

August Update

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! We're pleased to share with you the wonderful things the Lord has been doing in our lives and ministry.







Faith

Jennifer

Joseph, Faith, and Christopher at the zoo

Family: In August, we celebrated Faith's twentieth birthday with cake, cards, gifts, and prayer for her.

Jennifer also took Faith and the boys to the zoo right before her birthday, and they all had a good time there. You can see photos of the trip at the link below.

Christopher finished his summer semester of college courses, doing well on his final exams. He and his brother Joseph are enjoying a little summer break, before Christopher starts his fall semester college course on Network Operating Systems (NOS) on August 15th.

We mentioned last month that we as a family have been distributing the Jesus Film DVD and some gospel tracts, as well as Len's salvation testimony and his book, A Willing Heart to Please the Father, throughout our entire community. Although we finished that outreach on July 3rd, we are now reaching out to another community adjacent to ours. Pray that the Lord would water the seeds of the gospel that were planted.

Ministry: As we continue to administer our <u>discipleship training school</u> (DTS), we'd like to update you on the good things that God is doing with it. By the grace of God, we currently have disciples in seven nations including Uganda, Nigeria, Kenya, South Africa, South Sudan, Zambia, India, and the United Kingdom.

We enrolled a new student from Zambia named Chisha into our DTS in August, who will begin his training on September 1. He is a forty-one year old man who came to Christ in 2018, and currently has an evangelism-and-prayer ministry. Here is his salvation testimony:

"I belonged to a church that denied the existence of hell and the manifestations of the Holy Spirit. I also practiced yoga and Martial arts that made me violent. Then one day I had a dream where I saw a fire burning, and I cried for help. God heard me and helped me quit eastern meditation. Then I started teaching on hell fire and the need for people to accept Jesus as [their] personal Saviour. I met people who taught about the same, and since then have been congregating with them. From that time I do personal evangelism and run an intercessory prayer group."

He shared his reason for enrolling in the DTS saying: "I do the work of an evangelist. This has to do with Bible witnessing and prayers. I have been seeking and praying for a course that can equip me more, and came across your institution. I need to be equipped in my work, and as you have a practical aspect, I believe it will help me with God's help."

Let's pray the Lord helps brother Chisha to accomplish that goal and be equipped for works of service as he begins his DTS training. We look forward to serving him in our journey together over the next three years, so that he might truly become a disciple who multiplies disciples.

Brother Grace, who is one of our graduates and facilitators, and a pastor in Uganda, wrote the following email to Len in August:

"Greetings dear, brother Len, in Jesus' Name!

It is amazing seeing God's miracles of healing and deliverance! Akol Joyce healed instantly from pain of the backbone after going through more than 100 injections as she suffered from meningitis.



Chisha in Zambia



Uchenna in Nigeria



John in Uganda

Three more were delivered from demonic attacks and witchcraft, and many more, as I will communicate.

A Moslem lady on Sunday received the Lord as we visited one of our Church members; glory to God for all He does!

Your brother, Grace."

Praise the Lord!

In August, sister Rennie in Uganda wrote the following message to Len:

"Greetings,

I would like to thank God for this discipleship course. It has enabled me to understand who a disciple is.

It also reinvigorated the zeal to read the word of God, and above all I was chosen to take up leadership of the discipleship classes at my local church.

Glory to God in Jesus name."

Praise the Lord!

In August, Len received the following testimony from brother John in Uganda:

"I am sorry, [I'm] on a mission trip for the whole month of August, traversing in the East Africa region visiting Apostolic network members. I need of your prayers.

My Testimony is [that] whatever I am studying in this DTS is practically happening on my journey, and they are just timely [teachings], as I go around meeting church leaders. A lot of pending answers to their questions are being answered from what I [have] studied. There is a lot of dilemma in the body of Christ. Many leaders and Christians are being deceived. Thank God, [because] a lot [of what] I have learnt through DTS has helped sort most of them, especially concerning the [Holy] Trinity, speaking in tongues and Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Thanks to God for the DTS.

Bro John Babu."

Praise the Lord!

Brother John in India, who is a pastor there and one of our students, wrote in August:

"Dear brother Len, Greetings to you in His precious name.

I am very thankful to you for your encouragement in getting Biblical knowledge.

The DTS course is very useful to me. The subjects like the Holy Trinity, the Person of the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit Speaks, and The Spirit Without Limit are very helpful to me. LTG meetings are also useful to me.

Faithfully, John Sobhan"

Brother Martin in Uganda wrote to Len in August saying:

"I greet you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

I thank God for my journey of growing through DTS, as well through LTG. Thank you, brother Len.

I came into DTS broken, but I have since been filled by God with love and hope, and I can only give Him the glory for my transformation through LTG. Throughout, I have learned that we mustn't allow our past mistakes to define who we are, because transformation is possible with God.

Thank you, and all praise and glory to Jesus! Brother Martin Kuku William"

Brother Uchenna in Nigeria, who is one of our students and a pastor there, has just received word that he has been approved to receive a Jesus Film projector from CRU, a US-based ministry. At this time, CRU is awaiting funding for his equipment, and once they receive it, then they will prepare the equipment and ship it to brother Uchenna.

Len also sent out the Old News That's Still Fresh in August to pastors, elders, disciples, and laborers in the harvest in North America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Australia.

Note: Some words in the recorded testimonies above have been changed to correct the grammar and spelling, and to enhance their clarity and readability. This was done without changing the meaning.

In closing, we have much to praise God for, and many opportunities for you to join us in prayer.

Praise the Lord with us for the many answers to prayer:

- 1. For blessing us with a happy celebration of Faith's twentieth birthday together.
- For helping Christopher to finish his summer college courses, and for blessing them with a summer break.
- 3. For enabling brother Uchenna to receive approval on his request for a Jesus Film projector.
- 4. For the amazing testimonies of God's work in the lives of our students and their brethren in Christ.
- 5. For helping us to continue with our evangelistic outreach to another community nearby.
- 6. For the opportunity to assist each of our students in becoming disciples of Christ and fulfilling their callings.
- For the Lord's leading, guidance, wisdom, and help administering the Doulos Training School (DTS), and for the progress the students are making.

Next steps and prayer needs:

- 1. For the Lord to heal Faith and Len from eczema.
- 2. For the Lord to heal Charity from insomnia.
- 3. For the Lord to water all the seeds of the gospel that we are continuing to plant through our evangelistic community outreach with the *Jesus Film* DVD.
- 4. For the Lord to provide for all the needs of our DTS students.
- For the Lord to assist us with the administration of the Doulos Training School (DTS), as well as develop through it many disciples who multiply disciples.
- For the Lord to help all of our DTS students to find LTG partners (another Christian to meet with weekly for discipleship in a Life Transformation Group).
- 7. For the Lord to fulfill His purposes for us and our ministry.
- 8. For the Lord to raise up new faith partners, and for Him to provide for all our needs -- not only ours personally, but also those of the ministry.

with love from all of us,

The Lacroixs

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