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. We had planned to depart for Malawi and Zambia on July 27, 2021. A few days ago we received the following press statement from the Malawi Tourism Counsel: "We would like to confirm to our membership and the entire tourism private sector that the Ministry of Health has issued a directive to close our borders and airports to all travelers except for returning citizens, residents and essential travelers. This means no tourists will be allowed into Malawi under the new guidelines." We are continuing to pray that things will be open and we will get to go to Africa sometime later this year.

During the next few weeks we will be purchasing and shipping about 5,000 New Testaments and Bibles to different locations in Africa. We also have over 100,000 Gospel tracts and several thousand booklets to ship to Africa. We also hope to ship several thousand BCC booklets. We are still hearing good news concerning the Gospel meetings in Africa that are sponsored for \$300.00 each. So far during the month of June there have been 31 baptisms and 32 restorations and 3 new congregations started. More Gospel meetings are planned during the next few weeks. We need to send more funds so these meetings can go on throughout the Summer. In most places where we work the rains start in November and for several weeks travel is difficult. Our brethren there usually don't conduct many meetings from December through March. These meetings are \$300.00 each for transportation, food and lodging for some of the teachers and students at the preacher schools we are working with to go out in their areas and conduct Gospel meetings.

The new church building in Kalomo, Zambia is about finished and we are just starting building a new church building in Lilongwe, Malawi. This building will be about 60 feet by 36 feet. These brethren had been renting a school building for the past few years to meet each Lord's Day but have lost that building and have decided to try to build a permanent structure for this congregation. We know this congregation and have visited with them and know their leaders. They are good brethren, sound in the Faith. Malawi is one of the poorest of the African nations but these brethren are determined to have their own place to worship God. The land for the new building cost \$10,200.00. The brethren there have come up with just over \$8,000.00 to purchase the land and we have sent the remaining funds for the land. A few days ago we wired \$10,000.00 to Malawi for the brethren there to start the foundation for this new church building. Our prayer is that in just a few months these brethren will have a permanent meeting place for the congregation there.

Giving out Bibles



New church building Kalomo, Zambia



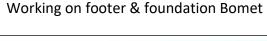
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In Bomet, Kenya the building project has been slowed due to the end of the rainy season. Trucks were delivering materials and got stuck in the mud so the project has been delayed some. We wired funds in the past few weeks to complete the foundation. Soon they will start up with the walls.

Floods damage from Lake Victoria in the Homa Bay area caused many Christians to lose their homes and almost everything they owned. We have sent relief funds to help out with these flood victims but more help is needed. These brethren will need help for several weeks getting their lives back to normal. If you would like to help these flood victims please send your funds to Rock Valley church of Christ, PO Box 49494, Cookeville, TN. 38506 and mark for "flood victims". We will wire these funds to our brethren at the preacher school in Homa Bay and they will distribute food and other needed items.

Thanks for your prayers and support and continue to help us as you can to take the Gospel of Christ "into all the world". Ronald D. Gilbert-Director

Bomet, Kenya-New Preacher school







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Things You Helped to Accomplish	
Baptisms	21,936
Restored	17,982
Congregations established	580
Preachers graduated	624