



Since 2003 Springfield, Missouri

This school year continues to progress well. The third quarter started on January 3rd and will continue through March 8th. This quarter's classes include the following:

First-Year Classes:

Preacher and His Work III
English Grammar III

Second-Year Classes:

Preacher and His Work VII
Greek III

Combined:

Church History
Ezekiel and Daniel
Romans and Galatians
Wisdom Literature 1



One of our main focuses in training men to be preachers is knowledge. Each quarter, students spend time reading the Bible, memorizing verses, reading selected commentaries, preparing sermons, writing articles and research papers, and taking quizzes and exams. Nevertheless, all this knowledge gained would still be useless unless it can be successfully passed to others through quality preaching and teaching.



Current Students at the BIM

Thus, another focus we have is training men on how to preach and teach what they have learned. Students speak at least twice (sometimes three times) in chapel each quarter. They are critiqued, being commended in areas in which they are doing well and exhorted in areas in which they still need

improvement. Although this process can be challenging, it serves to develop these men into proclaimers of God's Word by the end of their training. It is always amazing to see how well these men are preaching near the end of their two years.

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"Global Schools News"

By Ray Sullins

The Lord once said, "Therefore pray the Lord of harvest to send out laborers into the harvest" (Luke 10:2). Well, brethren, this is our work. We are looking for laborers who will be trained in the U.S.A. and throughout Africa. Our prayer is the same, that God will send us faithful men to train so that they may go out into the world and preach the saving message of Jesus Christ. We are blessed to train these men and are thankful for the opportunities which God provides.

In Africa, there are so many men who will take up the mantle and train to be gospel preachers to help us reach a lost and dying world. For example, this good brother (pictured right) from Kenya has committed to joining our next intake of students in Nairobi which starts on February 21st. These men must leave their homes, wives, and children for a short time to follow the important call of God and to train to be a worker in His Kingdom. This is no small task, so we're thankful for their commitment.

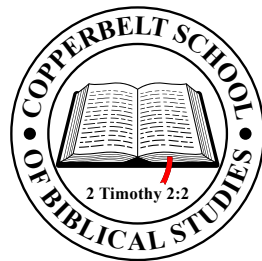
Brethren, this is what the work is all about. We all should do all we can every day to make sure that we are right with God and to make sure that others have the chance to know Him and follow Him as well. So we thank you for joining us in this great work for God.

I can't emphasize enough how much we appreciate all of you and your continuous support of this vast work. Together, through your prayers, financial help, and encouragement, we can train more soldiers of the cross to help us go out into the world and teach the lost about the saving message of Jesus Christ. However, we can't do it without you.

In our last newsletter, we told you about the yearly deficit we have. The great news is we raised around \$12,000 of what we needed to cover our yearly shortage for 2024. This means that we only lack around \$18,000 to make sure that our work and all our schools are fully funded for 2024. Won't you please help us cover this cost so that we may not only continue what we are doing but look for even more opportunities to serve the Lord. Thank you for your help and service to the Lord. We truly love and appreciate you all and may God richly bless us as we together strive to accomplish His perfect will.



New Student of KSOBS



Since 2024

Ndola, Zambia

Lord willing, I will arrive in Ndola Zambia on February 7. I will leave home on the 5th, but it takes two days of travel to get to Ndola. When I arrive, I will be busy making final preparations and buying the needed supplies to get the school up and running.

Obviously, starting a school from scratch means you don't have any of the basic things needed to do the work. So, we will have to buy everything related to living, cooking, and teaching on the campus. There are a lot of moving parts in this operation, but we are confident we can start on the 13th of February.

In the last couple of months, there has been a lot of work going on to get the property ready for operation. The location was formerly a school, but we realized we needed more space to house and train all the men, so we are building an additional building on the property. We are making some adjustments to the current building so that it can be used as a dormitory, teachers' homes, and dining hall. The new building will be used for a classroom, office, and apartment.

We are planning to start with fifteen students in our first class. They should arrive around February 11th. Please pray for all of them as they are making



Roofing the New Building

preparations to join us for their new course of studies.



Outside of the Original Building

We are also beginning to move our teachers to the area. Hopefully within the next week, they will all be in Ndola and ready to begin their work. Please pray for them also as this will be a big change and a real challenge for them. They have not had to teach full-time like this before, and this is difficult to learn and keep up with. We pray they are ready and up for the challenge.

I am also thankful that brother Scott Richards will join me to be present for the start of the new classes. It is going to be an exciting time as we are at the start of a new school and the first intake of the school. What a wonderful day and time this will be, as we are doing these things to the glory and praise of God.



Plastering the Walls

As you can see from the pictures of the construction, a lot of work has been going on, and by the time you receive this newsletter, it will be mostly finished.

Brethren, we ask you again to please pray for this new and good work of the Lord. Also pray for all those involved that everything might go well and that all things will be accomplished for God's sake and unto His glory. We are certainly thankful to play a vital role in taking the gospel of Christ throughout Zambia and in helping to enable the church in Zambia to remain sound and strong.

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Since 1998 Livingstone, Zambia

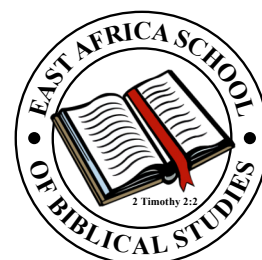
The second year of studies has begun in Zambia. We had all fourteen men return after the break and they are back and busy training to equip themselves as gospel preachers. God abundantly continues to bless our good work in Livingstone.



Students in Class

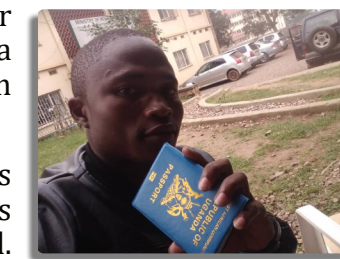
On a sad note, one of our faithful soldiers of the cross, brother Fellow Mujuku, was involved in an accident and lost his life. He graduated from the school back in 2005. Please keep his family in your prayers during this devastating loss.

Written by Ray Sullins



Since 2003 Busia, Uganda

This month has been a busy one in Uganda. We are still working on the problems with the registration, as we have mentioned in previous newsletters. We are getting closer to a resolution, and we believe we are headed in the proper direction. Because of the delay, we have sent our current students to Zambia to complete the last seven months of their training.



Student Holding a Passport

All our Uganda students have had to get passports and prepare for travel. Simultaneously, the school in Zambia is organizing to take in these students. Most likely this transfer will be in March. Please keep EASOBS in your prayers.

Written by Ray Sullins



Since 2017 Kumasi, Ghana

After the break, things are back up and running in Ghana. Unfortunately, one of our students did not return, but we have sixteen men who have returned to the hard studies and are busy for the Lord.



Ghana Students

Please pray for these men as they labor in their second year of studies. We have we have a very fine group of men who are going to be great laborers for the kingdom of God in West Africa.

Written by Ray Sullins



Since 2022 Nairobi, Kenya

Things have been very busy in Kenya this past month as preparations are underway for the new class of eighteen men coming about the middle of February. Since we only had twelve for our first class, more beds, desks, and chairs needed to be purchased and set up.



Truck Delivering Chairs

Lord willing, we should be ready to start classes on February 21st of this year. I look forward to being in Kenya for several days to meet the new class. Please keep me and the work in Kenya in your daily prayers.

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