



ANNUAL **MISSION**  
**SUMMARY**  
2024





**African Enterprise Team poses for a picture with Regional Director of World Vision, Dr. Daniel Muvengi**

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# International CEO's Foreword



As we close the chapter on 2024, we look back on a year of trials, triumphs, and unwavering faith. It has been a challenging season, yet God's faithfulness has remained our anchor through it all. In the face of obstacles, we have seen His hand at work, guiding us through the mission fields of Africa.

In 2024, through your steadfast prayers, generous support, and tireless commitment, African Enterprise conducted nine impactful missions, reaching 1,983,078 people, with 119,598 decisions for Christ. Our leadership missions, including prayer breakfasts in Kenya, Zambia, Malawi, and Botswana, have strengthened communities and equipped leaders for kingdom work. Every soul reached, every heart transformed, is a testimony to the power of partnership and the grace of God.

Reflecting on the wisdom of Scripture, we are reminded of David's resilience in 1 Samuel 30:6— when faced with adversity, he found strength in the Lord. Like David, we found strength in the Lord and are once again encouraging ourselves in the faith as we embark on 2025.

As we enter a new year, we do so with renewed purpose and unwavering dedication to the Great Commission. The harvest is plentiful, and the opportunities before us are immense. Let us continue to stand together, united in our mission to bring the light of Christ to the cities of Africa.

May 2025 be a year of renewal, reflection, and rejoicing. Christ remains the reason for our mission and the hope for the nations. Thank you for being part of this journey. Wishing you and your loved ones a fruitful New Year!

Rev. Dr. Stephen Mbogo,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mbogo', with a small flourish at the end.

International Team Leader,  
African Enterprise

## **2024 Missions, as they happened**

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### **AEE Rwanda**

**June 24-30, Kigali Leadership Mission**

### **AEE Kenya**

**June 27-July 7, Kisumu Mission**

### **AEE Tanzania**

**July 14-21, Dodoma Mission**

### **AE South Africa**

**September 5-15, Johannesburg Mission**

### **AEE DRC**

**September 14-21, Kinshasa West**

### **AE Zimbabwe**

**September 20-29, Harare Mission**

### **AEE Uganda**

**September 21-29, Soroti Mission**

### **AE Ghana**

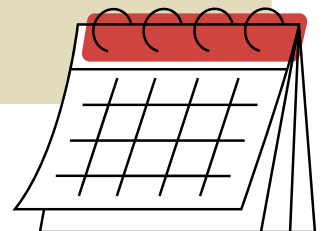
**October 25-Nov 3, Tema Mission**

### **AE South Sudan**

**October 27-Nov 3, Juba West**

### **AE Ethiopia**

**December 24-29, Nefas Silk Mission**



# Mission Numbers

**Reached**

**1,983,078**

**Saved**

**119,598**



## **Vision**

**Transformed lives in Christ  
Through an Empowered Church**

## **Mission**

**Evangelising the Cities of Africa  
through Word and Deed in  
Partnership with the Church**

# TEMA MISSION

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus stated, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given unto me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit” (Matthew 28:18). This powerful command, referred to as the Great Commission, highlighted the significance of sharing Christ’s teachings and reaching out to all parts of the world.

In response to this significant calling, African Enterprise Ghana remained dedicated to its annual citywide missions. The 2024 mission week began on October 24th in the lively city of Tema. The goal of the Tema mission was to engage and mobilize local communities through meaningful outreach activities, offering spiritual support, and promoting the sharing of the Christian faith.

Participants had the chance to participate in various programs, including evangelism, community service, film evangelism, school ministry, children’s events, youth seminars, and fellowship gatherings, which nurtured a sense of unity and purpose in the mission to spread the Gospel to every nation.

The official opening ceremony for the mission took place on Sunday, October 27th, at the First Baptist Church, attended by around three hundred evangelists. Church leaders commissioned the evangelists, empowering them with a symbolic key representing their authority and responsibility to share the gospel. The event was marked by encouragement, prayer, and a shared sense of purpose, celebrating this important milestone.

Lynn Nwagbara, the AE Europe Director, expressed gratitude during the key presentation, emphasizing the trust placed in the evangelists by Church leaders. She reassured the audience of the evangelists’ dedication to their calling and commitment to preaching and sharing the gospel in their communities effectively.

## Mission Statistics Report

The mission to the coastal city of Tema was a great success mainly because of the fruitful harvest. By God’s grace, the gospel was shared with nearly **91,135** people, and **5,790 sincerely committed** to dedicate their lives to God. This group included 4,529 individuals who accepted Salvation, 894 who rededicated their lives, and 367 who sought further information about their faith journey.

A key highlight from the Tema Mission 2024 was the intentional engagement of and outreach to children and youth. Notably, there was a vibrant collaboration among various parachurch organizations, such as Hopespring Foundation, Great Commission Movement, Scripture Union Ghana, Excellent Youth Outreach (EYO), Human Development (HuD) Group, and local churches in the Greater Tema area. The ten-day Stratified Evangelism period showcased the power of the church working together to amplify the impact of the gospel in Tema.





# Computer Training Program Testimonies

## Empowerment Beyond a Certificate!

### Richmond Ohene Tetteh

"As I sit here, reflecting on the journey that has brought me to the graduation threshold, I am overwhelmed with emotion. The countless late nights, early mornings, and endless cups of coffee that fuelled my studies seem like a distant memory now. But one thing remains etched in my mind - the unwavering support of African Enterprise.

Your belief in me, trust in my abilities, and generosity in providing the resources I needed to pursue my dreams have been the wind beneath my wings. Your support has been a constant reminder that I am not alone in this journey and that there are people who genuinely care about my success.

As I look back on the struggles, the doubts, and the fears that threatened to derail me at times, I am reminded of the power of your support. It was your encouragement that pushed me to keep going, to persevere, and to strive for excellence. And now, as I stand on the cusp of graduation, I am filled with a sense of gratitude that words cannot express. Your investment in me has yielded a return far beyond a mere certificate or diploma. You have helped shape me into a confident, capable, and compassionate individual, ready to make a meaningful impact.

So I want to say thank you. Thank you for seeing something in me that I didn't even see in myself at times. Thank you for being my rock, haven, and guiding light. Thank you for being my sponsors, my mentors, and my friends. As I go into the next chapter of my journey, I carry your support, wisdom, and love with me. I promise to make you proud, to honor your investment in me, and to pay it forward in ways that will touch lives and make a difference.

Thank you again from the bottom of my heart. I am forever grateful."

## A God who Sees

### Anna Adoma

Anna Adoma is a 20-year-old high school leaver graduate. She hails from Ashanti Bekwai, where her parents are farmers, and is the third born of 5 siblings. Her dream was to further her education and become a nurse and IT expert, yet her parents tried hard but could not find the money to support her. Anna admitted that there was so much poverty at home and the future looked so bleak that as soon as she graduated from high school, Anna journeyed to Accra to seek greener pastures.

Sadly, she faced the stark reality of non-existent jobs in Accra. Since she had no one to stay in Accra and had no means of returning home, she roamed the streets of Accra aimlessly. As a believer, Anna was convinced that one day, God would break through for her. Fortunately for Anna, a kind-hearted man of God found her on the street and took her in as a house help. What started as blind hope when I accepted a stranger's invitation into his home because of her situation became an answered prayer for the man who turned out to be a true man of God. This benefactor of Anna later introduced her to African Enterprise for the ICT training.

Anna said, "My story is like a fairy tale. I had no hope some months back, but now I have found hope to transform my life and be empowered to lead a decent life. My heartfelt gratitude goes to the donors who give out of love and their own volition towards such projects and give people like me the hope to forge ahead in hopeless situations. The ICT Facilitators' encouragement and the staff of African Enterprise reception made it a wonderful experience for bringing this training program to my doorstep."

Like Hagar in the Bible, Anna's testifies of a God whose watchful eyes are not blind to the situations of those who trust Him.



Australia Team Visit the Ghana Computer Training Program

Richmond Ohene Tetteh

# Hope Rekindled for Flood Victims

The nation of Kenya went through a dark time in the months of April and May as severe flooding affected 33 out of 47 counties, resulting in the displacement of almost 400,000 people, including women and children. Sadly, hundreds were killed, and scores more were injured as the Nairobi and Athi rivers burst their banks, sweeping away everything that stood in their path. Months later, those who had survived the deluge had a steep upward task of rebuilding from scratch, and the slum areas were hardest hit.

Through a generous donation from Barnabas Aid, African Enterprise Kenya provided food packs to families in Kibera, Korogocho, Mathare, Soweto, and Kayole slums affected by the devastating floods. The food packs issued to 1,003 households contained essential items such as 5kg Maize flour, 2kg beans, 2 liters of cooking oil, and one piece of bar soap. The AE Kenya team reached 2,816 with the gospel, and 98 gave their lives to the Lord. The food package went a long way in putting a smile on the faces of the victims who felt loved and cared for.

*"Honestly, that night is a blur. I remember a deafening roar that I couldn't explain. I thought something large was falling outside, and then we heard people screaming and shouting. That completely woke us up. When we went outside, the rain was pouring heavily, and we could see the houses below us being swept away by the river. We barely had time to grab our children and evacuate before the river reached our house. As we moved uphill to safety, we watched in disbelief as our home disappeared with the raging river. We had to find shelter against the rain while avoiding the rising water."* **Faith Keta, Mathare resident.**

Faith Keta and her family had lived in the Mathare Area 1 since 2019. Life had never been easy for them, but the floods presented a new hardship. Her biggest challenge was caring for their four children together with her husband. Like many others, she said they were sheltered at a nearby Primary School for a few weeks when an organization arrived and provided each family with Kes 10,000 to help them rebuild their lives.

*"That gave us hope in that difficult time. We found a two-room house for Kes 4,000 per month in rent and had to pay a deposit of the same amount. That left us with only Kes 2,000 for essential household items. For the first week, we slept on nylon sacks on the floor and used them as blankets. It was the best we could do. Finding work was extremely difficult for my husband, a casual laborer. That's how he came to work as a sex worker in upscale neighborhoods to provide for us. He told me about it before he started, and I supported him because job opportunities were scarce then. Even with that, we still struggled to put food on the table".* She said.

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Most of the flood victims expressed gratitude for the food packs they received, stating that they would last them for a couple of days.

"The food I have received has given me hope. I won't have to worry about what to eat for the next few weeks. I'm grateful to the church and African Enterprise Kenya for remembering us and feeding those of us who are still rebuilding." Teresia Njeri Maina.

When the floods came, Teresia Njeri was asleep, she says if it weren't for her neighbors, she could have been among the victims. The neighbors banged on her door, shouting, 'Do you want to die?', waking her up and in the confusion, she stepped into the freezing cold water and realized the danger. Njeri then rushed out, carrying an umbrella and shawl. By the time she reached the uphill road, the river had swept her house.



## Foxfire Dome Destroyed by Thunderstorm

On the afternoon of November 14th, heavy rainfall accompanied by hail caused a storm that resulted in a tree falling on the Foxfire residence, destroying the structure.

Fortunately, there were no casualties, as the 2024 Foxfire team had already graduated and left the grounds in August. This residence had been home to the Foxfires since 2003 and has served over 200 young people, housing them as they were equipped through discipleship and leadership training.

Fondly nicknamed "**the Dome**," it was a place where young individuals found rest, learning, and ministry and where encouragement was shared.

It served as a hub of fellowship and holds countless cherished memories for the many young people who have participated in the Foxfire program. From this 'Dome,' leaders have emerged, including politicians who have influenced the political landscape, ministry leaders excelling in their various roles, marketplace leaders, creatives thriving in their pursuits, and many more influential people in multiple sectors and industries within and outside the country.

Please visit the AE Kenya website to contribute towards reconstructing new dormitories for the Foxfire youth empowerment program.



A storm threw a tree that crushed the "Dome"

## AE Staff taken through Authentic Leadership Training by Equip Leadership Canada

The Authentic Leadership seminar took place in Nairobi, Kenya, from 27th November to 30th November 2024, bringing together 30 leaders from 12 African nations: Kenya, Ethiopia, South Sudan, South Africa, Malawi, Ghana, Zambia, Tanzania, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Zimbabwe, and Uganda.

The training focused on exploring what the "**new life in Christ**" offers and how it impacts our identity, human needs, motivational gifts, and our minds and emotions to transform our leadership and influence on others profoundly.

African Enterprise Kenya hosted the seminar in partnership with Equip Leadership Canada—this exclusive opportunity aimed to equip leaders with essential skills and knowledge to excel in their leadership roles.

"Knowing that all my sins are forgiven, I am a son of God and a counsellor through the gifts of motivation. I operate under grace and not legalism; the list is endless. The training was revolutionary. Thank you, Equip Leadership Canada, and your excellent facilitators for your submission to God's use." Captain Joel Soti, an Anglican minister and Missions Director at AE Kenya.

John Garvin, Communications and Centre Manager at AE South Africa, reflected, "What stood out to me is the concept of identity. Even though I can work hard for the Lord, I should not define myself solely as a laborer, nor should I expect others to see themselves that way. Therefore, I need to be careful about guarding my heart."

John Kalenzi, Team Leader at AE Rwanda, added, "I believe this is the first session where we are encouraged to slow down and reflect on whether what we are doing can be sustained by our relationship with God. That spoke volumes to me because, at times, we are tempted to do more for God."



Equip Leadership Training in Nairobi, Kenya

## From Passion to Impact

Malachi Nkhoma, a passionate young evangelist from Lilongwe CCAP, embarked on a life-changing journey by attending the 40on4 Books Evangelism Training at African Enterprise Malawi. Recognizing the immense value this training held, Malachi was eager to deepen his understanding and enhance his evangelistic efforts.

Reflecting on his experience, Malachi shared, *"I used to evangelize within my community, believing I was doing enough, but this training has challenged me and exceeded my expectations. I've gained profound insights into making disciples, following up with new converts, effective prayer, and engaging with diverse audiences."*

Malachi particularly appreciated the second session's focus on transformational leadership, a key component in building a vibrant church community. "The principles of transformational leadership empower others and enhance my growth as a leader. This training has reshaped my mindset; I no longer undervalue myself," He revealed.

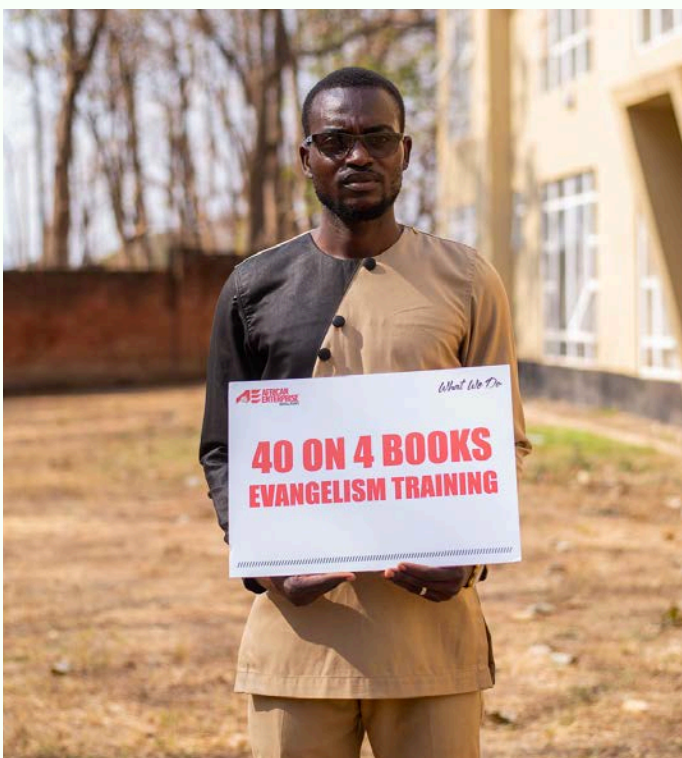
Inspired by the first session, Malachi organized a fellowship meeting with his neighbors and family. This gathering, centered around Bible study, prayer, mutual support, and gospel outreach, has become a cornerstone of his local ministry. His enthusiasm for the training led him to share its insights with the church's executive leadership, who welcomed the knowledge and eagerly anticipated further updates from the second session.

As Lilongwe CCAP prepares for an upcoming evangelistic outreach, Malachi is poised to train his fellow church members on effective evangelistic practices. He plans to cover mission planning, execution, and follow-up with new converts, ensuring their outreach efforts are impactful and sustainable.

"This training has arrived at the perfect time," Malachi noted. "While many evangelistic efforts have yielded minimal results, this training equips us with the confidence and strategies to evangelize effectively, knowing our efforts will not be in vain."

Malachi extended his gratitude to African Enterprise Malawi, all the participants, and stakeholders involved in making the training successful. "I'm eagerly looking forward to the final session, and I'm excited to see how the knowledge gained will further fuel our mission," he said.

Malachi Nkhoma's journey through the 40on4 Books Evangelism Training is a testament to the profound impact of dedicated learning and its ability to inspire and elevate evangelistic endeavors. His renewed vision and commitment promise to invigorate his church's outreach efforts and contribute to a broader mission of faith.



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## Ready to Win more Souls for Christ!



Wezzie Nkhwazi, the Evangelism Secretary at the Redeemed People’s Church (RPC) in Lilongwe, has spent the past six months leading her church’s evangelism efforts. Recently, she had the privilege of attending the 40on4 Books Evangelism Training, a transformative experience she describes as inspirational and challenging.

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“I’ve gained so much from this training, and it’s been an enriching journey from start to finish,” says Wezzie. Her newly acquired skills and insights have already significantly impacted her role. Under her leadership, RPC has hosted three successful evangelistic crusades in Ntchisi and Mchinji districts, reaching over 800 people. The follow-up efforts are ongoing, with evangelists maintaining contact through meetings and calls, ensuring that new believers are nurtured in their faith.

The training, she explains, has taught her the importance of humility, love, and adaptability in evangelism. “It’s not just about preaching, but about connecting with people and understanding their needs,” Wezzie says. She is now passionate about encouraging other evangelists to pursue similar training, believing that equipping all evangelists with the tools from 40on4 will amplify their effectiveness and ensure that new converts are well-supported in their spiritual journeys.

“We must never turn down opportunities for training like this,” she urges. “If every evangelist is trained in this way, we can maximize our harvest and see more souls come to Christ.”

Wezzie is deeply grateful to African Enterprise for providing this life-changing opportunity. “As an evangelist, I am no longer the same,” she reflects. “I’m ready to go out and win more souls for Christ.”

## Faith in Action through Evangelism

Pastor Frank Haswell, a dynamic evangelist from Nanjiri under Revival Life International Ministry, was selected as a beneficiary of the 40on4 Books Evangelism Training. Grateful for the opportunity, Pastor Frank eagerly embraced the chance to enhance his ministry and deepen his evangelistic impact.

His journey began in 2013 when he accepted Christ; by 2014, he was baptized. After holding various leadership roles, including church secretary, deacon, and associate minister, Pastor Frank became a full-time evangelist in 2021. “I’ve learned so much along the way, and this training has truly boosted my confidence,” he shared.

Despite facing challenges, such as language barriers and connecting with people from diverse religious backgrounds, Pastor Frank has made remarkable strides. He has already established three thriving home churches—Nanjiri, Nayere, and Kumodzi—reaching over 1,250 people. In addition, his evangelism efforts extend to local schools, where he has reached 250 primary school students, with 75 committing to Christ.

Pastor Frank is committed to expanding his outreach, with plans to establish evangelism groups in local secondary schools. Although he hasn’t yet officially graduated from the training, he plans to train church members to share the gospel using the methods he has learned.

“Thanks to African Enterprise for this life-changing opportunity,” he said. “I encourage fellow evangelists to apply for the next training cohort and experience the transformation themselves.”



### Naphtali's Story

Reconciliation is a powerful and transformative process that restores broken relationships, bringing healing and unity where division once existed. At its core, reconciliation is essential in two primary aspects: the relationship between man and God and the relationship between man and his fellow human beings. Spiritual reconciliation with God is fundamental, as it restores the connection that sin has severed, offering grace, forgiveness, and a renewed purpose through faith. Likewise, reconciliation between individuals and communities is vital for peace, understanding, and harmony in a world often marked by conflict and division.

Ndayizeye Naphtali experienced a changed life through reconciliation in love. Ndayizeye lives in Rusizi, Butare Sector. Naphtali lived a sinful life for a long time, and the fruit of this was mismanagement of family assets, engaging in violence, and excessive drinking. Naphtali said, "What was once a happy home transformed into a battleground, leading to heartbreak and strained relationships with my wife, Claudine, and children."

Sin had crept up into Naphtali's life and had caged him in repetitive cycles that caused the whole family to live a painful, poverty-stricken lifestyle.

One day, a powerful message from AEE staff was shared, and Naphtali realized that he needed to change. Naphtali was determined to turn his life around and sought guidance from the word of God.

He began going to church regularly with his family, joined a support group for addiction, and worked tirelessly to mend the relationships he had damaged.

Through humility and love, he transformed his home into a nurturing space filled with support and understanding.

Today, Naphtali not only enjoys the love and trust of his family but also stands as a pillar in his community, sharing his story of faith and redemption. He embraces each day with gratitude, inspiring others to believe that a brighter future is always within reach, no matter how dark the past may be.

Embracing reconciliation allows for proper restoration, fostering love, forgiveness, and unity in our spiritual and human relationships.



Naphtali and his wife embrace after receiving Christ!

# Reconciled in Love



### **Donatille's Testimony of transformation through salvation**

Donatille Mukandutiye is 34 years old and married to Valens Gatashya, who is 38. Together, they live in Bugesera District and are blessed with 3 children.

Before getting salvation, Donatella used to speak rudely and disrespectfully to her husband and children. In addition to that, she didn't like going to church and used frequent corporal punishment on her children.

In March 2023, during the Jesus All About Life Evangelism campaign (JAAL) organized by AEE Rwanda Donatille, after the touching songs by the choir and convicting sermon, she decided to kneel down and receive Jesus Christ as her savior! From that time, she was enrolled with others who committed to follow preliminary church studies, preparing them to be baptized.

As the transformation continued in her life, cultivated by the Spirit of God to produce good fruit, such as gentleness, kindness, patience, goodness, and self-control, her positive behavior impacted her husband, making him consider being born again.

"From the time I received Jesus Christ, things have significantly changed. I am no longer quarreling with my husband and providing positive discipline to my children. In addition to that, my husband has declared that he wants to become a Christian. My husband got salvation; he no longer drinks beer, and I no longer quarrel with my neighbors. Consequently, I am living in harmony with them." said Donatella.

"Today, we have fellowship at home before we go to sleep, and when we get up earlier in the morning, I read the Bible and get a deeper understanding of it so that I become spiritually mature," She concluded.

**For Love**



The Soroti Mission, held from September 21-29, 2024, was a vibrant 9-day evangelistic outreach in Soroti. Organized by the African Evangelistic Enterprise in collaboration with local churches, this mission united evangelists and volunteers from diverse backgrounds, countries, and states.

Centered on Matthew 11:28-29, "Come, Find Rest in Jesus Christ," the mission aimed to bring spiritual relief to the people of Soroti. The testimonies and experiences shared during the mission underscored its urgency, as many faced challenges ranging from witchcraft to prostitution.

- Door-to-door evangelism: Sharing personal testimonies and the Gospel message with families and individuals.
- School ministry: Engaging students and teachers through interactive programs, spreading hope and inspiration.
- Open-air rallies: Proclaiming the Good News to larger gatherings, using music, drama, and preaching.
- Other scheduled programs were the leadership prayer breakfast, outreach to sex workers, prison ministry, and street children outreach.

The most remarkable outcome of the mission was the profound life transformations that took place. As people encountered the Gospel, numerous individuals renounced their old lifestyles, embracing a new life in Christ. The countless testimonies of personal transformation and healing serve as a powerful testament to the Gospel's transformative power. In a world filled with trials and tribulations, the mission's theme, "Finding Rest in Christ," was deeply pertinent. By accepting Jesus as Lord and Saviour, many found solace and began their journey of resting in Him. The evident changes in lives bear witness to the Gospel's life-altering impact.

During the Soroti mission, 21,478 individuals were reached with the gospel, and 2,617 people committed their lives to Christ. The mission significantly impacted various audiences, including schools, churches, streets, markets, and homes. Each group was approached in ways that resonated with their understanding of the message.

The Soroti mission highlighted the community's deep hunger for the word of God, with residents expressing joy at the arrival of missionaries who shared the gospel. Churches in Soroti, which had never anticipated collaborating for a single mission, united as Pentecostal and Anglican congregations worked hand in hand to ensure its success.

Additionally, the mission underscored the importance of finding rest in Christ, as referenced in Matthew 11:28-29, addressing the troubles many faced and their need for solace. The impact of the Soroti mission will continue to flourish as local churches actively follow up with the new converts.





## 82 year-old lauds Youth for serving in mission

While doing door-to-door ministry, evangelists usually encounter various people with different characters. This also means that the manner of reception is different on every encounter, and the evangelists are trained on how to respond to each situation, yet despite all the preparation, a group of youthful evangelists were amazed when they interacted with Apollo, an 82-year-old man living alone.

Apollo clarified that he genuinely thanked God for granting him a long life. He mentioned that he had witnessed the growth of his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, which he considered a profound blessing. He credited all this to accepting Christ as his personal Lord and Savior 30 years ago. He explained that throughout these years, he had walked with Christ, and for this reason, he found no excuse to miss church. He attended services every Sunday, understanding that this was where he drew his strength. He believed God had given him the grace to live all these years, so he had no qualms about living a life dedicated to serving God, even at his age.

“The only thing I can do is to give Him praise and thanks for who He is in my life. And one thing that has seriously made me so happy and all amused is that I am seeing you the young people coming to preach the word of God. Today you have reached my home. I am so overwhelmed with joy. When you look at people of my age, some of them drink and even urinate on their trousers. They do not know where they’re going. It is even the same with young people at your age, they drink, rob, live an ungodly lifestyle but you have chosen to serve God.

I’m very happy you the young people chose to share God’s word with us. You gave up your free time and other interests to do this. It’s amazing because many people your age are focused on money and fun. But some young people, especially girls, are facing big problems like abuse and exploitation. You could be doing other things, but you’re serving God instead. That makes me very joyful and thankful. I’m grateful to have lived to see young people like you making a difference.

When you go to Acholi or Lango area, you find young people referred to as “Aguu” and you ask your self, who are these “Aguu” people? (Aguu is a word that refers to someone with a shady lifestyle). When you dig deeper, you find that these are children of Christian parents who have been baptized and even confirmed, but they are doing evil things. I’m just happy that you are doing God’s work, and I ask you to come visit me from time to time.”

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### Amazing Fruit of AE's Ministry

Way back in 1975, AE conducted a Mission in the Woodlands Coloured township of Pietermaritzburg, led by its Founder, Michael Cassidy.

On one of the nights of this mission, a tall, good-looking fellow, Hilton Toohey, came forward. The Lord did a wonderful work in his heart, and he was gloriously converted to Christ. The next night, he brought his wife Rhoda, and the same thing happened to her.

Likewise, another young woman, Enrica (pictured with Michael), responded to God's calling with a dramatic change in her life thereafter.



From Hilton and Rhoda, a church called the New Zion Christian Fellowship was planted, and this then grew miraculously into a denomination called New Zion Ministries International, which now has many flourishing congregations around Southern Africa.

Enrica and her pastor husband led one of these in Ixopo near Pietermaritzburg.

On Saturday, 17 August 2024, they had a 40th-anniversary dinner celebration in Pietermaritzburg with all their leadership (see photo), at which Michael was invited to speak. It was a joyous occasion and demonstrated the amazing fruit that can come out of an AE Mission, but, as Michael commented, "it is important to remember that the power is in the SEED, not the SOWER." Praise God!



## A lifetime of Service, Michael Cassidy at 88!

The passage from Ecclesiastes highlights the profound importance of finding joy and purpose in one's work, suggesting that this fulfillment is a key aspect of the human experience. This sentiment resonates deeply within the context of Dr. Michael Cassidy's life and contributions, particularly as he reflects on his 88 years of existence.

Dr. Michael Cassidy's recent birthday celebration serves as a milestone for him personally and a profound acknowledgment of the impact he has made through the ministry he founded, African Enterprise. His gratitude towards God underscores a theme prevalent in a yielded and humble heart towards God: the understanding that one's life and work are ultimately God's enablement. During the birthday celebrations, Michael underscored the influences of his parents, siblings, and pivotal mentors in his early life, illustrating how interconnected relationships and experiences have shaped his journey.

His calling to evangelize the cities of Africa at the age of 21 signifies a clear and purposeful direction in his life. This sense of purpose is not just about personal achievement; it embodies a commitment to service and a dedication to a cause greater than oneself.

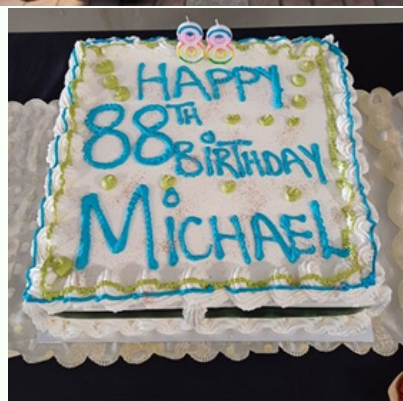
Dr. Cassidy's urge at 88 years of age was no different from his call at 21 years of age... **"the cities of Africa are our calling!"** reflecting his inextinguishable fire for the salvation of as many souls in African Cities as possible!

Moreover, Dr. Cassidy's acknowledgment of the opportunities God continues to provide in advancing this mission speaks to a dynamic relationship between faith and action. It suggests that, while individuals may have their plans and goals, an overarching divine influence guides and opens doors for meaningful work.

In celebrating his legacy, we are reminded of the importance of gratitude and recognition of those who have supported us. Dr. Cassidy's reflections invite us to consider our journeys: the work we engage in, the relationships we nurture, and the sense of purpose that drives us. In doing so, we can find a deeper appreciation for our work in life and the unique contributions we are called by God to make.



Dr. Michael Cassidy (centre) with the AE SA Team



### Grateful for you Wonderful Heart

Eswatini student Sibonakaliso Tsabedze shared his experience working with the Foxfires, the youthful arm of African Enterprise leaders and evangelists.

"You know, I have been organizing many events before, and in all, I normally get so exhausted after, with a terrible headache, and this was because I would carry everything on my own. You have come as a prayer answer for me....never have I understood what Jesus meant when he said, 'Come to me all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest'- I have felt before some heaviness, and I thought I carried the yoke of Christ which he called 'not heavy'...

You taught me how easy it is to do things together, and I have never been so rested even when I'm Organising because of working with you. My mind was all over the place when dealing with food packages because the team I had was not enough, but God uses you not just to help but also to knock some sense into me. Now I know that all I need is to be rested in God's presence, experiencing his Joy and Love while sharing that with others 😊.

You have ministered more to me with your team than you can imagine. I'm short of words, but I am personally so grateful for your wonderful heart, which is indeed after God's own heart. Continue allowing God to use you; I am so so so grateful to God, to you, and to the team 😊."



### Pulled from the fire, for such a time as this!

"My name is Fiona Sanelisiwe Dube, and I was born in Umkomaas. A few months after I was born, the house caught fire, and, unfortunately, I was inside. I was taken to the hospital, and there, my mother abandoned me. The nurse in that hospital was the one person who took me to her home and made me feel welcome. Until today, nobody knows who pulled me out of that fire, which makes me believe that I was created for such a time like this.

I grew up with no biological family; I was passed on to different families being told that "I don't belong," and hearing this as a child damaged me both mentally and spiritually. In 2013, I was introduced to a place in Durban called the LIV Village, where I was given a family to love me and a mother to take good care of me. I have lived there ever since. It is also where I received my salvation (in 2015), and since I received Jesus as my Lord and Saviour, I have never been the same. I had to learn to forgive my parents and had to forgive those families that did me wrong.

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In 2023, the Foxfire team came to the village around March, and when they did their program, I knew right then that God was calling me. I joined the team this year with the expectation of going around giving people the gospel, but then, as I carried on learning I realized that God is giving me the gospel. Here at Foxfire, I've learned how to conquer my fear, work with people in a group, and become an evangelist. If I were to speak to the young people of this generation, I would advise them that straight after high school, they join such programs because this is where God molds you into becoming what He wants you to be."



## Sweetwaters

Our team had just returned from another enriching visit to Sweetwaters, the heartwarming home of Bonginkosi. The church, a vibrant hub of the community, was filled to capacity, the air thick with applause and excitement as Sarah and Julian Dottridge stepped into the spotlight. After dedicating 40 years of their lives to the Bonginkosi project, their presence was a cherished gift, especially after their retirement just last year. The joy on the faces of the community members as they welcomed Sarah and Julian was palpable, and their heartfelt connection was truly moving.

As Sarah took the microphone, a hush fell over the crowd. She began to reflect on the extraordinary journey they had embarked on—one marked by unwavering faith and the remarkable provision of God for the people of Sweetwaters. Her words painted a vivid tapestry of memories, highlighting the commitment and dedication of both herself and Julian and Carol Cassidy and early supporters like Pat Caldwell, who, although now suffering from illness, had played a pivotal role in this mission.

The audience listened intently, their hearts swelling with gratitude and admiration for those who had poured their lives into the Bonginkosi project. It was a moment of honoring the past while celebrating the present—a beautiful acknowledgment of the sacrifices and love that had shaped the community.

A dedicated AESA Board member, Linda Grant, followed Sarah with a brief but impactful message. She spoke of the significance of friendship, emphasizing the importance of being a friend to everyone, even those we might not naturally connect with. Her words resonated deeply, echoing the spirit of unity that permeated the gathering. She introduced the Zimbabwean initiative known as ‘The Friendship Bench,’ a grassroots approach to mental health that encouraged open conversations and support within communities.

As the atmosphere buzzed with camaraderie, the Foxfires, a lively troupe of youthful evangelists known for their infectious energy, took on the stage. They led the congregation in joyful dance and song during worship, infusing the room with an undeniable spirit of celebration. But their contributions didn’t stop there; they also assisted in distributing a bounty of essentials—vegetables, nutritious maize meal, fabric bundles for the sewing group, soup mixes for the creche, and newspapers. It was a beautiful reminder of the collective effort to nurture the community.

Londeka, a passionate advocate for AESA’s initiatives, provided updates on various projects, from sewing and crocheting to knitting and beauty skills. Each initiative represented a thread in the fabric of community life, weaving together skills, empowerment, and hope.

As the day unfolded, it became clear that this visit was more than just a gathering; it was a celebration of resilience, friendship, and the enduring spirit of the Bonginkosi community. Each smile, each laugh, and each shared moment served as a testament to the love and commitment that would continue to nurture Sweetwaters for years to come.



Londeka with women from the Bonginkosi Project



A Gate that was put up during the visit

### PTC Returns to Harare

A busy and transformative week took place from October 21st to November 1st, 2024, for the 30 students enrolled in the second block of the Preliminary Theological Course (PTC) organized by AEE Zimbabwe with support from AE Australia.

This second session followed the one held in May 2024, which focused on Biblical Theology 1. During that first session, students engaged in Old Testament studies through virtual learning, led by Rev Dr. Stephen Liggins and Rev Christopher Jones from Australia, with local facilitators Antony and Vimbai Dandato guiding the discussions.

As the students gathered again for the second session, Rev Chris Jones returned to facilitate their learning. The week began with a thorough online course review in which all students participated and completed their assessments.

The focus then shifted to New Testament 1, which centered on the book of Mark. Students immersed themselves in learning, reflection, and meaningful discussions throughout the week. They also shared personal testimonies about how the training had affected their lives and ministries since the last session.

As the course drew to a close, students prepared for their final examination, and on the last day, 28 students took part in the New Testament 1 assessment. This week enriched their theological understanding and strengthened their community and commitment to their studies.



PTC students pose with PTC facilitators

### Maxwell's Story

My name is Maxwell Chipenzi. I am a student pursuing the Preliminary Theological Certificate with African Evangelistic Enterprise in Zimbabwe. Studying Biblical Theology 1 has been a transformative journey for me as a Methodist preacher and a missionary. It has deepened my understanding of God's character, His redemptive plan, and the richness of scripture more than ever before.

Through my studies, I understood the Bible's narrative arch, from creation to new creation. This has enabled me to preach and teach more clearly and help my congregation connect the dots between the Old and New Testaments.

Biblical theology has also informed my missional approach, as I now better understand the cultural and historical contexts of the communities I serve. This empathy has allowed me to tailor my message and methods to meet the unique needs of each group.

Moreover, my studies have kindled a fresh passion for God's global mission. I now see how every book of the Bible contributes to the grand story of God's redemption, and this fuels my desire to share the Gospel with all nations. As a Methodist Preacher, I have become more effective in leading my congregation in worship, discipleship, and outreach. My sermons are now more grounded in scripture, and my people respond with renewed enthusiasm and commitment.

As a missionary, I'm better equipped to engage diverse cultures and worldviews, finding common ground in our shared human experience and the universal language of God's love.

In short, studying Biblical theology has revitalized my ministry, sharpened my focus, and ignited a fresh sense of purpose. I'm grateful for this journey and look forward to growing in my understanding of God's word.

God bless you all, especially our tutors.



## 7,000 Commit to Evangelism through FRANCES



Friday, 29 August 2024, was a day to remember when Rev Dr. Brian Mugwidi, Team Leader at African Evangelistic Enterprise Zimbabwe, taught Evangelism through 'FRANCES' to over 7,000 delegates to the National Convention of the Men's Christian Union in the Methodist church in Zimbabwe. The presentation resonated with the Methodist strategic plan, which expects men to lead in church planting and spiritual revival.

The speaker, who is also a member of the men's organization, started by unpacking the Methodist Church in Zimbabwe's strategic plan, and he then challenged men to locate their place in the implementation of the strategic plan whose main thrust is on improving church growth in three dimensions, namely; geographical extension (church planting), numerically and spiritually. Getting some precepts from the organization's constitution, the speaker drew the attention of all men present towards what each one of them could do through the introduction of a new acronym, FRANCES: reaching out to your Friends, Relatives, Acquaintances, Neighbours, Colleagues, Enemies and Strangers.

In a session that became more interactive than initially planned, it became apparent that men have an essential role in improving church growth, including geographical expansion, numerical growth, and spiritual growth. Men were reminded of one of their well-thought-out programs, which was poorly executed, the Men to church program, where the Men's Christian Union had planned to lure more men to church through sports, couples' fellowships, and braai parties outside the church premises. The speaker took an opportunity to unveil an implementation matrix where men revive the program and use the activities to witness.

As the presentation ended, "men to church" became the buzzword as men rued how they missed out on an opportunity to witness their FRANCES during the men-to-church program activities. Over 7,000 men, including clergy, rose to make a commitment to making evangelism a culture in their individual capacities and as a men's organization.

## Hope Behind Bars

As a follow-up of the Mutare for Jesus mission held in May 2023, AEE Zimbabwe partnered with One Minute Witness to bring hope, transformation, and the message of Christ to those behind bars who are some of the most overlooked and marginalized communities.

Through worship services, personal testimonies, and one-on-one prayer, volunteers shared Christ's love with inmates, connecting deeply with them and allowing them to respond as a team, emphasizing that transformation is possible for anyone willing to open their hearts to Jesus.

One remarkable story from this follow-up outreach involved John serving time for theft. When he heard the volunteers share their testimonies, he was moved to open up about his struggles and past regrets. By the end of the session, John chose to give his life to Christ. His story is now one of the new hope, and the chaplain expressed gratitude for this outreach, stating,

*"For the men and women, the message of forgiveness and freedom in Christ brings a new perspective. It changes how they see themselves and interact with others inside and, hopefully, when they return to society."*

The sessions were concluded by donating and encouraging the wardens to establish regular bible study groups in the prison, allowing inmates to deepen their faith, connect, and prepare for a new life beyond the prison walls. The wardens shared eagerness to make this happen and additionally expressed that there was a need for a chapel construction, whose construction site has already been selected. Please pray for resources to make this happen so that many more inmates encounter Jesus quickly by having a special place for corporate worship.



### Paradigm shifts; from old wineskins to new ones

The pastors' fellowship in the Funa district was the first significant section targeted for the Kinshasa West Mission 2024. The Reverend Pastor Toussaint suggested that the Kinshasa was a first of its nature and unique in that uniting the whole Church to bring the whole Gospel to a community beyond their denominations and congregations was something that had never been done.

He further stated that they last gathered for mass evangelism when Benny Hinn visited the city and organized the Stadium outreach. However, when AE described the heart of the Lord for the lost and called for effective mobilization for the outreach, they all felt God was about to do a new thing in their midst.

Pastor Toussaint also mentioned that such an approach to mission (stratified evangelism), as introduced by the AE Evangelists, challenged church outreach methods that were "OLD WINESKINS." He stated that there was, therefore, a need for a paradigm shift into a "NEW WINESKIN" paradigm. He was herein referring to the gospel of Luke 5:37-39. Then, he backed up his experience by sharing the practice he had observed in their area. Any outreach done before consisted of calling people to the church meeting either in an open space or in a particular church building under a prominent preacher or around a singer, and nothing mainly structured as the stratified evangelism with the three dimensions as explained by the AE Staff—preparation, proclamation, and preservation.

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Bringing thirty local churches from different denominations, all scattered around the community, with one message of love for the people and unity for the leaders was a new paradigm. Therefore, "it must be taught to many, and more training is needed for a profound change," Pastor Toussaint insisted.

Pastor Toussaint greatly appreciated the new understanding he and his platform got concerning the two wings of evangelism in Word and Deed.

In conclusion, Pastor Toussaint, as a chairperson of the Steering committee, highly recommended the strengthening of the partnership between the fraternity and AE beyond the preservation phase.



Pastor Toussaint, chairperson of the Funa Steering committee



### Christ Changed my Life!

I am Charles Kabwe, a 45-year-old from Christ Missionary Church in the Kabanana area; I am a married pastor with 9 children.

I was a devoted Muslim for 26 years before I converted to Christianity at the age of 30 years.

I joined the Muslim religion when I was still a boy, I was trained and disciplined to live my life by Islamic law, and I attached my identity to it. Because my parents lived their lives devoted to Jesus Christ, it was difficult to live together.

As a teenager, my parents pressured me to attend church and discouraged my interest in the mosque, as well as my desire to leave the Muslim religion. However, I never wanted to do that because I identified with my Muslim upbringing.

The training and lessons (laws) of Islam were engraved in me from childhood, and I believed in all that it was the only truth to me and nothing else.

I thought that Islam was the only true religion and the rest were corrupted. Furthermore, there is only one God, and Muhammad is the only true prophet. Jesus was one of the people who came and did all that He did; that's why Christians hold him as the true Son of God.

A turning point in my life was the moment when my parents died; I felt emptiness within and spent some time away from the mosque. Nevertheless, one day, I decided to go to church and see what my parents were used to to talk about this man, Jesus Christ, and him being the son of God and the Messiah.

It was there that I encountered Jesus for myself, and I was changed just like how Saul was changed to Paul, Jacob to Israel, I too became a new person altogether, and I am now a pastor!

### Consultation on Christian Theology & Evangelism In Africa - Webinar

The Consultation on Christian Theology and Evangelism in Africa (CCTEA) webinar, organized by the African Enterprise International Institute of Evangelism (AEIIE), successfully took place on December 11 and 12, 2024. Running from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM UTC each day, the event aimed to unite diverse participants to explore critical themes related to theology and evangelism in the African context.

Focusing on four key areas, the webinar addressed:

1. The historical separation of theology and evangelism in Africa.
2. The relationship between African Traditional Religion and the theology of mission.
3. Challenges faced by immigrant churches in Western countries.
4. The integration of evangelism within theological institutions.

With a target of 500 participants, the planning for the event was meticulous, drawing in a wide range of attendees, including pastors, evangelists, church leaders, and individuals who had completed African Enterprise’s 40 on 4 evangelism training. The response was overwhelming, with 740 individuals registering from 27 countries, showcasing a significant international interest in matters of mission and evangelism, particularly from and on the African continent.

The webinar featured a distinguished line-up of speakers, including renowned evangelists and theologians such as Dr. Antoine Rutayisire, Rev. Can. Dr. John Senyonyi, and Prof. Tite Tienou. Their insights and expertise enriched the discussions, fostering an interactive environment where participants could engage meaningfully.

The engagement was further enhanced through a WhatsApp group established for efficient communication with 210 active members. Over the two days, 680 Zoom accounts logged in, with peak attendance reaching 252 participants simultaneously.

During the sessions, participants actively engaged in real-time discussions via the chat feature, posing relevant and thought-provoking questions later compiled for the speakers to address. This interactive element highlighted the participants’ commitment to deepening their understanding of the issues.

In summary, the CCTEA webinar not only met its registration goals but also facilitated a rich exchange of ideas and experiences among Christian leaders across the globe, emphasizing the importance of collaboration in addressing the challenges of theology and evangelism in Africa.



Prof. Rosemary, Dr. Sam George and Dr. Yaw handling the conversation on the issue of immigrant churches in the West



Dr. Paul Ssembiro from Uganda Christian University in Uganda handling a session during the webinar



Emmanuel Kwizera shared the heart of the CCTEA webinar sessions.

### Church Revitalization Training for AE Team Leaders

In a significant effort to enhance evangelism within local churches, African Enterprise (AE) has been actively working to provide a comprehensive framework that integrates both theoretical and practical aspects of evangelism. From July 9th to 17th, 2024, the International office of AE organized a series of training sessions in Nairobi, aimed at equipping 12 country team leaders with essential tools and insights.

This training introduced the concept of Church Evangelism Revitalization alongside the new Church Transformational Churches (CTC) Manual. It marked a vital continuation of the Church Evangelism Revitalization program that started in September 2023. The initial phase of this program brought together over 55 AE team leaders, mission staff, and long-standing associates from African Enterprise Kenya for "Church Evangelism Revitalization Part 1," which took place from September 4th to 6th, 2023.



The training sessions were led by Professor Rick Richardson from Wheaton College in Illinois and AEI Missions Director Mr. Emmanuel Kwizera. Their expertise guided participants through the BLESS your FRANCES (**F**riends, **R**elatives, **A**cquaintances, **N**eighbours, **C**olleagues, **E**nemies, **S**trangers), methodology for increasing personal evangelism and building an evangelistic and disciple making culture in the local church.

AE seeks to empower local churches across Africa to embrace this mission of making disciples. As AE continues to invest in trainings and resources, we hope to ensure that local churches are well-equipped to carry out their evangelistic mandates effectively.



### Launch of the African Church Evangelism Institutes (ACEI Cohort 1) July 2024

While the conversation around the Church Evangelism Institute began in the year 2022 with AEI and the Billy Graham Centre, the launch of the first African Cohort of Church Evangelism Institute under African Enterprise International Institute of Evangelism happened in July, 2024.

The training was facilitated by Professor Rick Richardson the Director of the Church Evangelism and Research Institutes for the Wheaton College Billy Graham Centre, who spoke on how to revive the local church into a 24/7 mission and evangelism hotspot.

Pastor John K. Jenkins, Sr., the Senior Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Glenarden was also present during the training and he talked about the importance of a disciple-making evangelistic culture in the local church.

The AE International Missions Director, Emmanuel Kwizera who has gone through the cohort also facilitated the Vision of ACEI and the partnership with Billy Graham Centre.

The two-day workshop converged 14 key leaders of different denominations in Kenya, Rwanda, and Ghana and focused on the emphasis of ACEI: Every Disciple Making a Disciple. This training culminated in an ACEI breakfast and official launch on Wednesday 10th July which was attended by over 70 key church leaders from churches in Nairobi city as well as AE Team Leaders and staff.

During the launch, Emmanuel Kwizera termed this approach as simple and practical, and shared on the impact the BLESS your FRANCES tool had in his church and with his senior pastor at Wheaton Community Church. He emphasized the fact church growth can be achieved by simply changing the culture of that particular church.



**“Whenever leaders want culture change, they have to start by modelling the change they want to see in their church or their people”  
- Prof Rick Richardson**



Pastor Liliose Kaligirwa, a founder of Omega Ministries church in Rwanda is part of the cohort African Cohort said that she was challenged by Rick’s message on the importance of sharing your story every week. In her own her words she said, “ *With the growth of the church, I kept asking God what should I do so as to see less consumers, and grow more ministers? Now I know that the culture of evangelism will help me change things.*”

African Enterprise CEO, Dr. Stephen Mbogo made remarks on the need for leaders to not only engage in organizing the missions but also be involved and by doing so, become models of an evangelistic culture that they want to see in their organization and church. He further stated that “*In our context, oftentimes the church leaders are left behind as the youth and beginners go out to evangelize. This training brings out the need for the leaders to model personal evangelism, as the main thing to do and therefore should challenge everyone to prioritize personal evangelism.*”



# 2025 Missions

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## **AE Zimbabwe**

**March 29 -7 April, Chinhoyi Mission**

## **AEE Rwanda**

**April 28 - May 4, Huye Student Mission**

## **AEE Kenya**

**May 15 - 25, Nakuru Mission**

## **AE Zambia**

**July 4 -13, Kabwe Mission**

## **AE DRC**

**August 16 - 23, Kinshasa**

## **AE Ghana**

**September 5 -14, Greater Accra Mission**

## **AE South Africa**

**May 28th - 1 June, Mthata Mission**

**September 18 - 28, Gaborone (Botswana)**

## **AEE Uganda**

**September 21 - 27, Lira Mission**

## **AE Malawi**

**October 24 - Nov 2, Mzuzu**

## **AEE South Sudan**

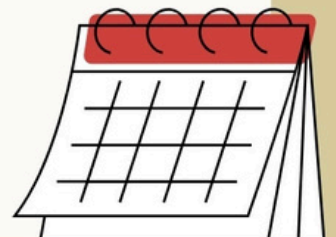
**November 21 - 30, Juba Mission**

## **AEE Tanzania**

**November 27 -7th Dec, Arusha Mission**

## **Ethiopia**

**December 20 - 28, Adama City**





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