

INDIGENOUS TRAINING MINISTRIES, INC. REVC'S NEWS & VIEWS by RevC July 2022 TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!



**CATCHING UP PART 2** 

In this report, I want to share some exciting opportunities God has given to each of us.

## AICCS

Each April, I file a report with the Association of Independent Christian Colleges and Seminaries (AICCS) which stands behind the accreditation of our CTC Associate of Biblical Studies Degree. AICCS now provides accreditation for 694 schools in 66 nations. The ministry of Indigenous Training Ministries (ITM) is responsible for 83 of those locations! As of this report, we have graduated 4280 students and have 1466 currently enrolled that we know about. We are blessed to be included among the hundreds of AICCS schools, all serving to advance God's Kingdom by training more laborers for the harvest.

# Dr. George Kurenji

Dr. George Kurenji is pictured here with his wife, Abysack, in the gray top, his daughter in the pink top, and his three sons with George next to the youngest. They oversee 29 of our CTC programs covering seven countries. In addition, he and his wife are pastoring a



church in Nakuru, Kenya, pictured here with their congregation where they currently are meeting in a school classroom. They have planted three more satellite



churches which were a part of an evangelism effort by students going through the CTC program in Nakuru, Kenya. They felt led to target the Kalenjini people and the Kisii/Kikuyu people who were always fighting with each other over land issues. The students believed they had a mandate from the Lord to reconcile them through sharing the gospel and counseling them to seek peace. God blessed their efforts, and the three new congregations were the fruit of their ministry.

Dr. Kurenji and Abysack oversee all four works. CTC graduates assist them with the pastoral work in the other three church plants. With about an equal number of young children as adults in all the churches, they are a growing and faithful group and are struggling to purchase land and erect a church building. We help support them monthly as a family so George can continue to oversee the 29 CTC programs. Please pray with them that God would miraculously supply the means for them to purchase land so we can help them build a church.

#### **MALAWI**

I received an update from our CTC director in much of Malawi, Pastor Stephen Tambuli. His family is another of the CTC director families that we support monthly through ITM. Stephen not only oversees and teaches in four CTC programs but has also been instrumental in overseeing the construction of 13 churches that you have helped build through your giving.

Pastor Stephen has been spending time in the bush delivering motorcycles to village pastors and evangelists in predominately Muslim areas. Many were in the Balaka area where I have also been doing evangelism and where we built a church for the new believers. Several of these pastors from mountainous areas have not been through any formal bible training. Stephen said that they are hungry to receive the Word of God and want to be trained. It is a full day's drive to get there from Blantyre where Stephen and his family live. He wrote me to see if this was something that we might be willing to help accomplish. His proposal was that he would take one week each month and go there to teach for five full days + two days for travel. That way, he could take these men through the CTC program. He would also need the help of a translator from English to the native language

of that area. We would need to help feed the group as well as Stephen's expense in travel, etc.

This would be a costly effort, but my feeling is that in light of eternity, it would be a tremendous return on investment. Stephen will put together a proposed budget for the project and will make another trip to the area and speak with those interested to count the cost and measure the level of commitment on their part. I wanted to share this opportunity with you now so you can join us in prayer concerning what God would have us all do to help accomplish His will for this situation.

## **CLOSER TO HOME**

I often get requests from our CTC directors for a new computer. When I see a really good deal on laptops that are adequate for teaching CTC but not so equipped for video games, I use money from our ADMIN account to cover the cost. I took two laptops with me on my last trip to Togo and gave one to our CTC director in Lomé and the other to the young pastor from Burkina-Faso so he could start another CTC program. We also purchased another gently used laptop while I was there for our translator so he could do some corrections to the French version of the CTC material.

Our CTC directors in Guayaquil, Ecuador, need four laptops for their teachers in several locations. I normally will pick up a couple when I can find them between \$300 and \$400 depending on how they are equipped. I presently have six laptops but four will go to Ecuador. In addition, I am now printing our newsletter each month and the cost in toner is an ADMIN expense that for several years another of our faithful partners provided. The extra cost of toner and wear and tear on our 12-year-old printer is taking a toll. I spent an unexpected \$210 this month alone in two service calls on the printer and was warned by the service man that it is not going to last much longer. We even used unconventional methods to "jerry rig" parts that were broken just to enable me to print the June and July newsletters. Finally, a local church had for several years allowed me to fold our newsletters on their folding machine but determined that the wear and tear on their machine was too costly. Thus, we had to purchase a folding machine. The least expensive that I could find with a two-year warranty was just under \$1000. Altogether it is depleting our ADMIN account although for good reasons. If God has blessed you recently, please consider joining me in doing something

extra to help replenish this account. Yes, you guessed it—just put **ADMIN** on your check memo line.

### Pastor Victor's New Roof, Lagos Nigeria

I just received this update on the new roof God provided for Pastor Victor in Lagos. He sent photos showing each side as you see here. There is a bit more to do but the work should be completed within a few days now. Last month I shared with you the opportunity to help with the electrical work they need to do. The cost is \$9500 to do the piping, wiring, and fixtures. If you can help, this would be another good investment opportunity!! Just mark your gift "**Lagos Electric.**"



Vicky, Daniel, and I are looking forward to our upcoming trip to Ecuador. Today May 4th, I booked tickets for me to fly to Peru while we are there. I will be gone June 11 to 18, teaching the Shawi, In-

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dians in Yurimaguas. I will also be teaching students in Ecuador via Zoom. We will be back home from Ecuador as you read this newsletter.

Know that we love and appreciate each of you for praying and standing with us financially. I believe it is because God trusts us that He provides many opportunities for us to truly make a difference. Let's not be weary in well doing! God bless you!!!!

I pray that God will multiply and release finances into your hands as you faithfully sow seed! Please remember to pray for us as we are in Ecuador and for my trip to Peru releasing God to have His way in each situation. Blessings!

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