

INDIGENOUS TRAINING MINISTRIES, INC. REVC'S NEWS & VIEWS

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TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Burundi Grads & Pygmy Village



It is only January 2nd as I sit at my desk to report on the latest news from the field. Normally, I do not work on a newsletter this early in the month. With my shoulder surgery being scheduled for the 8th of January, however, I felt it was only prudent to do so.

In putting together the end of the year donation letters, I was pleasantly surprised to realize that we graduated **371** students in 2020 in spite of the COVID-19 situation. I think that may have been a record year! As of the end of 2020, we have graduated a total of **3877** that we know about. The Lord willing, we may be able to break the 4000 mark in 2021. God, grant it to be so!

Part of the 377 graduates came in December when we graduated students from Burundi, Africa. They were from two separate locations and came together for one graduation ceremony. I received some photos from those who were there. When photos are sent to me, I always try to touch them up a bit to make them easier to see. My photo shop program could not open them, however, so the photos they sent is what you now see.

Dr. Kurenji and one of our teachers leading students in the blue robes are from the area of Rumonge, Burundi. The happy graduates in the dark robes with the green sashes are from Kanyoshia, Burundi. Kanyoshia is quite a distance from Rumonge, yet the students made the trip. They did not want anything to keep them from



their graduation ceremony! If you notice, in most photos that I have seen or taken, the subjects have very serious faces. It is difficult to get them to smile. So, I am always blessed when I see a smiling face in a grad photo!





There are a couple of Pygmy tribes or groups that live in the Congo area of the forest, one of which is a bit more civilized then the other. Fortunately for our teacher, we



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are working among the more civilized of the two



groups. This
group survives by
eating
mostly
fruits and
wild animals that
they hunt
or anything that
they are

able to grow.

Our teacher, Pastor Sethi, would take two days walking through the forest to reach the students. He would sleep each night hungry as there was seldom enough food unless someone came with food to contribute. He would normally teach for one or two weeks each trip. Although using a donkey would definitely help shorten the travel time, there would be the cost of the rented donkey and the possibility that the less civilized group might steal the donkey and eat it. We are presently looking into the possibility of providing a motorcycle to help Pastor Sethi with the journey to enable him to do more CTC locations.

When the COVID-19 situation got serious, it was necessary to suspend the classes until it is safe for both Pastor Sethi and the students. Here are some pictures that Pastor Sethi sent to Dr. Kurenji at Christmas.

Dr. Kurenji recently shared with me that many countries in Africa are now passing laws requiring all training institutions to be licensed by the government. Dr. Kurenji had already registered our CTC program, but there will be additional requirements that we must meet.

I want to thank each of you for standing with us during these difficult times. I know that many families and churches have struggled through these last months. Their loss of support has begun to be reflected through some of our supporting churches as well. It is important that we pray for one another, and I want you to know that I do pray especially for those who are praying for this ministry and for those who are standing



with us in financial support. None of us can give what we have not first received. God is our provision, and we continue to trust in His supply. I earnestly believe that He wants us to walk in faith and continue to move forward training laborers



for the harvest. Your gifts and prayers do make a difference. May the Lord multiply back to you repeatedly. We release His blessings to you! Please help if you can! TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

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