

'PRAY FOR KENYA' - June 2023

24 Saturday Today we have the **Parenting Workshop** about *Caring for Parents* from 1 Timothy 5:8. We must be careful to look after those who bore and provided for us when we were young and needy and especially when they are old and helpless. Michael Maura of Bethesda Baptist will be teaching. Do pray that it will be profitable day.

25 Sunday Ministry Today: DK concludes his series on *Wisdom*. MI is preaching in the morning from Romans 9:6-8, *Not all Israel is Israel!* KN will be preaching in the afternoon from 2 John 1:10-13. We have Family Fellowship and Youth Meeting in the afternoon.

26 Monday Ken Koome has been studying at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids (MI) and is bringing his wife Elizabeth to Kenya in July for the first time after their marriage. He will be helping MI to teach the Doctrine of the Church. We pray for them as they assess the possibility of settling down in Kenya.

27 Tuesday Vacation Bible School for kids went very well with almost 100 children attending. The Lord provided enough teachers and materials to make the five days most enjoyable. We are hoping to have another VBS in August and December as well as the Youth Camp since we are now back to the normal school calendar.

28 Wednesday **KU** visited Kenya in May and utilized several private and public platforms for fellowship and ministry. Thank God for the safety and also pray for the book, *Planted By The Providence of God* which our brother has written and will be released soon.

29 Thursday 1) Pray that the Reformed pastors in Kenya will be enabled to work together. We had a warm pastors' fellowship at Buruburu Baptist on 30th May. 2) We have had several weddings and children being born in our midst this year. We are very thankful for this. We pray that the expectant sisters in our midst would know God's upholding mercies.

30 Friday The economic situation in **Kenya** is increasingly tough. Please pray that the Christians will be godly in these tough times. Pray that the political leadership will not provoke the citizenry by over-taxing them while allowing runaway corruption to continue. The Shakahola Cult death toll stands at 243 by the end of May. A man worshipped with us on 21st May who claimed that his wife went there with their four children who are reported missing. Thankfully she was found alive.

EA = Eric Abwao, MI = Murungi Igweta, DK = Dominic Kabaria (Pastors of TBC Nairobi);

KU = Keith Underhill (former pastor TBCN, now in Liverpool, UK)

TBC = Trinity Baptist Church; TBCN = TBC Nairobi; TPC = Trinity Pastors' College

RBAK = Reformed Baptist Association of Kenya

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1 Thursday **TBC Family Day** is happening today. We shall spend the day together in fellowship, singing, eating, and drinking and playing different games. We hope today's hangout will be a day when the many new members may be integrated into the life of the church, as young and old get to know each other at a close range. We trust God for both edification and fun in one day!

2 Friday **Baptisms:** Two young men were baptised last month. A few more professions of faith have been reported and we thank God for extending his grace to save his elect among us. What a blessing to know that the Lord is crowning our labours in the gospel. We look forward to seeing more people come to faith.

3 Saturday **Ladies' Breakfast** is happening early morning today. Our sisters are dealing with the subject of *Christian Contentment*. We thank God for the growth witnessed in many sisters who are keen on ministry to one another. Please pray for the older ladies to teach the younger ones.

4 Sunday **Ministry Today:** DK begins a series on *Christian Wisdom* for the adult SS. MI began Romans 9 last week and today will be dealing *The Privileges of Israelites* (Rom. 9:4-5). In the afternoon he will deal with Micah 7:8-10. There is new membership interview today when we will decide on 5 who had shared their testimonies last month and listen to the testimonies of 2 more who are requesting to join the membership.

5 Monday (1) Providence Baptist Church new location has attracted a few new people since it is more accessible. (2) MI and two other brothers are travelling to South Nyanza tomorrow with a view of encouraging the work for a few days. One of our deacons, Martin Omondi lost his father. The funeral is on Saturday 10th, when MI will be preaching.

6 Tuesday **TPC** Classes went well with MI teaching Church History in Africa. Naphtally Ogallo ably taught World Religions and Cults & Heresies. All but one student were present. Two men were auditing the classes and were interviewed for the 2024 admissions. A brother from Nigeria has applied with his pastors' recommendation to join the TPC next year. He also wants pastoral internship.

7 Wednesday MI and the team is visiting Got Orango and Thimlich today in South Nyanza. This is the first visit since Elisha Ouma became the leader at the church in Thimlich. The plan is to encourage these brethren to remain steadfast in being ambassadors of Christ. Tomorrow, there will be more time with the saints at Nyakwaka and Osani before leaving on Friday.

8 Thursday The work among the **Rendille**. We continue to pray for these brothers as they labour for Christ. We saw both Ogom and Silamo last month as they had to come for different reasons. The rains have changed the landscape of the land.

9 Friday (1) **The Meaty Forum** is dealing with a global problem today of *Sexualisation of Culture* through the various media – internet, entertainment (movies), etc. Please pray for the panelists who include TBC elders and Michael Maura, Bethesda Baptist Pastor. (2) MI and his team will visit the brethren in Kisumu area before proceeding to Siaya. (3) EA is hoping to preach at University of Nairobi – Medical School tonight.

10 Saturday (1) The **Dine & Listen**, evangelistic dinner was well attended last month. Pastor Joe Thwagi of Upendo Gospel Community Church preached on *God does not believe in atheism*. We thank God for these opportunities of preaching the gospel to our own relatives. We have seen some of the members' siblings come to faith in the recent past and it is something to praise the Saviour about. (2) Today MI is preaching at the funeral of the father of one of our deacons called Martin via translator.

11 Sunday **Ministry Today:** DK continues with his SS class on *Wisdom*. EA is preaching in both services from the book of Jonah. A few baptisms will be done today. Meanwhile, MI will be in Siaya Town preaching at the church, where Roy Omondi and Charles Abwok are the pastors.

12 Monday **APC Conferences** took place in South Africa last month. Isaac Makashinyi, one of the speakers, had to leave mid-way because of unfortunate deaths of some of his church members in a road carnage. He shepherds Emmasdale Baptist in Lusaka. More APCs are coming up in Zambia and Malawi. Then we have Kenyan second run in July.

13 Tuesday 1) The church in Katilu (Turkana) led by Isaac Erot have been trusting the Lord to provide for the construction of their church building. 2) The Kasei Church in Pokot desires to begin a Bible college to train local men for gospel ministry.

14 Wednesday (1) **Miathene** – There are wrangles within their eldership which need to be resolved urgently. Please pray for much wisdom as we hope to be of help to them. (2) The work in **Isiolo Town** is taking shape well with about 3 families and a group of young people. We pray for Ebenezer as he leads the work.

15 Thursday We thank God for the ministry of **Eric Abwao**. We praise God that the whole family got US visa, and it is now confirmed that this is God's will for them. He begins his leave today. He will be putting things in order as he relocates his family to the US next month. On the 16th July we shall have his send off and will greatly miss the family for the next four years.

16 Friday GRBC in Ruiru under the leadership of Paul Gachungi is progressing well. He is due to relocate his family to live within the property at the end of this month. We thank God for the generosity of the brother. More than 30 people gather for worship every Sunday, with 21 members and two more applications are being processed.

17 Saturday **Elders & Deacons meeting** is taking place this morning. We pray that the Lord will give grace and wisdom as we seek to navigate the various needs of the church. We thank God for providing for us financially.

18 Sunday **Ministry Today:** DK is teaching the SS on *Christian Wisdom*. DK is also preaching in the morning from 1 John 5. and KN in the afternoon from 2 John 1:7-9. Men and Women Fellowship will take place in the afternoon. Meanwhile MI will be resting as he works towards preparing for the TPC Classes and grading the students work for the course taught in March. EA will preach at GBC Kericho.

19 Monday We had a successful congregation meeting on the 20th May. We sadly lost 4 members; three requested to transfer their membership to other churches and one was excommunicated. We thank God for the unity of mind in the church. DK got a 100% approval in his first triennial review.

20 Tuesday **The Coast:** 1) Boyani: George Mwanjisi leads this church. 2) GMA, Maweni Mombasa is lead by Barnabas Olare. 3) Utakaso Bible Church (Mishomoroni) by Ibrahim Katana, a TPC student leads this work. Katana has recently been bereaved of his brother – the second in less than 6 months. 4) Francis Baya is another TPC student who shepherds a church in Mtwapa.

21 Wednesday **TBC Elders** had a successful two-day retreat in which they, among other things worked on a Missions Policy. Conrad Mbewe has been so helpful in giving us their own missions policy so that we do not need reinvent the wheel. We have been working towards training & sending men to plant independent churches.

22 Thursday The **Biblical Counselling** training in July with DM from Grand Rapids will be take two weeks. The first week will be basic – Introduction to Biblical Counselling and the second week will cover more advanced aspects of Biblical Counselling. Certificates will be awarded for each course. We trust the Lord that this will be used of the Lord to strengthen church members to be competent to counsel each other.

23 Friday (1) The church in **Chwele** has reported a conversion of a Muslim lady last month. Isaiah Juma and Samuel Waswa continue to preach the gospel. (2) Martin Mukoyan is still leading the work in **Bungoma Town**. They pray for the provision of a church building since they now have land registered in the name of the church.