

Lord's Move to AFRICA



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EAST AFRICA There are approximately 2000 saints in the eastern part of the African continent. Lampstands have been established in Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Madagascar. There are also some saints following the ministry in Tanzania, Rwanda and Mauritius. Lampstands have yet to be raised up in Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Djibouti, Eritrea, and the island states of Comoros and Seychelles.



ETHIOPIA

No. of localities: 5

No. of saints in church life: 1500

No. of saints attending the Table meeting: 500

In Ethiopia there are 5 local churches and saints meeting in over 26 cities. Bread breaking will start soon in a sixth locality. In fellowship with the co-workers laboring in Ethiopia we are praying to have 30 local churches in 2 years' time and 50 in 5 years. We are also praying for the saints to migrate to different cities. Currently we have a number of trainee graduates in different cities in Ethiopia, either serving full-time or serving while working. We also have weekly trainings for brothers bearing responsibility, and for full-time serving ones.



Praise the Lord for His supply to His recovery! During this difficult time, we continued to meet physically in small groups in homes with proper care and distancing. After the easing of restrictions, we started meeting by three districts in Addis Ababa on 20 September. This was the first time we gathered by districts (instead of one combined meeting) since we started the church life in Ethiopia. We pray that the number of districts in Addis Ababa will increase to 10 by September 2021.

Africa Ministry Depot (AMD), Ethiopia

We are finalizing the legal registration of AMD Ethiopia in order to supply ministry publications in various languages to the churches and seeking ones. A high quality digital printing press will also be set up in Addis Ababa. Currently the serving ones are producing a number of audio/video materials from ministry books, Life Studies and footnotes of the Recovery Version Bible in English and in two major languages in Ethiopia (Amharic and Afan Oromo). In fellowship with the co-workers, there will be a one month training for serving ones who labor in the translation work.

Full-Time Training, Addis Ababa (FTTAA)

We have started our fall term of the FTTAA gloriously. Due to visa problems related to the pandemic, not all the trainees are able to gather together in Addis Ababa. There are 27 trainees in Addis Ababa, 5 in Accra, Ghana and three in Lagos, Nigeria. Despite the limitation of being in different places, the trainees are enjoying the training. As there was no college graduation this year in Ethiopia due to the pandemic, there is only one first year trainee from Ethiopia. Many graduating students need to go back to college and study for three more months. We are praying that the Lord may prepare at least 30 trainees for the next term.





KENYA

No. of localities: 4
 No. of saints in church life: 200
 No. of saints attending the Table meeting: 160



Despite the pandemic, the unlimited One is moving in Kenya in an intensified way -

- (1) Since the beginning of this year, over 130 new contacts have been gained in different areas. Many of them are located in West Kenya; some of them were contacted through social media or through saints in the church life, while some were recovered back to the church life. Through our visits and shepherding the new contacts are enjoying the ministry. We pray that they all become remaining fruit and new lampstands can be raised up, especially in the major cities like Mombasa, Kiambu, Nyeri and Murang'a.
- (2) Despite the pandemic we continued to distribute ministry books in Western Kenya and gave out over 2,000 books recently. Some saints from Kenya attended a book distribution training in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in February 2020. More saints participated in another online training in April. We are following up the contacts we received during the book distribution. Pray that a Gospel Book Room can be set up in Nairobi.
- (3) Because of the new contacts in West Kenya, a need for translation into the Swahili language has come up. We already have a ready translation of the Mystery of Human Life. We are in the process of translating "The All-inclusive Christ", "Basic Elements" (Vol. 1) and some hymns.



UGANDA

No. of localities: 1
 No. of saints in church life: 66
 No. of saints attending the Table meeting: 50



The Church in Kampala was established in 2003, through the labor of migrating saints from the U.S.A. and a Ugandan sister who enjoyed the church life in the U.S.A. The church was going on in a strong way at the beginning, however, some saints fell away after some turmoil in 2005. Since then, the Church in Kampala has enjoyed much blending in the Body – Four saints went for full-time training in Anaheim, U.S.A. The Church in Kampala also received strengthening through the Life-Study Radio Broadcast programs that ran on a local radio station for several years.

The Lord has added some through the radio programs and through contacts of other localities around the world.

More recently, the Lord has blessed the campus work and over 30 college students were meeting consistently three times a week prior to the COVID-19 lockdown. A number of them are still meeting in the small online groups. Since we started meeting online during the pandemic, many who have backslidden started meeting again and a few new ones joined in the online meetings. Several brothers have also been able to attend blending conferences around the world.

The Church in Kampala coordinates in the work to care for the saints in the Democratic Republic of Congo, including in Goma and clusters of saints in the eastern part of the country. We also coordinate to care for the saints in Rwanda and Tanzania. Prior to the pandemic, every December the East African Blending Conference was held in Kampala, with saints participating from other countries (Kenya, DR Congo, Tanzania, Rwanda and U.S.A.)