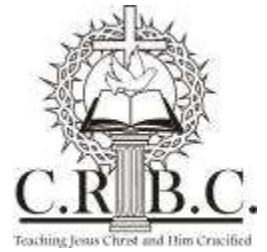




Christian Research Bible College Newsletter



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Sewing for the Master

Some of the ladies of the Southwest Church of Christ congregation (*Tigard, Oregon*) went to the elders and said they wanted to start a “Sewing for the Master” ministry. The elders here always ask: “Who will be the champion for the ministry, will it be evangelistic and how much will it cost.”



They started the ministry and invited ladies in the community to join them in this work of helping others with sewing. There have been 5 baptisms because of this ministry since the ladies have taught them the Gospel. No elders, deacon or minister was involved in teaching them, but the ladies did the teaching themselves.

One of the leaders had a daughter going to Zambia each year and made the need known about hygiene kits for the villages’ young ladies. Many of the young girls would miss a week of school during their menstrual cycle because they had no money for hygiene items. Some of the young ladies would even sell their bodies so that they had these items. The ladies have made thousands of hygiene kits. I go to Africa two to four times a year and I take these kits with me. I have also taken them to Honduras and Panama. The ladies also make clothes for children to send along with kits if the ones going request clothes.

The ladies raise their own money for this, and I think we have \$2000 set aside in the church’s budget for shipping costs.

The ladies have purchased sewing machines for a Bible School in Obudu, Nigeria, for a Christian school in Okuku Yala, Nigeria, for ladies of a congregation in Koindu Town, Sierra Leone, and for the ladies of a congregation in Chirware, Zimbabwe that I know of.

They have also supported at the beginning, a teacher to teach those learning to sew, and materials and items needed to keep the machines running. One place they even purchased tables to put the machines on while they sew.

The ladies have two groups. One group meets at the building on Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. The other group meets on Thursday from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. They do this weekly. Many even sew at home to meet the needs that are requested from those needing these items.

We receive reports back from these areas telling us that they are now making hygiene kits, they are repairing clothes for those that don't have funds to buy more, and one group sews shirts and shorts for prisoners whose clothes had worn out and who were basically going around naked. Some have sewn uniforms for school children. Also those who have received these machines and materials have been selling some of the items they make at a much lower price just so they have funds to buy more material.

God bless,
Dan Goodyear

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Greetings to my brethren in Christ!

It is my pleasure to update you on what is going on with the ministry of the Lord here. Presently, preparations are ongoing for the upcoming graduation.

Primarily, the Bible school has resumed from the short break. This is their last semester before closing and graduation. Meanwhile, enrollment of new students is ongoing. Interviews and orientations are in progress. We are hoping for more to enroll by His grace.



There are more evangelism plans to extend the work in the hopes of getting more workers soon by His grace.

The number of baptisms continues to increase and is going on daily in various congregations where our works and activities extend by His grace.





Establishment of new congregations and the strengthening of the existing ones is ongoing.



A recent congregation started too, yet they worship in a house.



A visit across the country in Guinea was to see how we could help in evangelism.



During the day preaching, tracts are being shared with those interested.



Preaching is done also at night.



21st Century Global Missions



The 21st Century Global Missions is one of the Bible schools of the churches of Christ in Liberia which is in corroboration with the CRBC in order to help expand evangelistic works in that region as well. Their meeting hall is 21 miles from Koindu and according to Joseph, “It’s the Kissi people around the border with Sierra Leone”. This is where the church there holds their worship services. Joseph stated that “There is a student from there even who is attending here (CRBC)”. On Friday September 29 they held a meeting to discuss their working together and laid out plans for the work. They hope to kick start this initiative after the 2023 CRBC graduation.



We are excited to announce that my wife (*Laura*) and I are planning to visit Koindu this month for the first graduation of the CRBC. We hope to be leaving on Monday October 23 (*with a 3 day layover in Brussels*) and return November 11. The graduation is to be held on November 3 with 11 graduates. We have the funds to make the trip but the school is in immediate need of a laptop (\$550+/-) and projector (\$500+/-). By God’s grace we are also working on an “Adopt a Student” program where Joseph has stated that with only \$100 per student “we can use that to get all their models for each course”. If you or your congregation would like to participate in this program, or donate toward these items or toward the other works of the CRBC please contact me through my email or phone number listed below. Thank you!

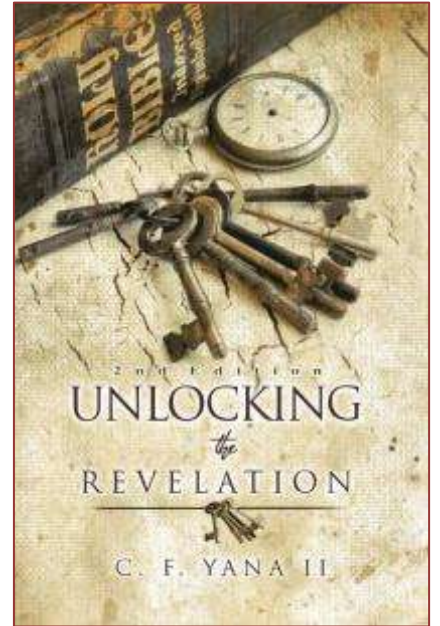
In Him,
Charli Yana



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If you, or your congregation, would be interested in supporting the work of the CRBC, a free copy of the book “Unlocking the Revelation” can be sent to you. To support the CRBC, checks can be made out to: “Lighthouse Church of Christ”; memo line “Joseph Yillia/CRBC” (address listed below). An updated financial report can be sent to any donor. Budgets can be tight but even a small amount of \$50 each month would go a long way toward supporting the CRBC. If you would like to purchase a copy of “Unlocking the Revelation” they are \$12.95 plus shipping and handling. If you would like to support the Ghana Bible College or purchase a book, you can contact me via chapelalley@gmail.com for more information.



Photos of Joseph’s schooling, graduation, family, campus construction and work can be viewed at

<https://www.truthdiscovered.net/index.php/photo-galleries>

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