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#### **NEWS AND NEEDS**

#### BIM:

Thank you to all who supported the BIM last year. We pray you will continue to aid in the training of preachers this year as well. May God bless you all as you continue to labor for Him each day.

#### Zambia:

The longstanding need of the work in Zambia is monthly support. If there is a congregation or an individual who would like to support this work that began in 1988 and continues to train faithful gospel preachers for Southern Africa, we need your help. Please consider giving what you can to help take care of our monthly deficit which now stands at over \$1,000. Our appreciation to those who have given one-time gifts throughout the years to keep the work going. May God bless you.

#### **Uganda:**

Presently, we have been instructed to paint our whole facility because of Covid. The cost will be \$1,700. If anyone can help with this expense, it would be greatly appreciated. We cannot open school without painting these almost new buildings. Thank you for your consideration of this need. To help please mark all donations "Uganda Paint Project."

#### Ghana:

We thank you very much for great support in our needs this year. In the coming months we need to address the fact that we are still under budget each month with monthly support. Hopefully, in the near future, you will be able to consider this need and help as able so that we can finally meet our monthly budget.

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ONE NEWSLETTER

## "Global News"

Jerry Sullins

"GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE. HE WHO BELIEVES AND IS, BAPTIZED WILL BE SAVED; BUT HE WHO DOES NOT BELIEVE WILL BE CONDEMNED." MARK16:15-16

Every Bible student knows that these were the marching orders of Jesus to His disciples before his ascension to the Father above. This charge was passed on to all of His followers through His Apostles as they were to teach all converts to "observe" all of the teachings of the Master. Today, as His followers, we have the same command by Christ to go and seek and save the lost. Our mission at GSOBS is to do what we can to fulfill this "Great Commission." In 1988 the first school was established in Botswana which later was moved to Zambia in 1995. In 2003, the East Africa School of Biblical Studies was established in Uganda, East Africa. In that same year, the Bible Institute of Missouri began here in the United States.

During 1978-1981, Edith, I and the children were missionaries in Kenya, East Africa. During that period of time, we were able to not only help plant churches, but we began to realize how much of Africa would be reached if we followed the plan revealed to us in the scriptures. That plan is to "commit the Word of God to faithful men who would be able to teach others" (2 Timothy 2:2). We returned to Africa in 1988 to establish a preacher training school in Botswana. Our love for Kenya has never ceased and our desire to establish a school in that country has always been in our thoughts and prayers.

Recently, a seminar was held by Samson Omutele, a 1992 graduate of the school in Botswana. Eleven graduates of several of our schools met in Kenya to establish an evangelism team to convert Kenya. They will be meeting three times a year to discuss and implement plans of evangelism throughout that country. Three of these men were those who were trained in Botswana in the 1990's. Our hope to assist the spreading of the gospel in that great country.

We will keep you posted on the progress of this new effort.



#### **Since 2003**

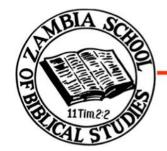
## Springfield, Missouri

Believe it or not, 2021 is in full swing now. Likewise, things are already in full swing in this new year at the Bible Institute of Missouri. Third quarter started on January 4, 2021 and is now already half over. After the first four weeks of instruction, the students have a research week. During this week, they work on writing sermons, completing long-term projects, and doing any other homework that is due. This week is followed up by four more weeks of instruction. Then the quarter is wrapped up with final exams. A ten-week quarter may seem long at the beginning, but it truly goes by so quickly each time.

The students are presently taking the following:
Corinthians Numbers/Deuteronomy

Hermeneutics Denominational Doctrines English Grammar 3 Preacher and His Work 3

Consider this passage: "God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind" (2 Tim. 1:7). Contextually, Paul was exhorting Timothy. He prayed for him (1:4) and knew he had genuine faith (1:5). He did not want Timothy to neglect his gift of God (1:6). He also did not want him to be ashamed of suffering (1:8). Rather, he was to remember the purpose of Christ's coming (1:9-10). The thought of death was *not* to fill his mind but life and immortality were (1:10). Paul was a preacher who suffered (1:11), but he held on whole-heartedly to the promises of Christ (1:12). In this context, Timothy was instructed not to live in fear, but to "hold fast the pattern of sound words . . . in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus" (1:13). Preachers (and all Christians) are not to live in fear, but they are to do what God has instructed, have faith in His promises, and live each day in sacrificial love. Let go of the spirit of cowardice. Living in fear is *not* living.



## **Since 1988**

# Zambia



Zambia School of Biblical Studies graduating class of 2020

We are happy to announce that the 16th class of students started on February 2nd of this year. This class is made up of 26 students which is currently the maximum. Due to the pandemic, all the students are from Zambia and the brethren will be meeting in the church building so that social distancing can be practiced. Thankfully, our last class could finish in 2020 for the new class to start this year. Prayers are requested for the faculty and students as they begin this two-year training program.

Recently, two more have been baptized into Christ in Kasungula. Webby Kenabanyama, one of our instructors, planted this congregation about three years ago. Brother Webby uses the new work as a place where our students can go and preach for further training. Our students go each Sunday to help and assist in the evangelism of the surrounding areas outside of Livingstone.

The Lord willing, in July of this year or early August, we will be making a trip to Zambia to hold the official graduation of the 2020 class and hold a Seminar for past students which we strive to do every two years. Pray that the Lord will soon open doors for travel to Africa again. Our presence is very much needed to maintain a proper oversight of the work.



## **Since 2003**

# **Uganda**

Since March of last year classes have been suspended due to the Covid pandemic that has affected the whole world. The President of Uganda has now officially announced that schools may begin again on March the 1st of this year. Throughout this past year, we have continued to give scholarships to the 18 students from Uganda and Kenya who had completed their first year of training and had begun their second year. Brother Alex Barasa, school director, says that all students from Uganda and Kenya will be in class on March 1st. This is great news! In November of this year, we will conduct their graduation ceremony. Please pray for the opening and continuance of the studies.

Recently, the transformer for the school which we purchased from the government a year ago blew up. We had paid over 8,000 dollars to get electricity to the school and purchase the transformer. As expected, the government does not guarantee a replacement. We had to find a transformer from an independent company so we could have a warranty. Another \$4,000 had to be raised for the new transformer. I am happy to report that two families have provided the funds for the replacement of the transformer. They are the children of the Ralph Henley who served as missionaries in Israel for years and were responsible for the advancement of the church in Georgia decades ago. Our gratitude is extended to the families of Matthew Henley, Clay Henley, and Clinton Henley for fulfilling this need. The transformer should be in place by the time the school reopens. Also, the President has said we must repaint the whole facility before classes can begin. Our appreciation is extended to all supporters of this good work.



## **Since 2017**

# Ghana



God continues to bless our work in Ghana and on January 26 we began our third class at the Missouri Institute of Biblical Studies Ghana. We have had a few delays of student arrivals due to Covid and travel, but at this time we have 8 men who are present and training to become heralds of God's Word. At this time, we have 5 married students and 3 unmarried. We do hope a few more will show up soon, so continue to pray that things will work out for them to be able to journey to the school. As far as our teaching staff, they continue to do a great job. Currently our teachers include Brothers Williams Anarfi, James Acheampong, and Henry Owusu. Please keep all these good students and workers in your daily prayers that they may all grow together in the knowledge and wisdom of God.

We were also able to pay our rent for the school



The students in the classroom.

facility and two of the teachers' homes. Thank you all for helping with these needs. Lord willing, we will someday

have our own facility where we will not be burdened with monthly rent needs. Praise be to God for the future of His work in Ghana continues to look great.