

'PRAY FOR KENYA' - July 2023

25 Tuesday APC conference is happening today and tomorrow in Nairobi. Please pray for the speakers that the Lord may bless their labours. We thank God for the grace given to these brothers. Remember DK as he is the manager.

26 Wednesday (1) We are working towards publishing **KU's** book, *Planted By The Providence of God* in Kenya. We hope that the book will encourage more church planting efforts. (2) **Peter Hogue** is leaving Cody WY today, to settle in Kenya permanently. Please pray that the Lord will make his path straight and provide for his needs financially. He is due to be married on the 25th August to a Kenyan lady.

27 Thursday **TBC Leaders' Meeting** is happening today, with all pastors from churches that operate under the TBC registration meeting to rethink our missions and church planting strategy. We hope to encourage churches to work harder at registering their churches with the government so that they can move to be autonomous: self-governing, self-supporting, and self-propagating under divine providence.

28 Friday The Finance Bill 2023 was passed by parliament last month and immediately accented by the president. It increased and introduced new taxation measures making the cost of living higher. Many Kenyans are greatly discouraged, but we pray that Christians will handle it well, knowing that we have no abiding city!

29 Saturday **GBC Eldoret** added two brothers to the eldership (Moses Magana and Remmy Wasike) since Naphtally was the lone elder after Paul Keno went to **Kericho**. The church in Kericho will be constituted on the 9th July. We thank God for his gracious care upon the gospel work in Kenya. We thank God for these brothers.

30 Sunday We thank God that the **Pastor's Fraternal in Nairobi** is taking shape with about 10 churches interested and as many pastors in regular fellowship. In June it took place at Emmanuel Baptist and this month it will be at Grace Community Church in Ruiru (different from GRBC, Ruiru) and then in August it will be at TBC in Donholm.

31 Monday **The Davidsons**: Julia's father, Paul Swieringa, underwent a successful spinal surgery last month and is still recuperating. The family has gone through various trials in June, but the Lord has upheld them by his righteous omnipotent hand. Please pray they will secure the full support and blessing of their church and other likeminded churches for financial support to be able to relocate to Kenya to do God's work.

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 Saturday **Men's Breakfast** is happening early morning today. More than 20 men gathered to consider how they may become *Men of Fortitude in Leadership*. MI was officiating and preaching at a wedding of a former member, who is under discipline but who, thankfully, is in the process of restoration.

2 Sunday **Ministry Today**: MI began a series on *Marriage, Divorce & Remarriage* for the adult SS. He also preached in the morning service from Romans 9:6-8, *Not all Israel is Israel*. DK preached in the afternoon from 2 Samuel 7:18-29 on *Standing on the Promises of God*.

3 Monday The Basic **Biblical Counselling** course led by Dave Merck began today with about 20 people from different churches attending. MI also helped teach for two hours. The basic course will run up to Friday. We thank God that Dave and Nedra arrived safely last week on Wednesday and have settled in well.

4 Tuesday **Ken & Elizabeth Kiambati** leave Grand Rapids for Nairobi tonight. This is the first time Elizabeth is visiting Kenya. We pray that she would also fall in love with the country and the people of her husband and want to desire to spend the rest of their lives serving the Lord here.

5 Wednesday MI and Nick Okong'o visited the churches in South Nyanza; Osani, Wath Orango, Thimlich and Nyakwaka and preached there, between 7th and 9th. We thank God for his work of grace in these churches. A report was prepared which is attached with this PD. We thank God for the privilege of encouraging these saints.

6 Thursday The **Rendille** people continue to hear of the wonders of the love of Christ as the gospel is proclaimed by Ogom, Silamo, Godana and Nadesol. The Lord crowned their labours with two conversions. Brother Nadesol's son Arobo, a college student in Thika, was baptized on 11th June. May the Lord be ever praised!

7 Friday (1) **The Meaty Forum** is dealing with the issue of *Mental Health* and the panelists include Dave Merck. Please do pray that this will come along way in helping people grapple with such problems in a biblical manner to the honour of Christ. It will be live-streamed on our YouTube channel - [@tbcnairobi](https://www.youtube.com/@tbcnairobi).

8 Saturday On the 9th MI and Nick visited Simon Ochieng and his family in **Funyula** where they found, much sickness in the family. Mary, his wife; Andrew his son, and Ann, their daughter, were all sick and hospitalised. Only Simon and the youngest son, Timothy were well. Please pray for them as this may have depleted any savings they had. May the Lord prosper the gospel work there as they proclaim Christ.

9 Sunday Ministry Today: MI continues with SS on *Biblical Understanding of Divorce*. He will preach in the morning from Romans 9:9-13 on *God's Purpose of Election*. He will also preach in the afternoon from Micah 7:11-17 on *Fear the Lord!* We shall also have one person baptized during the morning service.

10 Monday The **Advanced Biblical Counselling course** will continue for the rest of the week. This week we shall deal with Medical Issues in Counselling among other things. We thank God for the strength given to Dave so far and entrust him to the Lord as he labours throughout this week.

11 Tuesday TPC classes on the Doctrine of the Church begins tomorrow, with MI and Ken teaching. We also are working through new admissions. We thank God for two brothers from Central Kenya, Cyrus Ndung'u and Steve Okong'o who are joining up with us for pastoral internship as we prepare them for church planting in Central.

12 Wednesday (1) **Miathene** – The problems in Miathene have sadly persisted. MI worshipped with them on 25th June. (2) The work in **Isiolo Town** is progressing well under the leadership of Ebenezer. 10-15 people gather every Sunday. He has opportunities to teach God's word in schools and colleges. He has recently forged a relationship with the Anglican pastor with the hope of reaching to Muslims in the town. He needs a motorcycle to reach various points in the vast town.

13 Thursday **Ken** will join up with MI today for the **Ecclesiology** class. We hope to expose him to some of the ministries of TBC as they prayerfully consider the next step in their lives. We have extended a call to him.

14 Friday **GRBC** in **Ruiru** under the leadership of Paul Gachungi is progressing well. Paul relocated his family to the church property on the 30th June. A few more families and people have joined up with them and the growth of the church is evident. We pray that the Lord will be pleased to save his elect and increase them.

15 Saturday (1) **Wedding** bells are being primed up for three weddings next month. Almost 10 weddings are on the pipeline for the rest of the year. (2) Sq's wife and two daughters fled Somal1a on 30th June by road for 7 days to join up with him. He has now professed faith and desires baptism. We pray their conversions and that they would love the church as well. (3) We have evangelism in the afternoon today.

16 Sunday **Ministry Today:** MI continues with the Sunday School on *Remarriage after Divorce?* Ken will preach in the morning service while Dave will preach in the afternoon. We have the send-off for the Omondi family who travel to the US later tonight. We entrust them to God's grace and look forward to receiving them back after the completion of the studies. We pray that they will settle down well in Greenville, SC with the help of the saints at Grace Baptist Church of Taylors.

17 Monday On 10th June, MI preached at the funeral of the father of Martin Omondi (one of the deacons). The following day, six TBC members worshipped with the brethren at the church in **Siaya Town**. MI preached on being *Disciple-making disciples* from Matthew 28:19-20. (2) **Dave & Nedra** leave tonight for Grand Rapids. We thank God for their ministry.

18 Tuesday (1) **TPC Classes** will be concluding tomorrow with MI teaching on the various aspects of the church. We pray that the students will faithfully labour in their studies back home. (2) On 18th June he was preaching at the nearby Buruburu Baptist, that is moving in a reformed direction. Please pray for the pastor, **Charles Maina** who is also a TPC student since he has a lot of error and practices to uproot.

19 Wednesday The second leg of **APC Conferences** begin today in Mumias, and then Meru, Nairobi and finally Mombasa. DK is the conference manager, and driver. We have two pastors from the US, Carey Kimbrell and Mark Gervais and the last two conferences will also have Conrad Mbewe speaking on *God's Design for the Church* from his own new book by the same title!

20 Thursday The churches in **Ukambani** under our oversight, Community Baptist Church, **Kima** (Maurice Omondi) and **Vote** (Benson Nyamai) are both struggling. Please pray that the Lord will provide for them in every way to remain a light in their communities, to shine forth for the glory of Christ.

21 Friday (1) The church in **Chwele** led by Isaiah Juma and Samuel Waswa has shown a fair amount of growth with new visitors every Sunday. Last month a family from Uganda joined up with them. (2) Martin Mukoyan is still leading the work in **Bungoma Town**. Both churches are in financial need to develop their properties. Chwele has an incomplete building.

22 Saturday (1) Nick Teka in **Kitale** was sick last month with malaria but the Lord restored him. Please remember them as they continue for the sake of Christ. (2) Patricko Odhiambo and his family are seriously thinking of going back to their village in South Nyanza, something that may put the work in Kapenguria at a difficulty.

23 Sunday **Ministry Today:** MI is doing SS on *Remarriage*. He is also preaching in both morning (Romans 9:14-18 – *God's Mercy*); and the afternoon from Micah 7:18-20 concluding the book of Micah.

24 Monday **Coast:** 1) Let us pray for George Mwanjisi as he leads the church in Boyani (**Kilifi**). 2) The GMA church in Maweni Mombasa lead by Barnabas Olare has two conferences coming up: The APC (27th to 28th) and Reformation Conference in August. Please pray for them as they seek to help many churches to reform.