

## April 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



Faith, Christopher, Joseph

Family: Overall, we are doing well as a family by the grace of God, despite numerous physical health challenges that some of us have had, and in some cases continue to have.

With the Lord's help, Len and the boys have been able to successfully complete a few very challenging home repair and appliance repair projects together recently. One of these included fixing some problems we were having with our old refrigerator. We are grateful to God for His help with those repairs. It saved us a lot of money that we would have otherwise had to pay a plumber and an appliance repairman.

In April, the girls got a substantial amount of costly maintenance done on their recently purchased, used car, including oil leaks fixed, along with power steering fluid leaks, as well as transmission service. Unfortunately they were unable to fix the AC leak, due to the high cost of that repair. Meanwhile a new issue has surfaced that they need to have repaired. So this has been a trial for them with their first car. We continue to hope and pray that they will soon have the vehicle running well.

*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 five nations including Uganda, Nigeria, Kenya, South Sudan, and the United Kingdom.

In March, brother Tom, one of our third-year students in Uganda, sent Len the following testimony:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I am glad to share with you marvelous things the Lord is doing in my life.

Since I joined DTS, my life has never remained the same. First I was entrusted with the office of a ministry administrator. Secondly, with all the knowledge I acquired in DTS, I am now running a ministry in Uganda called Doma Pentecostal Global Ministries. My ordination as a bishop is postponed, but I will let you know when it is rescheduled.

With God's help, I hope to reach the unreached with the Gospel of Christ.

May everyone around the globe be blessed as you serve in His vineyard.

Brother Tom."

Praise the Lord! Brother Tom has many testimonies of what God is doing in his ministry because of DTS!

Len received the following testimony in March from brother Martin, one of our DTS students, who is a minister of the gospel in Uganda:

"Hello Brother Len,

"I really thank God for opening my spiritual eyes to understand that being a Christian is not a mindless experience, but involves knowledge and understanding. It means establishing a personal and intimate relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, who came to bring us the knowledge of God that we are



Tom in Uganda



Martin in Uganda



Christine in Uganda

acquiring through the DTS. As a result of our recent outreach, a Muslim girl gave her life to Christ.

However, later she shared with us that 'the journey from Islam to Christianity was never easy for a Muslims, especially within a community where there is a legitimate fear of being tortured and killed by family'; yet she dared to take that risk and put her life at risk for the love of Christ, sacrificing everything for Him.

She fled from her family and Muslim community, and lost her property, but she preferred to love Christ.

May God bless her and bring many other Muslims on the right path through her heart touching testimony, Amen".

Brother, Martin"

Praise the Lord for what He is doing in brother Martin's life. Let's pray for this Muslim girl named Shimla, for the Lord to bless her and bring other Muslims to Christ through her.

In March, Len received the following testimony from sister Rebecca in Uganda, who is one of our students there:

"Praise the Lord brother Len,

I am grateful to God that in this month I shared the gospel to three people who never responded immediately, but later on two gave their lives to Christ through my husband.

I also thank God for keeping us in Good health, especially the children, because some years ago they would often fall sick.

I also thank God for restoring my spiritual eyes, because there are things I see in the spirit, and they come to pass exactly as I saw them. May God help me to be what He wants me to be.

Glory be to God."

We give thanks and praise to God with sister Rebecca for the great things He is doing in her life and ministry.

In March we held a graduation ceremony for Brother Ibrahim in Kenya, who completed his three years of DTS training in February. We truly felt the presence of the Lord during the ceremony. Praise the Lord! He also has a testimony

regarding God's provision of employment: He received a good job doing data collection for the government, which is a blessing, especially considering what he had been doing prior to that.

Brother John in Uganda is improving from his bout with malaria. Their long-awaited court hearing was held on March 31, and the judge was supposed to render his decision on the case on April 7, but that has now been delayed yet again.

In April, Len received the following testimony from brother Henry in South Sudan, who is a missionary there from Uganda and one of our DTS students:

"Dear brother Leonard,

I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It's a great pleasure to wish you a happy Easter and thanking our God for the gift of life to this day. I want to thank God for one family that accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior as we were evangelizing throughout this week. The man had left the home but through prayers and counseling, they have reconciled and are living together happily. I give God all the glory.

Yours faithfully, Bro Henry."

Hallelujah! What a wonderful testimony. Please remember brother Henry in your prayers, as he is serving in South Sudan among many dangers. In fact, for his safety, we cannot disclose what recently happened to him. May the Lord protect him and keep him safe as he labors in the vineyard there.

In April, sister Christine, who is one of our DTS students in Soroti, Uganda, sent the following testimony to Len:

"In our local church in Soroti, women were given a Sunday (March 19th) to minister. We had to prepare by having a [time of] prayer and fasting as women on Saturday, March 18th. The leadership of women in our local church chose me to lead the program in that prayer [time], and more so to lead in the Bible study. I am grateful to God for the grace, guidance, and wisdom He gave me to be able conduct the Bible study. This was possible also because of what I have learnt from DTS lessons and the confidence I have gained through my LTG meetings. Glory to God.

Thank you, and may God bless you all."

It's a joy for us to hear how the Lord has been using sister Christine in new and greater ways than ever before to edify and strengthen the Body of Christ.

In April, Len received the following testimony from brother Max in Uganda, who is one of our DTS students there:

"Praise the Lord bro. Len. Yesterday the Lord gave us three more [new believers] in baptism "

We rejoice and praise the Lord for what He's doing in brother Max's ministry and all the souls who are coming into the kingdom through it. He testified that the revelation of the reality of heaven and hell as described by the various brethren in his current DTS studies, along with what he learned about the dangers of alcoholism, has changed his life. His wife, sister Rebecca (mentioned earlier), has also had great time with the Lord in her course.

## Partnership Opportunity:

If the Lord is leading you to financially support this important ministry, which is impacting the lives of so many people for Christ around the world by the grace of God, your cheerful obedience to Him would be greatly appreciated. Our partners are a vital part of what we're doing, and we'd love for you to be one of them!

Note: Some words in the recorded testimonies above may 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 helping the girls get many of their needed repairs done on their car.
- 2. For helping Len and the boys perform the needed repairs and save money.
- 3. For the amazing testimonies of God's work in the lives of our students.
- 4. For the people who have recently come to Christ through the ministries of our DTS students, and for those who have been baptized.
- 5. 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.

## Prayer needs:

1. For the Lord to help the girls get the remaining costly repairs done on their car, including the AC leak, which is estimated to cost around \$1600.

- 2. For the Lord to heal brother John from malaria and give him victory in the court case.
- 3. For the Lord to provide for all the needs of our DTS students.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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).
- 6. For the Lord to fulfill His purposes for us and our ministry.

with love from all of us,

## The Lacroixs

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