

## REPORT of visits in Kenya

*"When he arrived there and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced" hd 11:23*

Dear brothers and sisters,

My wife and I had the privilege of going on another mission trip together to Kenya from 16 April to 5 May. We are very grateful to the Lord, as He gave us this opportunity, the strength and health to be able to give Bible studies in different places for 3 weeks, using PowerPoint presentations.



We started Bible studies in Mombasa to 40 students - and their two teachers - from a secondary school, in the classroom, which local brothers and sisters rent for their meetings.

The theme was Genesis 1 to 4.

This allowed us to cover topics such as:

The Creator and creation, man and woman, marriage, sin, redemption and reconciliation, the Seed (Christ), family life, worship.

We wrote a workbook with questions that students could answer in groups. After group discussions, the questions were discussed with all participants and there was an opportunity to ask questions.



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The students followed the introductions with great interest, were very diligent in the group discussions and also had many questions.

On the first weekend, we went through the gospel of Matthew with the brothers and sisters of the assembly in Mombassa. For this, we used the workbook we (Brother John Redekop and I) also used last year in Uganda.

On Monday, we discussed many spiritual and practical things in the annual meeting of the administrative group of brothers in Kenya, namely Christian Literature and Help



Service (CLAHS-KE). As in their neighbouring countries, these brethren are very conscious of the distinction between CLAHS-KE on the one hand and local assemblies on the other.

Over the next two days, we continued our Bible study with the aforementioned

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students. We then covered Genesis 3 and 4, both practically and in connection with the teaching on man, woman and Christ and the Church in Eph. 5.

The headmistress of the school herself came to watch and listen. She is very moved by the plight of the students at her school, 75 per cent of whom are Muslim students. She indicated that this is her field of work for the Lord and that she tries to reach out to Muslims, showing the love of the Lord. She said that Bible studies are even held in some of the Muslims' homes. The two teachers, who are also believers, told



Wim and Willie, local brothers and teachers



Expression of gratitude: a live rooster

that among the students attending the Bible studies, there were also two Muslim girls who had converted to God and believed in the Lord Jesus as their Saviour, but were still just growing up in a Muslim family.

After the Bible studies, we were asked whether we could also provide regular Bible studies via Zoom from the Netherlands, at their school. We are looking into how to arrange that. The farewell was warm and moving. The pupils expressed their deep gratitude by giving us a live rooster.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, we travelled with brothers Owieno Richard, Onyango Richard, Omwenga Norman and Mutavi Charles to the village of Mwambo, a village south of Mombassa, on the edge of the jungle. The subject of the Bible studies was gathering to the Name of the Lord. The local brothers and sisters had requested this because they desire starting breaking of bread in the villages of Mwambo and Mwanguli.



On the road to Mwambo and Mwanguli Bible



studies in a tent

We met in a rented tent, because so far the brothers and sisters there both in Mwambo and Mwanguli have not yet built their own rooms from local materials, but meet under a tree.

We were impressed by the attention with which these brothers and sisters followed the Bible studies, but also by the fact that they already knew so many spiritual songs. Even the small children already knew many songs (translations of the collection "Spiritual Songs" in Swahili) by heart.

On the first day of the week, we were again able to proclaim the Lord's death in Mombassa. In the afternoon, together with brother Onyango Richard, we flew to Nairobi as we were to fly to Lodwar early the next morning to continue from there to Kakuma, a large refugee camp (280,000 refugees).

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At this camp, some 80 young people had come for Bible studies on, again, Genesis 1 to 4. There was a lively attention and they asked a lot of questions.

The next day, the hall was filled with women. The topic with them were some of the Lord's encounters with women in the gospel to John. The Lord tells a woman in chapter 4 that the Father seeks worshippers, in chapter 11 that He is the resurrection and is the life and in chapter 20 He says, "Go to my brethren and say to them, 'I ascend to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God'".



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We then used Ephesians 5 to show what God's Word says about marriage and family life. When we gave opportunity to ask questions, we heard poignant stories of believing women. They asked us to pray for them.

At the camp, we also met a young brother who was evangelising and giving Bible studies there. He was very interested in the truth gathering to the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Our local brothers are keeping in touch with him and will provide him with the necessary reading material. We pray that the Lord will take him further and bless the work he is doing.

After the return flight from Lodwar to Nairobi, we travelled directly to the town of Tala, a good two-hour drive east of Nairobi. However, due to heavy rains and flooding, we had to take a different route through the mountains. We were grateful for the

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your many prayers, as rain and fog and a very bad road meant it was not a calm journey.

In Tala, using a PowerPoint presentation and workbooks, we addressed 40 questions on gathering to the Name of The Lord. We ask prayer for these brothers and sisters, who through home visits by brothers Onyango Richard and Omwenga Norman "have heard the word of truth, the gospel of their salvation, and have faith in Christ ....." (Eph. 1:12,13)

On the last weekend, we were in Nairobi and dealt with the same topic , as the brothers and sisters had not long ago started proclaiming the L o r d 's death. In the afternoon of that first day of the week , we said goodbye to fly back from Nairobi to the Netherlands in the night. We are grateful that we were able to do this work in fellowship with you again through your prayers and support, the Lord made it possible for us to make this trip and that we arrived home safe and sound.

Thank you very much for that, it is *"a fragrant aroma, a pleasant, God-pleasing offering"*.  
*"But my God will supply all your need according to the riches in glory in Christ Jesus" Fp 4:18,19.*

The brothers with whom we were privileged to make this journey together and the brothers and sisters we were privileged to meet I convey their heartfelt greetings.

United in our Lord and Saviour

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