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Another quarter is almost complete! The students have their research week and Thanksgiving break before coming back for the last two weeks of classes for 2nd quarter. Once finals are completed, there will be a two-week break before classes resume for 3rd quarter on January 6, 2025. This quarter is always the longest every school year, so everyone is looking forward to the holiday breaks as per usual. It will be a nice time for them to rest their minds and get refreshed.

This quarter the students are taking the following:

<i>First-Year Classes:</i>	<i>Second-Year Classes:</i>
Preacher and His Work 2	Preacher and His Work 6
English Grammar 2	Greek 2

Combined:
Exodus/Leviticus
Prison Epistles
Life of Christ 2
NT Church



Our first-year students have now started preaching in chapel this quarter. Their first sermons were covering the plan of salvation. Their second sermons were over basic biblical principles. It is always neat to see how the new students do at the beginning and then to see how much they improve by the end of two years. All these men did really well so far this quarter, so their futures look really bright. Preaching is not an easy task, but they have all put in the effort and have preached great sermons.



BIM Students

Please keep us all in your prayers as we continue to commit God's Word to these faithful men. They surely are going to teach many others in the future.

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Six Preacher Training Schools

Committing God's Word to Faithful Men



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To God Give the Glory

By Jerry Sullins

From a humble beginning in 1988 until now, God has blessed the work of training gospel preachers in Africa. The vision was to train African men in Africa so that they would remain in their countries to spread the saving message of Jesus. We now have six full-time schools, five of which are located in four African countries and one in Springfield, Missouri. The work continues to expand, and the kingdom continues to grow as souls are saved.

The work has been made possible by your loving support throughout the years. Through you, the Lord has always provided for our needs. We have always been able to keep the schools open because of your faithfulness. Every year, we are asked by our brethren to tell them of our needs in order to keep the works fully funded. Before the beginning of the new year, we want to inform our brethren again as to what will be needed to fully fund the works for the new year.

Below is an assessment of our needs for the overall global work for 2025.

Student Enrollment Increase:

We are currently facing a shortage of funds for 2025 due to an increase in student enrollment costs. It costs only \$250 *per month* or \$3,000 *per year* to support one student in Africa. We still have the equivalent of 7 new students at \$250 per month, which equals a monthly shortfall of \$1,750 a month. This amounts to a total of **\$21,000** for the African schools to be fully funded for 2025.

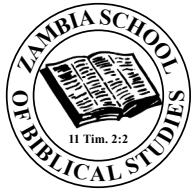
Travel Costs:

Another need is the funds required for travel to visit the schools regularly to properly oversee the works. Plane tickets alone equal about **\$15,000** per year for our travels. Although it is difficult to make these trips, they are essential for properly supervising the schools.

We humbly request that you consider Global Schools of Biblical Studies when making donations, whether for tax purposes or otherwise. We can also provide you with letters confirming your donations for your records.

Pray for us all as we strive to commit the word of God to faithful men in Africa. We now have over 400 graduates who have been taught to teach and preach the word of God! For this, we are deeply thankful to God and you all. As you pray for us, we will continue to pray for you all and your works for the Lord as well.

Your faithfulness is truly appreciated, and we thank you again for it. Together, we can ensure that multitudes have the gospel of Christ and hear of the hope of their eternal salvation. It has been a pleasure to work with you all throughout the years, and we will continue to do so as the Lord wills.



Since 1988 Livingstone, Zambia

November 9th was a truly great day in Livingstone as we celebrated the 17th graduating class of the Zambia School of Biblical Studies. It was a joyous occasion, with several hundred in attendance to honor this remarkable achievement of our students. The day was filled with excitement, laughter, and even a few tears as the reality of two years of hard work came to a close. We rejoice in the Lord, as fourteen trained soldiers of Christ are now heading into the fields for harvest.



Graduating Class and Instructors

Another exciting milestone is that this graduation brings the total number of graduates from our original school in Livingstone to approximately 246 men. This incredible work has been ongoing for many years, and in that time it has produced laborers ready to server. This has in turn strengthened the kingdom of God.

Brethren, we know this would not have been possible without your continued prayers and financial support. Your partnership has been invaluable not only in sustaining this work but in ensuring its growth. Because of your generosity, we can look ahead with hope, striving to accomplish even more in the service of our Lord. We deeply love and appreciate you all and thank you for your unwavering support of these great works across the world.

The night before the graduation, we enjoyed a special dinner in honor of the soon-to-be graduates. It was a delightful evening filled with laughter, fellowship, and heartfelt stories about their two years of study. Everyone enjoyed the meal and the time spent together, celebrating their accomplishments.



Graduation Dinner

The graduation was even more special because over ten graduates from previous intakes attended to celebrate with their new comrades. Seeing these familiar faces and hearing about the good works they continue to do was truly uplifting. Many of them had also attended the graduate seminar we held a few months ago, so it was a blessing to reconnect and share in this time of celebration.

One of the special moments during the graduation was the opportunity to share handmade dolls with the children. The women at the Kansas Expressway Church of Christ have been making stuffed dolls for children in hospitals and for trips to Africa. This precious child in the picture is giving her animal a big hug. It's such a wonderful way to share the love and joy of God.



Girl Hugging a Doll

Finally, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to brothers Webby Kenabanyama, Peter Masiya, and Godfrey Pitika. These men have worked tirelessly for many years, dedicating themselves to training others to preach the gospel. Their commitment and excellence in this work are deeply appreciated, and we pray for them and their families, asking the Lord to bless them with many more years of fruitful service in training soldiers of the cross.

Written by Ray Sullins



Since 2017 Kumasi, Ghana

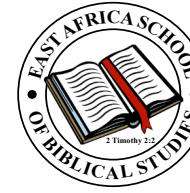
November 16th marked the graduation day for another sixteen men in Ghana. What a great day it was! After four intakes, this milestone brings our total number of graduates to thirty-nine. A large crowd gathered to celebrate this wonderful occasion, making it even more special.



Graduation Dinner

The night before graduation, we enjoyed a delightful dinner at the school, complete with the students' choice of mutton and fufu. It was a memorable evening of fellowship and celebration.

Written by Ray Sullins



Since 2003 Busia, Uganda



Uganda Students

At long last, September 28, 2024, was a remarkable day in Zambia as we celebrated the graduation of our sixteen students from Uganda who completed their training there. As many of you know, we faced challenges in Uganda with our registration and facilities due to corruption involving our previous director. To finish their studies, we sent these dedicated brothers to Zambia, where they successfully completed their training and graduated.

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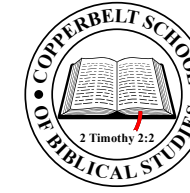
Since 2022 Nairobi, Kenya

Things are going great in Kenya! The second class has now completed its first year of studies and is currently on a long break. We are excited to report that we have sixteen students in this current class.

One ongoing need in Kenya is the construction of a small building that will include an apartment for visitors and an office. Our schools often host visitors, including our own staff, who need a place to stay during their visits. This apartment would help us save money on housing costs when we are there. The office would provide the local instructors with a dedicated space to carry out their daily essential work. This addition would significantly enhance the efforts being made there. If you are able to support this project, it would be a tremendous blessing. We need about \$7,000 to complete the construction.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have made this impactful work in Kenya a reality.

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Since 2024 Ndola, Zambia

Things are going well in Ndola, Zambia! Our first class has now completed its first year of studies and is currently on holiday break. The students are doing a fantastic job, and we are so grateful for their dedication and hard work. Currently, we have eleven students actively training, and they will return in January to continue their studies. A special thanks to brothers Michelo, Ziko, and Costain for their commitment and effort.

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Instructors and Current Students