

## September 2025

### Evangelism & Bible Study at Maseno University.

A new academic year has begun at Maseno University, and first-year students are quickly settling in. It is an opportune season for the various 'faith groups' to lower their fishing nets for a catch. The scramble is generally driven by the quest to 'recruit' naïve followers or adherents. One can immediately witness how vulnerable the first years are to the religious predators, especially the beguilement of the cults. Yet amidst all this we too have undertaken to pitch a tent there every Friday afternoon if God would perhaps visit His saving grace upon some of them. The Epistle of Romans is the material we have selected for this mission as it reminds us that the gospel is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes (Romans 1:16).



### Discipling the Youth



John Piper once told the young people, "Don't Waste Your Life." So, I thought of telling the young people in our congregation, "Don't Wreck Your Life" (discerning the temptations of youth).

A few of them are faced with the reality of the 'turning point' in life, such as marriage and career. Such transitions tend to be fragile, and much wisdom and care is needed to guide them. Others are asking for God's guidance on how to steward singlehood for

His greater glory. The obvious question elicited by all these concerns is "what does the Bible say?" Please pray for the purity of our youth in their singlehood. Please pray for God's guidance as they make such lifechanging decisions as marriage and career.

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Tonny Karwa recently wrote of the greatest need in Kisumu.

The more we live in Kisumu the more we are convinced that there is need for a militant gospel proclamation in the region. Kisumu's religious landscape is increasingly becoming heterogenous. The metropolitan population is only 0.6 million. Other than the sustained and

growing presence of the world's major religious outfits like Islam and Hinduism, there has been a proliferation of 'Protestant offshoots' in the present times. The SDAs and JW's have multiplied their 'fishing' efforts in the region over the last decade. Cogmers, an offshoot of SDA, now has a foot in the door in Kisumu.

The Muslims are pushing so hard towards the inland from the 'horn'. The Anglican adherents in town have ostensibly been holding joint prayer meetings with the Roman Catholics, in the spirit of ecumenism and ecclesiastical unity. Perhaps, it may interest you to know that the variants of the cultic and word of faith movements in the region are not monolithic in their beliefs and practices.

Some of the latest players include the Bahá'í Faith and Mormons. In 2019, shortly after we had relocated to Kisumu, the Mormons celebrated a groundbreaking ceremony for their first chapel in Kisumu. The presence and involvement of the county government in this event not only meant that they enjoy the goodwill of the political class but also greatly served to validate it. A few days ago, they partnered with the local government by donating 20,000 fruit trees.

Please pray for more gospel opportunities in Kisumu.

Please plead with Christ to reap some harvest from these religious groups and movements.

Last week, we had 50 children (3-15 years old) attend our August VBS. We have identified and undertaken to focus on sharing the gospel with the children and youth in the region because their parents, affected by extreme poverty, are increasingly becoming susceptible to the material support dangled like a carrot in their eyes by the cults and false movements. This is where the movements like the Bahá'í Faith and Muslims are especially thriving. By the grace of God, we had some children from the Muslim background hear the gospel for three days. A family subscribing to the Bahá'í Faith has frequently joined our services and has seen the grave error in that movement. Please pray for their conversion. Please pray for their unbelieving parents.

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## **January 30 to February 3, 2025**

### **Weekend in Kisumu**

I spent the weekend in Kisumu with the pastor of Grace Baptist Church, Kisumu. What a joy to meet up with brethren who became members of Trinity many years back, and who have been faithfully serving the Lord where He has called them.

Tonny Karwa was providentially brought in to the bed next to me when I was in hospital in 2014. He later joined the church on profession of faith, studied in the TPC, and was called to the ministry in Kisumu. I felt very much at home in the church, spending the whole day in worship and fellowship, appreciating the determination to be Biblical 'in church'. Tonny led the Adult Sunday School class on the Confession. I preached on the new covenant from Hebrews 8:6-10 focussing on the law written on the heart. There was lunch for everyone and then the time of 'Meditation'. I wondered what they would be, and it was a time of

considering the morning's ministry. The day was concluded with the Lord's Supper.



Sunday morning service



'Meditation' meeting