

PRAYER GUIDE

**2022
PRAYER SEASON 4
31 OCT - 4 NOV 2022**

CORPORATE DAY OF PRAYER: 4 NOV 2022



GREETINGS FROM THE PRAYER COORDINATION GROUP

We bless the Lord as we commence the **Last Season of Prayer and Fasting for 2022**.

It has been a momentous year for the Ministry of African Enterprise as we celebrated 60 years of Ministry. We bless God for His faithfulness.

“Come let us worship and bow down, Let us kneel before the Lord our maker, For He is our God, We are His people he watches over, The sheep under his care”

Psalm 95 v 6-7 (New Living Translation)

“Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others” - Marcus Tullius Cicero

Prayer

We encourage each office, Board, intercessory group, spouse, and volunteer of African Enterprise to determine your way of spending this time with God. We encourage you to involve the prayer groups around you, both within and outside of AE.

Feedback

Please let us know if you have any God-given messages for the organisation. All comments can be sent to prayer@aeint.org.

Biggie Paul

Prayer Coordinator

on behalf of Stephen Mbogo, Emmanuel Kwizera, Salomi Mumbi, Joan Addison, Joana Amegashi, Esther Chongo and Melody Mwangi as the Prayer Coordination Team



FOREWORD

Psalm 126:2-6 (NIV)

2 Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." 3 The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. 4 Restore our fortunes, Lord, like streams in the Negev. 5 Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. 6 Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

As we embark upon this end of year Prayer Season, let us begin by directing our adoration upwards through Praise and thanksgiving. Every end of year, it almost seems customary for us to reflect on what the Lord has done, and to give thanks for His goodness. How can we not? The scriptures in Psalm 126 accurately describe God's grace for African Enterprise in how far He has brought us. We have much to be grateful for.

This year has been especially significant as we celebrate 60 years of ministry. The testimonies from all the missions, the lives that have been reached, and the climax of the grand celebrations in Lusaka, are demonstrations that all we have and are – are due to God's mercy and will for this ministry. The God who has fashioned this ministry, and the hearts of us who are involved in it, means for our lives to display His truth and fulfil His Great Commission. "I have raised you up for the very purpose of showing my power in you, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth." (Romans 9:17 RSV)

In line with our theme of 'Holding True, Pressing on', I encourage us to keep walking steadfastly as we take the first steps towards the next 60 years, turning to each other as ones in whom Christ dwells, confessing His goodness, and faithfully interceding for the days to come.

As we stand on tip toes and allow our eyes to gaze into the near (and far) future, I know that the Lord walks with us. He is always standing between us and every possible future. Isaiah prophesies that the Lord is doing a new thing, making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland (Isaiah 43:19). May it be so for our ministry - that God will make new paths where our feet have not yet stepped, and that He will give us a wider scope in places where we already have influence. But most importantly, I pray that He will grant us the grace to carry out His will faithfully. And remember in all your asking during this prayer season to precede all that with a bountiful of thanksgiving for what He has already done for us and this ministry – from your national team to the entire continent and globe where AE is involved!

Amen.

May the Lord bless you and keep you in his care, always.

Dr Stephen Mbogo
International CEO

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*Emmanuel Kopwe,
Former Team Leader - AE Tanzania*

*Highlights of the Lusaka Mission- in the eyes of the earliest
Evangelist Emmanuel Kopwe former Team Leader Tanzania*

LUSAKA MISSION: A GLIMPSE FROM THE PAST...

“God is faithful, and you were called by Him to partnership with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord”. 1 Cor 1:9, CEB

The Lusaka Mission Celebrated God. Celebrating 60 years of ministry, and the privilege of being graced with the presence of the people who dared obey God (Dr Michael Cassidy is iconic). The Mission/Celebration was the harvesting of a seed planted in the first mission some 30 plus years ago. Paul tells us that God is faithful. I can't help but agree with Paul at the trustworthiness, reliability, and dependability of God; all these years and during the mission in Lusaka. I also recognize that our calling is not just “fellowship” as many translations would say, but the translation I quote underlines “partnership” with Jesus. ***Partnership is an arrangement where parties, known as partners, agree to cooperate to advance their mutual interests.*** The Lusaka Mission can be a good springboard to prayerfully propel us into a future with properly founded four partnership perspectives:

Can we all (including those we carry along to the mission field) claim we are properly knitted, hinged, and in one accord with Jesus? (John 17:21-24)

Do we do due diligence to build on the local partnership (as per our mission statement) for mutual interests?



How about the in-house fellowship? If you read J. R. R. Tolkien's Fellowship of the Ring, nine individuals from different races, personalities, and different opinions: held each other accountable, defended each other, fought together for what was good... We need to be deliberately concerned of the needs of each other, to build morale and unity.

How sustainable is the preservation plan for the mutual fruit?

As we get excited of the past we can see, we better be diligent in prayer and action in search of the partnership for the future we aspire.

PRAYER POINTS:

- Give thanks that God chose us to partner with him
- Pray that there will be accountability in our relationships that will honour God
- Pray that the Father will make us pure and holy as he sends us into the world to glorify Him
- Pray John 17 v 21-24. Pray that we will be one just as the Father and Son are one



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*Benson Omondi,
Team Leader - AE Kenya*

LOOKING BEYOND 60 YEARS, “SUFFICIENCY OF SCRIPTURE”

“And the things you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also” (2Tim. 2:2)

In reflecting upon this passage of scripture, the best gift Christian leaders can pass on to the next generation is a culture, built in the orthodoxy of the sufficiency of Scripture. Scripture unites us. We may have a thousand divergent views, but we should find a sense of unity if fidelity in reading and passing on the untainted Word of God is given pre-eminence in any and all engagements.

Looking beyond 60 years requires looking back to critically analyze the binding factors that stood out as distinctive for African Enterprise, amidst the varying cultural contexts within which each national office is found. Fidelity to the Word of God remains exceptional in my view.

The Apostle Paul, in seeking to describe the infrastructure within which the Word of God should be passed on from one generation to another, says “And the things you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also” (2Tim. 2:2). The key points to note in this text is the need to pass the word on to “**faithful men**” who will in turn “**Teach others**”. In other words, Paul is saying that in order to preserve the gospel for coming generations, we need to do two things.



1. Identify faithful men. Reliable men committed to the course of Christ.
2. Commission them to teach others.

Beyond 60 years, **AE should remain at the forefront of equipping the next generation of church leaders, evangelists, pastors, and most importantly the next generation of reliable young men.** The net results will be an acceleration of the gospel through a multiplier effect, beyond what individuals can accomplish. We are stewards of the mysteries of God.

PRAYER POINTS:

- As we start to identify recruits for the AE School of evangelism, pray that the Lord will enable each team to get faithful men that are dependable.
- Pray that the Lord will provide the necessary resources required to effectively train individuals.
- Pray that AE will take its rightful place in the arena of catalyzing the church to greater heights of productivity in the Great Commission (Mission and Evangelism)



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Diana Dow,

Melbourne Prayer Group Australia

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

"Lord, you must hear my prayer, for you are faithful to your promises. Answer my cry, O righteous God!" Psalm 143:1 (TPT)

Joining Biggie Paul, International Prayer Coordinator, the Prayer Coordinators of National teams and local intercessors who met before the Lusaka for Jesus Mission was such a privilege. We came, confident that the One who had answered prayers for the ministry of African Enterprise through 60 years, would meet with us; show us what was on His heart, and, as we aligned our heart with His as we prayed, He would answer.

Intercessors were assigned to the seven bases from which missionaries went daily and at least two intercessors were at each base through the time the stratified evangelism was taking place. Ann and I were assigned to the Emmasdale Base, with Biggie, meeting the missionaries for prayer every morning, sending them out with prayer and blessing. Biggie received updates for prayer so that we could seek the Lord for answers to specific needs as they occurred.

What joy to welcome the missionaries back and hear their reports of answered prayer. He more than proved His presence with those who went in obedience to the Great Commission. The Lord is faithful to His promises. He wants everyone to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:6). Jesus promised, "I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself" (John 12:32). As Jesus was proclaimed in Lusaka, people responded to the good news. The months of prayer before Missions for prepared hearts was answered. Each day the Lord led us to pray for a specific group: those in bondage to addictions; people needing healing; those who had wandered away from the Good Shepherd; churches in Lusaka; leaders to have the heart of the Father as new lambs came into the sheepfold



We were asked to pray for stolen documents (recovered); more cows (5 were given which provided needed supplies); hosts for unexpected arrivals (all needs were met); delays at the borders (Kubamba Krew and Heaven's Gates Hell's Flames did make it!); the phenomenal logistics required for such a mission and the AESAR and AEI teams; we prayed outside the supermarket adjacent to Soweto Market while the Serve the City Finale took place (people kneeling on the ground, surrendering their lives to Jesus); some alcoholics came to Jesus; marriages were reconciled; people were healed and delivered; a young Mother with her little boy was provided with a meal and the means to return home after being found by missionaries collapsed by the road.

The passage in Job 22 vs.21-30, encouraged us to bring ourselves into alignment with God, putting Him first, seeking His will and way, with the promise of answered prayer and light on our way as we lift clean hands to Him. Looking forward, Holding True, Pressing on is the AE@60 motto. Whatever part we play in Evangelising the Cities of Africa in Word and Deed in Partnership with the Church we can do nothing without Him. Spending the time in Lusaka interceding was a most wonderful experience, as Zephaniah 2:3 (AMP) reminded me, "Seek the Lord [search diligently for Him and regard Him as the foremost necessity of your life]."

PRAYER POINTS:

- Praise the Lord for his faithfulness in answering prayer.
- Thank God for the light of Jesus that shone from the missionaries as they went into the field.
- Rejoice that so many responded to the Good News presented in Lusaka.
- Pray for the nurture and care of new believers.
- Pray that churches will continue to work together to reach their communities by word and deed.
- Pray that what was planted in Lusaka will bear fruit for the kingdom in Zambia.



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Gavin John,
Communications - AE South Africa

THANKSGIVING

"Let joy be your continual feast. Make your life a prayer. And in the midst of everything be always giving thanks, for this is God's perfect plan for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18 (TPT)

*"With my hand lifted up, and my mouth filled with praise;
with a heart of thanksgiving, I will bless Thee, O Lord!"*

I'm certain that we all remember well this line from that good old-fashioned Christian hymn 'count your many blessings, name them one by one...' I very much doubt though, what with the eternal grumblings and negativity of modern-day life, that we take the time-out to do so - if we did 'it would surprise you what the Lord has done!'

The Apostle Paul concludes his first epistle to the people of Thessalonica with these 'final instructions' to them: Let joy be your continual feast. Make your life a prayer. And in the midst of everything be always giving thanks, for this is God's perfect plan for you in Christ Jesus.' 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18 (TPT)

'In this iconic year of celebrating AE's 60th Anniversary there is much to give thanks to the Lord for. For a vision that was blessed to become a reality; for grace to continue this ministry through all the changing scenes over the past six decades; but most especially for the many who have come to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour wherever He has sent us to proclaim His word and to reach out in deed.

We are indeed grateful that He has blessed our Founder, Michael, with good-enough health to play an integral part in all the mission activities of both 'Mission to Maritzburg' and 'Lusaka for Jesus; and in number of celebratory events befitting such a milestone achievement.



What a singular privilege it was for representatives from all our teams across Africa, our support offices beyond, our partners and associates to gather together for ministry and witness to the people of Lusaka. And what an exceeding joy it was to fellowship in-person for the first time with so many of our brothers and sisters whom we had only met 'virtually'.

AE has been, and continues to be served by a family of committed brothers and sisters over its sixty-year ministry, many of whom have since gone to be with the Lord. We are indeed most grateful to God for blessing us with such a rich legacy of Godly and committed men and women at AE! As we enter into a new era still 'holding true, pressing on' with preaching the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we are blessed in this 60th year to launch the African Enterprise International Institute of Evangelism (AEIIE) whose vision it is to be a 'Centre of Excellence for equipping Evangelists for Global Mission' and whose mission it is to 'equip Evangelists Theologically and Holistically for Global Mission.'

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever. Psalm 118:29 (NKJV) Archie Naismith recounts that a Christian in great perplexity prayed but found no relief in prayer. Looking up from where he knelt, he caught sight of a card which read 'Try Thanksgiving!' He did, and the Lord gave him peace and removed his cares. So dear beloved, despite the 'resounding gongs and clanging cymbals' of everyday life, I challenge you to take time to count your many blessings – and it will surely surprise you what the Lord has done!

PRAYER POINTS:

- Gratitude for 60 years of ministry and for God's favour on the years of ministry that lie ahead;
- For the launching of the AEIIE and its successful implementation and growth
- For renewed spiritual strength, Christian knowledge and discernment to meet the challenges of modern society;
- For wisdom and guidance for our leaders at all levels whether of State, Church or organisational



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Oscar Sabiti,
Prayer Coordinator - AE Uganda

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Thanksgiving brings down the glory of God.

"13 Those who blew the trumpets and those who sang together sounded like one person as they praised and thanked the Lord. They sang as others played their trumpets, cymbals, and other instruments. They praised the Lord with this song: "He is good; his love continues forever." Then the Temple of the Lord was filled with a cloud. 14 The priests could not continue their work because of the cloud, because the Lord's glory filled the Temple of God. "2 Chron 5:13-14 (NLT)

In 2 Chronicles 5:13-14, when high praises and thanksgiving was rendered to God, His glory filled His house and the priests could not stand. Sickness, disease, sorrow and demons cannot stand, as you give God thanks in Jesus Name. Whenever thanksgiving rises up to God, He is stirred into action to perform a miracle.

Be a thanksgiver because thanksgiving releases enormous power of God to do wonders in your life. Gratitude is a spiritual force that empowers you to scale to higher heights. Fresh oil for fresh impact comes on you. You never run dry with constant thanksgiving (Psalms 89:20-24). When you thank God, you glorify His Name. Thanksgiving brings edification to the hearers. It builds up the faith of others, qualifies you for another act of favour from God and brings incredible multiplication (John 6:5-13). The five loaves of bread and two fishes multiplied in the hands of Jesus after giving thanks.

Thanksgiving turns healing to wholeness. In Luke 17:11-19, of the 10 lepers, just one got complete wholeness. Wholeness is complete health.



As you offer praise and thanks to God, may you experience wholeness in your life. Thanksgiving brings incredible restoration. In John 11:41, Jesus gave thanks and Lazarus rose from the dead. As you give thanks, every opportunity that was dead in your life will be restored in Jesus's name and brings total deliverance from all your troubles. Psalms 50:14-15.

In 2 Chronicles 1:6-15, Solomon offered unto God a thousand burnt offering and went to bed. He got divine visitation which provoked a great blessing upon him.

May your house and life be filled with the glory of God as you continually thank God for who He is.

PRAYER POINTS:

Prayer for African Enterprise

- Pray that God would sustain African Enterprise for yet another 60 years and beyond
- Pray for the African Enterprise Institute of Evangelism. Pray for the vision to be a Centre of excellence equipping evangelists for Global Mission to be achieved
- Pray that AE will remain relevant in responding to the current African challenges
- Pray for younger supporters to support the Ministry
- Pray for the finances of AE.



SOME ENCOURAGEMENT TO PRAY...

PRAYER IS A PLACE OF ENCOUNTER WITH GOD

“...the Lord never intended for prayer to be something we do merely out of duty or to get specific results.

First and foremost, prayer is about encountering God and growing in relationship with Him. It is the means by which we most feel His presence and receive love from Him as we gain understanding of what He is like. It is the time when we receive fresh insight into His heart and when new desires in our hearts are formed so that we may commune deeply with Him.

Prayer positions us to be energized to love—to love God and people. This is the foundational principle of prayer. Yes, it is biblical to pray to get answers and to see God’s power. But prayer is first of all an opportunity to commune with God. The call to prayer is a call to participate in the love that has forever burned in God’s heart.

From eternity past the Father has loved the Son with all His heart, and the Son has loved the Father with the same intensity. The primary factor in the Father’s relationships, both within the Godhead and with His people, is wholehearted love...

God’s heart burns with love, and He calls us to experience it —to enter into what I refer to as “the fellowship of the burning heart.”
Mike Bickle – Growing in Prayer





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