the one responsible for organizing the Conference.



The Family Conference has been running for a number of years. I was invited specifically to strengthen the fellowship between the churches linked to Nairobi Trinity Baptist Church, and those linked to Grace Baptist Church Kisumu.

About 200 people were registered in attendance from various church in Kenya. Two things in particular struck me. First, this was a Family Conference with many children

and young people, yet there were 12 addresses on one theme. There is a hunger for serious preaching of the Word of God. Second, the singing of the great hymns of the faith, especially those that fitted with the theme, was with eagerness.

Barnabas and I sought to be expository in all that we said, using one particular verse or passage to explain the topic – Understanding the Church, Christ building the Church, You must be part of the church, Submit to the church, Be careful with the church, Maintain the unity of the church, and There is hope for the church. We pray that one fruit will be a close involvement in respective local churches.

Mumias Wisdom Training Centre (WTC)



On the Saturday I had the privilege of speaking to about 100 present and former students of the Wisdom Training Centre in Mumias, some distance north of Kisumu. The pastor and teacher here is Elly Achok (left), real brother to Barnabas (right), my co-speaker. Some years back they came out of a long-standing attachment to the Word of Faith movement and trained with us in Nairobi. You may read the testimony of Brother Elly at <http://trinitybaptistkenya.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Elly-Achok-Testimony.pdf>, and hear his teaching and preaching at the YouTube channel of The Reformed Gospel, and read on the website www.reformedgospel.org. What was so encouraging is that these brethren came from far and wide, and listened for four hours while I sought to explain the importance of doctrine and the system of doctrine in the Bible. Almost all have come from a Charismatic / Word of Faith background and are a testimony of the reformation the Lord has been doing in the past several years.

Nairobi Trinity Baptist Church

I spent the last day with my dear brethren in Nairobi, and particularly Murungi and his family, the full-time elder/pastor. Although there are the usual problems to be expected in any church, there is unity and the church is growing. The greatest need is for additional elders for this large church of more than 130 members having a host of ministries around the country.

In Christ's service,

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