

The Seeker

"Seeking the Souls of Men and Pointing Them to Christ"

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Dear brethren,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. October was a very good month for IBTM. Several Gospel meetings and seminars were conducted by our students and graduates. Some graduates reported on their work for the past few months. We had 372 baptisms reported and 165 that confessed sins and 2 new congregations started. We also had 143 new BCC students enroll in our program.

One of the greatest challenges the Lord's church faces worldwide is a shortage of faithful, knowledgeable Gospel preachers. Certainly this is true in Africa. Many of the men who try to preach each week have not studied the Bible and have many denominational ideas concerning the church and her work. This is the very reason we need to have faithful preacher schools all over Africa. We have started 6 preacher schools and are working with about 10 others. These schools follow the same quarterly schedule as the schools here in the USA. They go through the Bible in a two year program. Raising funds to fully support 6 preacher schools is not an easy task. We are very thankful for the individuals and churches that help us each month to keep these schools open. We are in need of more help with these schools as prices on food and everything has gone up during the past few years. We would also like to start 2 more preacher schools if we had the funds to do so. We are asking congregations who receive our Newsletter to consider putting our work into your budget for 2026. Also for those who are currently helping if possible to increase you monthly help just a little. Our 6 preacher schools put much emphasis on evangelism during the 2 year program. Not only teaching from the classroom but also going out and conducting Gospel meetings and campaigns with the students.

The Lord has greatly blessed our work and it has grown very rapidly during the past few years. There is so much that needs to be done but the funds are not there to do these projects. As we come to the end of the year we are praying that some individuals will make a onetime donation to our work for tax purposes and that many churches will also consider a onetime donation to help with our work in Africa. Some of the things that are currently needed are: Bibles, bikes for preachers, paper and ink to print thousands of Gospel tracts, funds for Gospel meetings \$300.00 each, building new church buildings at \$10,000.00 each, purchase printer and folder and funds for 16 radio programs in six different African nations.

What a great opportunity we currently have to reach the lost with the Gospel of Christ in many African nations. Indeed the "fields are white unto harvesting". We need your help! Please pray for our mission work efforts and help us as you can to take the Gospel of Christ "into all the world". Ronald D. Gilbert-Director

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In our December Newsletter we plan to look back at 2025 and see some of the things that were accomplished. We have had a great year so far in 2025. Many of our projects have been completed and still others are waiting to be done. We have mentioned for the past few months that we are trying to get 2 containers shipped to Africa. Barry has one ready to go out from Florence, AL. to Malawi. There are other containers to go out before ours but we have been told they think ours will go out by the end of 2025. Our thanks to Barry and the churches in Florence that have helped him get this container ready to ship. We also have a container going out from Cookeville, TN. We are on the list and waiting our turn to ship our container. Hopefully it will go out in January.

We want to thank each individual and each congregation for your prayers and financial support to our work. With your help much good is being done for the cause of Christ in several African nations.



New church building-Zambia



Baptisms from Gospel meetings



New converts and others getting Bibles

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Things You Helped Accomplish

Baptisms.....	55,740
Restored/confessed sins.....	48,200
New congregations started.....	985
Preachers to graduate from schools.....	1,033