



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. The Lord continues to bless our work with many souls. We thank God and give Him the glory. Our reports for September, 418 baptisms and 20 restorations and 2 new congregations were started. In September we had 336 baptisms during Gospel meetings in Africa. There were 31 preachers to graduate from preacher schools. Each preacher got a new bicycle to use as they travel preaching the Gospel. We want to thank those of you who helped purchase these bikes. The bikes have gone up and are now costing between \$125.00 to \$140.00 each. With your help we have purchased 81 bikes for preachers during the past few weeks. We still need to get more bikes for the men to use who are at the preacher schools to go out preaching each Sunday. We had 5 new students to enroll in our distance learning program, ICOTB and we had 2 students in Zambia to graduate with their BA degrees in Bible.

Our church building projects are going great. We just finished a new church building at Chuundwe, Zambia. The new building at the preacher school in Solwezi is currently being roofed. We have just started 2 new church building projects. One at Chikwera in Malawi and the other at Nkandanzovu in Zambia. We are hoping to get these buildings in the dry before the rains start in late November or December. We have more church buildings that need to be built. These small buildings cost around \$10,000.00 to \$12,000.00 each. If the congregation where you attend would like to build one of these needed church buildings or help build one we would like to hear from you.

We continue to have great success with our Gospel meetings in Africa. We are sending \$300.00 to Africa for each meeting. Some of the teachers at the preacher schools are taking the students out to conduct Gospel meetings. The funds are used for fuel, food and hotels. In September we had 336 baptisms from these Gospel meetings. We have time to do several more meetings before the rains start. If you or your congregation would like to sponsor a Gospel meeting in Africa please send \$300.00 per meeting to IBTM, PO Box 49494, Cookeville, TN. 38506 and mark for "Gospel meetings".

There have been hundreds of baptisms in Malawi during the past two months. This has created a great need for more Bibles in local languages. The Bibles like everything else have gone up. They now cost in Malawi \$17.00 each and the song books are \$7.00 each. Recently the Rock Valley congregation helped get 764 Bibles and 714 song books for new converts in Malawi. We are thankful for the good brethren at Rock Valley and all they do to help reach the lost in Africa. There are many others who do not have a Bible or a song book to use during the worship. We need help in purchasing more Bibles! We have requests from Kenya, Uganda, Zambia, Tanzania, Mozambique, Ghana, Malawi and other parts of Africa. Not every Christian in the world has a Bible! Many non-Christians do not have Bibles and would read one if they had one. Those of us who live in the land of plenty and have 6 to 10 Bibles in our homes should consider helping people around the world who desire to have a copy of the Bible in their own language so they can read and obey it!

As we near the end of 2022 we ask that your congregation consider putting IBTM in your budget for 2023! If you could give a monthly donation to our mission efforts it would be greatly appreciated and used wisely to help spread the Gospel of Christ around the world. Some congregations choose to give one 5th Sunday contribution each year to our work and others just a one-time donation. There are so many things that

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are needed to help get the Gospel of Christ around the world. We need your help. Please consider help us in our efforts to reach the lost with the Gospel!

We continue to send funds for food relief. Recently we sent \$2,000.00 to Malawi to help people who are suffering from hunger. During the rainy season they had floods and their crops were washed out. In the Siamafumba area of Zambia they had no rain and are suffering from a drought. We are sending funds to the preacher school there each month to help purchase maize to feed hungry people. These brethren will need help for several months. They will plant their next maize crops in late November or early December so it will be a few months before they can have another harvest. The school in Malawi has taken some of the students out for a Gospel meeting in the area where the rains destroyed many crops. They will purchase maize and help feed those who are suffering. They are traveling about 600 km from the school for this meeting. In order to get there they will take cars to a certain point then ride on motor bikes and the last part of the trip take boats to get to the meeting place. It is a very remote area. There are several converts there who learned the truth through the radio program in Malawi. There is so much that needs to be done. We need your help!

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

Brethren getting Bibles Malawi



Some of the 107 baptisms Malawi



New church building Solwezi



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Things You Helped Accomplish

Baptisms.....	30,587
Restored.....	26,001
Congregations established.....	685
Preachers graduated.....	716