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**NEWSLETTER**

THANK YOU for your prayers and support toward mission! We would like to give you an overview over the mission work on the beautiful continent of Africa in recent months.

**Church Planters Seminars in the Chad and Togo**



N'Djamena, Chad - Seminar with church planters

By the grace of God and through the Firewall Initiative lead by Ray Lombard hundreds of churches have been planted, especially in the Sahel zone countries of Africa.

The Gospel is being preached in the power of Pentecost and the Love of God, confirmed by signs and wonders and churches are being planted.

The importance to make disciples and train workers

for the ministry gains a total new dimension. Every church needs someone to shepherd the flock and reach out to a dying world. Timothy Gbo, Superintendent of Francophone West Africa, and I trained two separate groups of church planters, i.e., in February in N'Djamena, Chad, and in March in Lomé, Togo.

In N'Djamena, 92 church planters participated. The national overseer Amane Mamate reports that nationwide in the last four years 200 new churches were planted - this is in average one church every week.

In Lomé, Togo, 60 church planters participated in the training. From 2011 the Church of God in Togo nationwide grew nine-fold from six to 53 churches today.

God has given the church in Africa good and faithful national leaders. Many have come through various training programs and today lead the national work. They preach the Gospel, make disciples and edify the body of Christ.

**Graduation in Uganda**

December 6, 2018, 54 overjoyed graduates received their certificates by the Bible School in Seeta, Uganda. The director Mary Kyaligamba is one of the students in the Master Program, which I offer twice a year in block seminars.



happy graduate in Uganda

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### Master Program

May 6-17 was the fourth module of the Master Program (Theology and Leadership).

Students were greatly impacted by Dr. Ayo Adewuya and Dr. Oliver McMahan, both from the Pentecostal Theological Seminary. They taught *Theology of the New Testament* and *Counselling Skills* respectively.

On a very sad note; one of the students Yoavi Hunkpati from Togo passed away days prior to the module.



Africa MA cohort with Dr. Ayo Adewuya (left)  
A gift is presented to Dr. Oliver McMahan by the national overseer of Ivory Coast (right)



### First Africa General Council



Under the leadership of Africa Field Director Peter & Deborah Thomas the first Africa General Council convened from April 29 to May 3 in Lusaka, Zambia.

Nearly each of the 44 nations of the Africa field were represented during this conference. Our international leaders David Griffis and David Stephens as well as national leaders ministered in word and different topics. I was able to present a position paper against the use of clerical attire in the Church of God in Africa.

“Will our Children have Faith?” was the theme of the conference. This is a very profound question, especially in light of the fact that Africa is a very young continent with 50% of its population being under the age of 18! (<https://data.unicef.org/resources/generation-2030-africa-2-0/>).



**Berea Theological College in Lusaka, Zambia** (left picture): the college celebrated the opening of a new kitchen & dining hall. Prior to this the kitchen was literally under the open elements. A very generous donor made the building possible. The facility was filled to capacity during the Central Africa Conference in April.

**Discipleship College in Eldoret, Kenya** (right pictures): On March 30 farewell was said to missionaries Gordon & Glenda Bloodworth. They served 35 years in Africa and founded the college in 2001. Benea Alukwe Amakhungu was officially welcomed as the new director of the college.

These and other Bible Schools are very important for training and leadership development in Africa!

Your missionaries for Africa

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