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Revival Fire Ministries

News from the mission field

THE 2011 RFM TEAM

William Booth "Not called!" did you say? "Not heard the call," I think you should put your ear down to the Bible, get down on your face and hear him bid you go and pull sinners out of the fire of sin. Put your ear down to the burdened, agonized heart of humanity, and listen to its pitiful wail for help. Go stand by the gates of hell, and hear the damned entreat you to go to their father's house and bid their brothers and sisters, and servants and masters not to come there. And then look Christ in the face, whose mercy you have professed to obey, and tell him whether you will join heart and soul and body and circumstances in the march to show the mercy and love of god to the whole world.

A.W. Tozer "Have you noticed how much praying for revival has been going on of late - and how little revival has resulted? I believe the problem is that we have been trying to substitute praying for obeying, and it simply will not work. To pray for revival while ignoring the plain precept laid down in Scripture is to waste a lot of words and get nothing for our trouble. Prayer will become effective when we stop using it as a substitute for obedience." -

Robert Moffat "We shall have all eternity in which to celebrate our victories, but we have only one swift hour before the sunset in which to win them."





THE REPUBLIC OF CONGO DJAMBALA 9TH - 13TH FEBRUARY 2011

One or two heavy drops began to fall suddenly I looked across from my hotel room and people were running covering things snatching washing from the line. Then it came like a sheet of water. It poured for about half an hour or so then backed off.

What amazed me was at the crusade field there were still about 300 people singing and dancing in the rain. The wind seemed to just blow the rain under our covers our mixer was not totally wet no sound! A few changes were made and we soon got sound and started singing in the now gentle rain. People began to come. Lightning flashed across the sky but they came! The response to the call for salvation was overwhelming it seemed like every hand was up. As natural rain was falling I believe heaven opened over Djambala and God moved saving multitudes of People.



Stones Delivered by Donkey Cart



Cement all mixed by hand



Pumping Water from the River



Technical Area Workshop and Bathroom



Timber cut from dead trees.



Work area between containers

“Mark 6:31 And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.

ABOUT THE LAND

4.8 Acres

Let me tell you a little bit about the land and the situation. Running along one side of the property is Session’s wheat farm and ranch which is very securely fenced with an electric fence, on the other side is Martin and Tiddy also fenced on the bottom the river meaning we would only have to put up one fence. The property is approximately 35 minutes from Nanuyki airport, and maybe 50 minutes from Nanuyki town where everything is available. Nanuyki is approximately 3 hours on Nairobi by road. However a new superhighway is being constructed that will be finished in the next couple of years. Martin our neighbour has a high yield borehole and would supply of water at a nominal cost. Irrigation will be done with pumped water from the river. Security is excellent in the area.

we are in the process of getting a sub division and getting our own title deed. please pray that all of this goes through smoothly.

A LOT ALREADY DONE

Joshua and Roger have been camping up on site in the 20 foot Shipping containers .

CYARA PRAYER AND RETREAT CENTRE

A dream is now becoming reality. We are so thankful that God has provided 5 Accers of land Just 3 hours north of Nairobi close to Nanuyki Town.

HOME AND BASE

Early in 2012 RFM will move to Cyara Farm Already the technical Area is under construction and will soon be compleated. The main challenge is to compleate the roof. Once Compleate we will move our truck up to the new base and begin the much needed maintainence on all the equipment for next years meetings.

Building gets underway



CYARA has beautiful views of Mount Kenya.



Water storage tanks have been erected and plumbed in. We have 6000 Liters of water. soon the first bathroom will be ready complete with all the drainage required. Remember there are no sewage mains to connect into.



ONGOING PHASES while we have made a good start there is much to do we need to install a large solar electricity system to supply all of our electricity.



Water Storage

We will use Solar to generate our hot water system. It is our goal to make 4 guest cottages for visitors and team . Lastly we will construct a house for us to live in.



Drains now in place



I am writing to you from Bukavu Eastern Congo. I have been here for 7 weeks now staying at the Swedish Mission which is a mission station that was built by Scandinavian Missionaries 60 years ago. The Lord has helped us in so many ways to reach many in the city and below is a short report. There have been many battles and many victories. It was a big battle to get the equipment in but after many days the Lord undertook for us and the truck and equipment crossed the border from Rwanda into Bukavu. Before you read the report below I have to write about an incredible team of believers that have been part of the many outreaches to the city. At some meal times we were more than 30 people, all from different parts of the world but with an all-consuming passion to reach the lost in Bukavu. There was the team from Australia headed by Jack Haynes from Imagine Nations Church. There was the team from Malawi headed by Jamie Peters. There was the team from Nairobi Lighthouse headed by John Magangi and there was our ever enduring faithful to the end team of Congolese brothers and sisters led by Bishop Uwezo who have stood with me through thick and thin. These amazing people were sent by the Lord to help us and together we are able to write to you of the many outreaches by the grace of God we have done. We still have 2 more weeks here and our second crusade is next week. Please pray for us. The people of Bukavu need Jesus Christ as their Saviour.



Comfort of the Holy Spirit

PRISON OUTREACH

1250 prisoners slowly came out of their cells and gathered with some reservation. We had set up a little sound system and John Magangi from Nairobi Lighthouse Church preached a powerful word. The Holy Spirit gripped the prisoners' hearts. The response was overwhelming and many received Jesus Christ as Saviour. The prisoners were then given a gift pack of personal effects and also a huge meal of meat, rice and potatoes, which was prepared by Mama Pauline and her team. The ladies was allowed to go into the women's section and pray with them and provide special gifts for each of them. We also went to the teenager section and met a 12 year old inmate. Every prisoner and every guard was impacted by the love of Christ and the power of the Gospel.



Gifts given to the DINAH womans centre

Our ministry teams were able to pray for these women, and it was wonderful to see the Comforter the Holy Spirit touching broken-hearts. We were able to give each mother a love gift pack and a small amount of cash to enable them to buy something for their children. A crèche takes care of the children during the day, while the mothers go out and work and in the evening they collect their children. These women were so touched at the love showed towards them that they spontaneously took up an offering among themselves and made us each a beautiful shirt.

OUTREACH TO ABUSED WOMEN

Dinah's Sister's Home cares for 70 troubled, abused and hurting women and approximately 50 children.

LEADERSHIP SEMINARS

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STREET OUTREACH

Our visiting teams and the local Congolese brothers and sisters went out on the streets and to the markets. One team saw a lady sitting across the street looking rather despondent. They crossed and boldly asked her if she knew what would happen to her if she were to die. Her response was very direct; "Yes", she said, "I would go straight to hell". They started ministering to her, and after many tears she was gloriously born again. Peace flooded her troubled heart. The teams prayed for



many in the homes. One team gathered a crowd of more than 100 people gave an altar call and prayed for the sick. We called them the "Sandwich Preachers" as they wore billboards with the Crusade Poster on the back and front of the billboard. 20,000 handbills were given

out and people invited to the crusade. It was a wonderful time to see the teams out on the streets going to where the needy were. This is what Jesus told us to do, to go to the highways and byways and compel them to come in.





WATER FILTERS

Pure drinking water in Bukavu comes at a premium. Many widows are not able to provide pure drinking water for their families. We were able to provide four widow groups with a very effective filtration system that provides clean and safe water for many families.

THE OPEN AIR GOSPEL MEETINGS

The venue could not have been better. We were right in the middle of gangsters, thieves and bars. Very few church people attended the meeting! It was wonderful that the main attendance was by un-churched people. The simple Gospel message convicted hearts. It seemed as though nearly every hand shot up on the field. Many prayed the prayer of salvation each night. The gospel was clearly presented. We preach the Lord saves. Healing flowed like a river setting many free and healing many suffering. One man had suffered with severe back pain and was forced him to wear a body brace. He removed it, and bent over without any discomfort whatsoever. We battled rain every day. The field was extremely wet and muddy, and yet the people still came, night after night. On the final night, I could see a huge storm approaching, but not getting any nearer. It was as though an invisible hand held it back! As we closed in prayer, flashes of lightning struck and the biggest raindrops I've ever seen began to fall.

In moments, the field was empty. It poured and poured. God had graced us and held the rain back so that His Word could go out. What a victory God had given us.



PANZI DRC GOSPEL MEETINGS – 6TH TO 10TH JULY



While looking at some of the video footage from the Gospel outreach, it was amazing to see how the Spirit of God had touched the hearts of so many people – their faces were full of emotion, whilst tears flowed and rolled down their cheeks. Truly, upon Panzi a light has shined.

MAIN OPEN AIR MEETINGS

The Lord graced us with five days of good weather. While Funu had

rain every day, Panzi had good weather. Rain would have made it almost impossible to get to the field along the very narrow and busy road to Panzi. The crowd stayed roughly the same each day except on Sunday, when the attendance increased greatly. I preached a clear Gospel message and the response was powerful. Many were deeply touched by God's Spirit and bowed their heads and called on the name of Jesus from the bottom of their hearts.

On Saturday, I preached on the heart of the Father and the wayward son. There was a real connection with the people, as thousands responded by running back to the Father and turning from careless lifestyles. During the prayer for the sick, many trustingly called upon the name of the Lord, and He showed abundant mercy to them, and delivered them in the day of their trouble. The whole team went among a group of very sick people and laid hands upon them and prayed for them. Everyone was moved with compassion as we saw the desperate needs that surrounded us. The Lord healed many of the sick and testimonies began to flood in. One particular woman comes to mind – she had been paralysed on one side and suffered great pain, but now she testified that she could walk without any pain whatsoever.

LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Rodney Lloyd was inspired and used by the Lord to impart so much to the leaders. Together, Rodney and I ministered for six hours to open and receptive people. I truly believe that God is raising up His church in Bukavu. All the seminars were recorded by the local radio station, and will be broadcast again over and over. Several leaders asked us how we knew and understood the situation in Bukavu, as we were able to address the very points of issue that were causing problems. We explained that we did not know, but that Almighty God knew and cared for them so that these issues were resolved. I have great expectations that there will be lasting results from this work based on one good reason – there was a real spiritual hunger, which seemed to be almost at starvation point!



JOSHUA ON THE TEAM

It was such a help having Josh on the team. He has now completed his high school in England, and feels that God has called him to the mission field. He is currently doing the International School Of Ministry (ISOM) correspondence Bible school, and next year we plan to send him to UK to do an excellent short course called School of Christ. Josh took over the video shooting, production and photography on this outreach.

TECHNICAL TEAM



Muraguri Benson and Alex worked very hard making sure that everything went according to plan. In one video meeting, our generator coughed and died! We later discovered that water had spilled and entered the diesel tank through a small service hatch. What a job to pump out almost 900 litres of diesel and then separate it from the water, and what a great team we have who could sort it all out! Thank you team. We were soon up and running and not a single main meeting was interrupted.



A FOUNTAIN OF HEALING

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healed of his diabetes. We advised him to go to his doctor and have his condition medically checked. He returned later with his doctor's report showing that his blood sugar was now normal. Jesus heals impossible cases.

TEAMS PREACH IN CHURCHES ALL OVER PANZI

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NIGHTLY FOLLOW-UP PROGRAMS CONTINUE

Many people tune in and listen to these discipleship classes taught by Charlene Harris from the local radio station, even from as far away as Goma, which lies across Lake Kivu from Panzi, some forty to fifty miles away.





OICHA DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO 3RD – 7TH AUGUST 2011

A city impacted by the preaching of the Gospel.

Here we are in North Kivu in Eastern Congo. We have been here since May and we have seen the goodness of the Lord. After we left Bukavu the technical team and truck made its way slowly through Rwanda and Uganda in North Kivu. It took them more than one week to go 100kms but that was including all the custom points and towing numerous trucks out of the ditches so that our truck could pass. Josh and I left a bit later than I had planned as I had an attack of malaria but when fully recovered we joined Roger in a town called Oicha. I knew in my heart as we bobbed our way over the hills of

Eastern Congo in a small plane that the Lord was going to do something very powerful in Oicha. Josh said, Mum, when we touched down on the sandy runway that I have seen a vision of the blood of Jesus washing over Congo and all the obstacles that were before us were bought down wherever the blood flowed.

MEETINGS ALMOST CANCELLED!

One of the doctors at the Oicha Hospital had recently been abducted by a rebel group. The circumstances are not clear and nobody really knows what happened, but it occurred just a few weeks before we arrived,

and a few metres from the very place we had booked to stay at. It caused quite a stir among the local leadership, and for a time it looked as though we would not be able to hold our meetings.





OICHA REFERRAL HOSPITAL.

We stayed in an old mission hospital compound that was started by a missionary doctor in 1934 Dr Carl Becker. This missionary doctor would not only perform his medical duties but also pray for the sick and when so many of the natives were healed they would not return to the forest but formed a new community around the mission station. The Pygmies would come in from far and wide for treatment and now they live very close to the town. The Pygmy choir sang at the

crusade, some have come to know the Lord and there are Pygmy Pastors and churches in the area. During the last decade of war in North Kivu, fighting never came onto these hospital grounds. It remained a place of refuge.

One dedicated man and his wife Marie made a very measurable difference. The church buildings are still standing as are the houses in which the lepers stayed for treatment. It is our prayer that this HOLY FIRE would be rekindled, that once again, Oicha would be known as a place where the Spirit of God meets with people to bring healing and restoration to

what the devil has stolen.

THE GOSPEL MEETINGS DREW MOST OF THE CITY.

John 12:32 MSG And I, as I am lifted up from the earth, will attract everyone to me and gather them around me."

We all felt that the Lord was telling us to speak much about the baptism of the Holy Spirit and speaking in tongues so in all the meetings we taught about this and prayed for the people and so many got filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues. It was the most wonderful crusade where hearts

were so open and so hungry for the Lord. At the crusade the Lord gave us warm evenings and the presence of the Lord was there. People came forward and renounced their witchcraft fetishes and we burnt them in our big drum on 2 of the nights. More than 30,000 gathered on the final Sunday and the gospel message of repentance and turning to the Lord rang out clear over the town. Even 3 kms away the sound could be heard. Then we prayed for the baptism of the Holy Spirit and it was like the Lord poured from heaven the living waters into their hearts.





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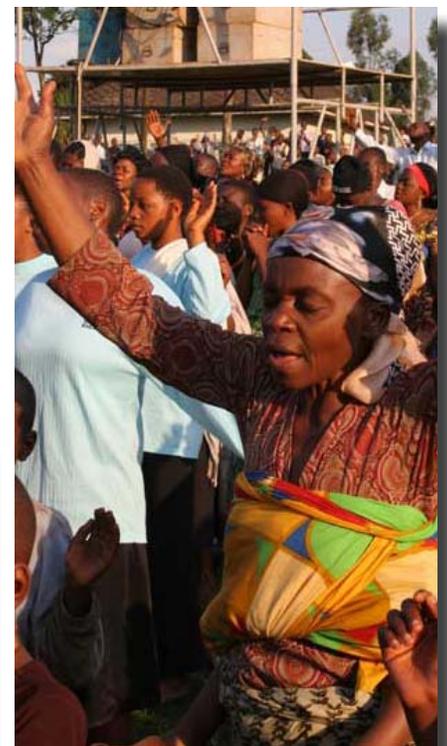
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