

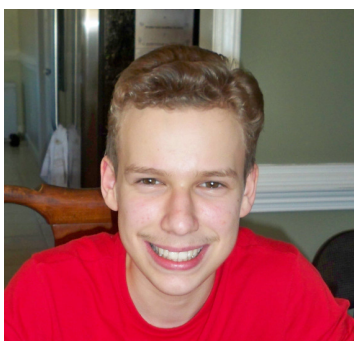


### ***March Update***

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.



Len on his 55th birthday



Christopher



Jennifer

*Family:* In March we celebrated Len's fifty-fifth birthday with cake, cards, and prayer for him.

Charity got a new job working at a popular little hot dog restaurant here locally that's been around since the 1970's. That's been going very well for her. Praise the Lord! Hope's new job at the barbecue restaurant was going very well, except that they were not in compliance with state law with regard to smoking being prohibited on the premises, so she left due to the unhealthy conditions and is searching once again for another job.

Hope has had some limited opportunity to use her recently earned TESOL certificate to teach English online to those speaking it as a second language. However, at this point, it's not a viable source of income yet.

*Ministry:* As we continue to administer our [discipleship training school](#) (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 five nations including Uganda, Nigeria, Kenya, South Africa, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

In February Len received the following email from brother Shadrach in Nigeria:

"Please brother, I want to apologize for my sudden silence. I couldn't reply to any of your emails again because of academic workload which by God's grace has been handled. thanks for your prayers and support to get me established in

Christ. I couldn't reply with a testimony due to the same reasons, but I must say God has been faithful through articles, and all I have learned from DTS. My stay on campus has been to the Lord and to him alone."

Praise the Lord for helping brother Shadrach complete his exams at the university, and for the way the Lord has been faithful to him through the DTS training.

On March 1, three more students successfully completed the three-year DTS training. Their names are brothers Grace and James in Uganda and brother John in Nigeria. This was a huge accomplishment for them, and their graduation ceremony is planned for later this month. Praise the Lord for helping them complete the training. Brother Grace will remain on (volunteer) staff as our DTS Facilitator for Uganda, as we previously reported.

Len received the following email from him upon his completion of the DTS as he starts his new role as a facilitator:

"Praise the Lord! I am very grateful for the course and your sincere heart, love, and tireless efforts towards helping God's people particularly me attain this level of study. I am never the same, and can now minister God's Word with confidence, love and passion.

I am also grateful to you for the opportunity to be a facilitator for my country; I know at this time in particular God requires much from me. Thanks, dear brother, for your love. Blessings, Grace."

When Len asked Grace if he has now met the goal he had for himself when he first enrolled in the DTS three years ago, he replied:



Shadrach in Nigeria



Stanley in Kenya



John in Uganda

"Oh yes! DTS has helped me greatly! My ministry work has grown dear brother! Having learnt from DTS, the truth of God's Word and the testimonies have changed our Church members; preparing to meet the Lord, we were able to start prayer meetings where we minister counseling, healing and deliverance. We are

seeing Salvation s and people are increasingly coming to Church. Brother Len, DTS has helped to shape me for my vision of nations. It is this time that I am beginning to have deeper insight into ministry. It's because of this training that today I am able to be training ministers in our Church. Personally I am transformed and my family as well has benefited a lot. I will be sharing more with you with time.

Blessings, Grace Okurut"

Len received the following testimony via email from brother Stanley, one of our First Year students in Kenya, who just completed his first quarter.

"Praise God, brother Len.

I thank God for giving me the strength and the ability to do this coursework. My LTG is going on well though for the two weeks my my partner have traveled but all is well...

This coursework has been helpful for me it enabled me to understand in details who God is, and also everything we do is for His glory alone (Sole de Gloria). Nevertheless, we are called to be disciples of Jesus, not only believers, in that we should doers of the word of God.

Also the knowledge of baptism has been helpful, because different denomination practice different forms of baptism. but the well-elaborated scriptures that you have aligned [have] opened my eyes and also impacted knowledge in me.

To conclude, I thank God for this coursework and this program in general. May God bless you, brother, for this good work. It's not in vain. God will reward you in due time.

Thank you God bless you."

Praise the Lord for what He is doing in brother Stanley's life through the Word of God being taught through the DTS. Len's response to brother Stanley and to all the students who find the DTS beneficial is this brief quote from eighteenth century John Wesley of England: "Reader, if God has ever blessed my word to your soul, pray that He may be merciful to me a sinner."

Brother Mike in the United States sent in the following praise report and prayer request for his wife Ivy:

"Len, A praise [report] for me has been the experience so far with our LTG. [My LTG partner and I] both participate in a Men's Bible Study at church and then stay afterwards for our LTG. Our fellowship is growing as we discuss what God is doing in our lives, as well as talk about His Word. I know the challenge of not

just 'knowing about God', but really KNOWING God is a life changer.

Another praise happened last Sunday morning. My wife woke me as she was in a great deal of pain. She thought she was going to die. The Holy Spirit kept me calm enough to get her to the hospital. Our prayers were answered in that it was JUST a kidney stone. Yes, it is painful but not life threatening. I'd appreciate prayers for the stone to pass or miraculously disappear. In two weeks, she is scheduled for a procedure to remove it should it still be there. Mike"

Brother Daniel in Nigeria, who recently resumed his training with us, wrote, "Am really happy to be part of DTS once again, and I thank God for all: He has been good to me, His Love for my soul, and am also praying that God should use me..."

Brother Sam in Uganda is feeling much better, and continues to make steady progress. To God be all the glory.

Another new student enrolled in our DTS in March. Brother John is a fifty-four year old servant of the Lord serving in the Pentecostal church of Arua, Uganda. He was referred to us by brother James, who recently completed the DTS training. Brother John says he enrolled, "So that I can have more knowledge about God to rightly divide the Word of Truth." Please welcome him along with us, as we begin our journey together. We look forward to serving him over the next three years.

Our DTS Facilitator for Nigeria, brother Deji, has returned home from a special evangelistic outreach to remote locations Iboko and Ishashi in March. We look forward to getting an update from him soon on how that went in answer to our prayers. Sister Hannah, his wife, who is one of our students, is expecting to deliver her baby girl on April 6th. Please join us in praying for a healthy pregnancy and a safe delivery.

Len sent out his monthly edition of Old News That's Still Fresh in March to pastors, elders, and laborers in the harvest in the US, Europe, Australia, Africa, and Asia.

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 enabling us to celebrate Len's birthday.
2. For the testimonies of brothers Stanley, Shadrach, and Grace.
3. For providing Hope some opportunities to teach English.
4. For providing a job for Charity.
5. For bringing brother John into the Doulos Training School (DTS).

6. For the opportunity to assist each of our students in becoming disciples of Christ and fulfilling their callings.
7. For the Lord's leading, guidance, and help administering the Doulos Training School (DTS), and for the progress the students are making.
8. For the lives being touched for Christ around the world through our writing ministry.

*Next steps and prayer needs:*

1. For the Lord to heal Jennifer's finger.
2. For the Lord to heal Faith and to heal Len from eczema as well as neuropathy pain in his back, left leg and foot that is coming from his spine.
3. For the Lord to provide Hope with a job.
4. For the Lord to provide for all the needs of our DTS students, particularly brother Ibrahim who is trusting God for a financial breakthrough and gainful employment.
5. For the Lord to heal brother Mike's wife Ivy from a kidney stone.
6. For a safe delivery for sister Hannah of her newborn at the appointed time in April.
7. For the Lord to help brother John in Uganda to achieve his DTS training goal.
8. For the Lord to provide for all the needs of our DTS students.
9. For the Lord to comfort brother James in Uganda in the loss of his mother.
10. 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.
11. For the Lord to help all of our DTS students to find LTG partners
12. For the Lord to fulfill His purposes for us and our ministry.
13. 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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