



August 2019

Dear Sisters and Friends

• **Will our Children have Faith – Lusaka April/May 2019**

It was with great joy and anticipation that many of us met at the General Council Conference. Many of you joined your husbands in traveling to Lusaka. We were so blessed to have the wife of our World Missions Director, Sis. **Judy Griffis** with us sharing and teaching from her heart in the afternoons. I still cherish the little bottle with the mustard seed – representing my **Faith**.



• **Visit to BidiBidi Camp Northern Uganda**

In July, I visited **Edina** and **John Noah** in the Refugee Camp together with my husband and Bro. Joseph Kagarama, Superintendent East Africa. I was overwhelmed by their joy and dedication in serving the Lord in hard places. We joined and shared in a Leadership Conference in the Imvepi Camp. More than 200 delegates had come from different camps and even from South Sudan. John and Edina have now established 67 congregations, opened a Nursery School in Morobi Camp with 250 pupils and offer tailoring classes. Of course, Edina is busy teaching the women, the youth and the children. She pioneered three congregations of which she is the pastor. Edina still lives in the camp however; she visits her family in Arua often. The Lord had told her in a dream to move into the camp to be close to His people.



• **Botswana – Women Ministry**

I received a wonderful report from **Chairlady Thapelo Kegomoditswe**, wife of our National Overseer on Women Ministry in Botswana. They organize seminars for Pastors wives and single women. The National Women Committee preaches the Word of God in Primary & Secondary Schools. They collect clothes to give to the poor and they visit remote villages to preach the Good News. During our **“Day of Prayer & Fasting”** in March, many teenage girls joined them in prayer. Every year in October, they host a Women Conference rotating to different towns.

• **Ghana – Women’s Conference July**

In addition, I received the remarkable news about a huge women conference in Ghana. Sis. **Paula Hill**, wife of General Overseer, Bro. Tim Hill was one of the guest speakers. The Theme was **“Being Fishers of Men”**. More than a thousand women came together to worship, to pray and to listen to the Word of God.



• **Passing of Akpene Gbo**

I have to end this letter on a very sad note. On Sunday 9, June our Regional Chairlady and dear friend Akpene, wife of Superintendent West Africa, Timothy Gbo went home to be with the Lord. The news was received with deep shock as many of us had just been with her in Lusaka at the conference. Once she arrived home, she had to go into hospital and passed away while being admitted. Please keep Bro. Timothy and their daughter Rebecca in your prayers.



With much love and joined together in Ministry
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