25 Saturday The **TPC** students have returned to their homes and ministries. They have much work to complete in terms of reading and writing, which they find difficult, but more self-discipline is needed. The teachers have the responsibility to mark the work that was handed in by the time they return in September. For the students this is part of learning to cope with the regular demands of ministry.

26 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) Nairobi. MI is preaching in the morning and Elias Otieno (one of the deacons) will take the afternoon. (2) There is the monthly Joint service of all the churches at Kasepa, Pokot North. We believe in the power of preaching and so we trust the Lord to bless these efforts.

27 Monday A special issue of **Grace & Truth**, no. 130, is underway to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of TBC. We hope to review what the Lord has done over the decades and give thanks to Him. This will clearly show readers what the church stands for. At <u>http://www.trinity.or.ke/grace-and-truth</u> you can view all issues.

28 Tuesday South Sudan continues to struggle towards peace. We have not been able to keep close contact with David Awan, nor visit in order to encourage. One of the other pastors in Juba has written of the great need for pastoral training, and that some people are leaving the church for other churches. The country clearly has a great spiritual need for the life-changing gospel.

29 Wednesday In Pokot North the **Kasei** brethren are seeking to complete the church building, including toilets, in readiness for opening of Bible Light College January 2019. There is the desire to train men for church work who cannot make it to the TPC in Nairobi because of their lack of knowledge of the English language.

30 Thursday Gaitano Mbati and Diba Isakh went to **Kasei** and spent time with the students at Kasei Boys Secondary and preached at the church there. MI and his team went on Sunday 1st July and chaired the third meeting in the day to appoint Joshua Sitet and Isaiah Juma the pastors of this church.

31 Friday MI met with all the **TBC pastors/leaders** to think, plan and pray about the state of the churches under the oversight of TBC. The consideration of the various ministries necessary in the church such as the worship service on the Lord's Day and upholding the regulative principle of worship, conducting church business meetings, weddings and funerals was dealt with. The time of prayer was very rich as we thought of God's faithfulness to us over the years.

EA = Eric Abwao, MI = Murungi Igweta (Pastors of TBC Nairobi); KU = Keith Underhill (Liverpool, UK) TBC = Trinity Baptist Church; TPC = Trinity Pastors' College RBAK = Reformed Baptist Association of Kenya; APC = Africa Pastors' Conference

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'PRAY FOR KENYA' - AUGUST 2018

1 Wednesday Please continue to pray for the need of additional elders at **TBC Nairobi**. MI (full-time) and EA (part time) bear a lot of responsibility, including shepherding the flock and providing oversight to many churches across the country. God has opened up wide doors for ministry and we long for more fruitfulness in the advance of the kingdom of Christ in Kenya and beyond.

2 Thursday Isaac Erot greatly needs help in ministering at **Katilu** and **Kakorilemu**. They also need to put up a church building on their own plot. He also needs funds to pay fees for his firstborn son, Kevin who has been invited to Moi University to study Statistics. For a report of MI's recent visit to Katilu and photos go to http://trinitybaptistkenya.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Katilu-Trip-2018..pdf

3 Friday The **Meaty Forum** today will be on subject of 'Undercover Cults', having put 3 on the flyer, Prophet Owuor, Seventh-Day Adventists and Roman Catholics. We trust that Ken Mbugua (Emmanuel Baptist), Michael Maura (Bethseda Baptist) and MI will expose both false teachings and teachers in order to turn many to the truth as it is in Christ. <u>https://m.facebook.com/themeatyforum/?ref=bookmarks</u> where it is live streamed.

4 Saturday We are a church of many **Young Adults** and they will spend time together in fellowship today at the home of members Robert & Jenny Mwangi with their 3 children. Such occasions provide opportunity for fellowship and bonding. And through these efforts, some have come to find their spouses!

5 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) Nairobi. MI is preaching in the morning while EA is preaching in the afternoon. A group of Christian volunteers from Ireland will be visiting along with their Kenyan team who reach out to the children, with an aim of establishing a working relationship with vision4kids.org (see 11th.). (2) KU is preaching at Belvidere Road, Liverpool in the morning on evidence of being filled by the Spirit (Eph. 5:19). The pastor is away ministering in Arad, Romania.

6 Monday Thank God for the teaching of Troy Lamberth and David Marauri on Early Church History and the Doctrine of God during the **July TPC** classes. 10 of the 12 were present they enjoyed close fellowship with their teachers. They all participated in the door-to-door evangelism on the Saturday.

7 Tuesday Troy and MI visited the church in **Miathene** and had an opportunity of bringing the Word of God to the brethren there. Joseph Mucheru continues to labour here along with Paul Kianji and Joshua Kairithia. They also visited the church in **Muthara** which has a great need for a settled pastor to develop the work.

8 Wednesday MI had an encouraging time with Andrew Chemolok and Samuel Wafula at **Chepkinagh** and nearby churches of Apur, Kwirir, Tarakit and Wasat at the end of June. The church met and agreed that the two men should lead the church. There were good opportunities of presenting the gospel to the high school students at Chelopoy (10 of them) and the primary school students at each place.

9 Thursday **Pastoral Internship** is gaining ground in TBC, with six men who are members of the church. They need to learn many things to be effective in the ministry. We trust that in due course a number of them will be used locally, be sent out to shepherd other needy churches, and to plant new churches.

10 Friday The **APC Nairobi** had more than 70 church leaders attending. The speakers, and books that were supplied for free, supplied a full diet for pastors' spiritual vitality, strengthening of their churches and promoting the glory of God. We had a good number of Pentecostals join this gathering.

11 Saturday The largest community in Kenya is the **Kikuyu** who live in central Kenya. While we have many of our members from this community, we have yet been unable to plant a Reformed church among them. We have now been invited to consider church-planting in a village near Githunguri town.

12 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) Nairobi. Dominic Kabaria will be preaching in the morning while MI will preach in the afternoon. Much grace is needed to serve a full spiritual meal in order that the saints will be built up in our most holy faith. (2) KU is at Belvidere Road, Liverpool, preaching on Eph. 5:20.

13 Monday The **Vacation Bible School** (VBS) begins today until Friday. We pray that many children from the neighbourhood, even whose parents who do not attend the church, will come and be taught the gospel. Please pray with us that the Lord may bring some of the children to faith and repentance.

14 Tuesday Continue to pray for trained men for the work in **Rendille**. The 3 evangelists in Korr continue to faithfully lead the church and proclaim the gospel around. We pray for at least one trained man to oversee the work and help to establish a gospel presence in places like Farakore, Lekuchula and Losidan.

15 Wednesday The annual **Men's Retreat** for the churches of Pokot North begins at Kasepa today. Men are typically fewer in churches, being tied to traditional ways. There are almost no old men. Such a ministry to men is vital in order to reach more, and to teach those in the churches the Biblical lifestyle.

16 Thursday Continue to pray for **S0mal1** believers who met in Sweden last month and for AO and his regular gospel broadcasts. Despite the threats and even martyrdoms, many are enquiring about the faith and are secretly gathering at various locations in the horn of Africa.

17 Friday There were four other **APCs** in Kenya in July – at Eldoret, Machakos, Mombasa, and Nakuru on the same theme of 'Preaching Salvation'. About 500 church leaders were reached with the truth. We believe that many sermons are seriously lacking in soteriology and an urgent remedy is necessary. At https://www.facebook.com/africanpastorsconferences you can see pictures.

18 Saturday Dominic Kabaria, who leads the children ministry in TBC, is responsible for the training of Sunday School teachers. We believe that children need to be taught the Word of God well and be urged to believe in Christ for their salvation while they are young.

19 Sunday **Ministry** today: (1) Nairobi. EA is preaching in the morning while brother John Muketha preaches in the afternoon. (2) MI is in Dar es Salaam Tanzania preaching with the APC team on the same theme of 'Preaching Salvation'. (3) KU is at Belvidere Road Liverpool in the morning for the last time, on Eph. 5:21, a third evidence of being filled by the Spirit.

20 Monday The opportunity to know the state of the gospel penetration in East Africa has been provided through the APCs. We have not known much of what is happening in **Tanzania** but now with MI in Zanzibar (13-15), Dar es Salaam (16-19), Mwanza (20-22) and Arusha (23-25) this information will be better known.

21 Tuesday The church in **Olgumi** is really struggling without a pastor. It is even suspected that it may be sinking spiritually and turning to be influenced by the Charismatic faith. We pray that the Lord may provide a man to settle down there urgently so that this situation can be arrested. Although we also know that the Lord is at work to care for His church.

22 Wednesday Aluvisia and Kamau visited **Kamketo** to bring the Word of God to bear among the Kamketo Trinity Girls Secondary and the Primary School children. On Sunday July 1st, MI left Chepkinagh for Kamketo to chair a second congregational meeting to appoint the pastors of the church. Thomas Lokerisa and Patrick Odhiambo were unanimously appointed.

23 Thursday We thank God that <u>www.trinity.or.ke</u> website has been revamped with more resources. We trust that many would be helped by the resources and be directed to the church. Please visit there and give your comments.

24 Friday There is a **youth camp** planned at Osani in South Nyanza beginning today to Monday. Tonny Karwa from TBC Nairobi will be the main speaker. The area has been ravaged by HIV/Aids and there is a need to warn the younger generation of the salvation that there is in Christ so that they may escape this corruption in their neighbourhood. We pray that these young people will turn to Christ for their salvation.