

LIGHT BEARERS MINISTRY

MISSION UPDATE

June 2003

MALO SCHEDULE CHANGE

19th Annual Convocation at Malo
July 1-6, 2003

NOTICE: Leo Schreven will be
offering a financial seminar
Sunday, July 6, 9 am–12 pm.

Testimonies From the Field

Forty-four Prisoners Baptized

It was a happy day in January 2002 when I met Mama Kikula in Dar Es Salaam. I was very hot and extremely frustrated as I futilely tried to “hurry up” the clearing of a container of literature through Customs. But bureaucracy is not easily hurried! Just when I was reaching my limit of frustration, the Lord sent this dear little colporteur lady to brighten my day. She flashed me a big smile and asked in the sweetest tone, “Could I get some literature for the prisoners in the Dodoma prison?” That encounter not only melted all my anger on the spot, but also started a new partnership for Kibidula in prison ministry. I appreciated the “attitude adjustment” this earnest little lady gave me with her smile and I gladly gave her Bible studies and tracts for those prisoners.

By May of 2002, I was overwhelmed with her report that she had 170 prisoners studying the Bible with the materials we had given her. It was a privilege in September 2002 to send free Bibles and songbooks for some of those inmates. When I met with her again in February 2003 to help with specific books for the prisoners’ needs, she

LIGHT BEARERS SUPPLIES LITERATURE TO MINISTRIES AND MISSIONARIES ON THE FRONT LINES OF SERVICE. Kibidula Farm Institute in Tanzania, Africa, is one such ministry with whom we are very fortunate to work. It is operated by a company of godly men and women who are highly organized and energetic in their efforts to win souls for Christ. The following paragraphs bring you a few testimonies from Barry Mosier, Treasurer of Kibidula Farm Institute, regarding how the literature we send is used.

gave me the joyful report that only one week previous, forty-four prisoners had been baptized. Even though I had sweated furiously as I worked in that 40-foot book container in Dar Es Salaam, there was no frustration this time—only joy.

Students Teaching Students

About a year ago, we gave fifty sets of Bible studies (in Swahili) to a young student from Mkwawa Secondary School. A group of Adventist students there on campus had formed an Adventist young people's witnessing organization. They used those Bible studies to witness to and study with their fellow students.

Recently a young man from their group, Julius Izombe, returned for more Bible studies. He told me that they would soon baptize twelve of their fellow students as a result of the Bible studies received from **Light Bearers Ministry**. Thank you, thank you! Of course, we were delighted to give him another fifty sets of studies!

“Please Help”

I receive letters and calls every week or two from churches in the West Field of Tanzania pleading for literature. We are currently shipping fifty boxes of literature to this remote field. I will also send two boxes of Bible studies next week to the Mpanda church. The pastor of this district wrote the following: “I am a church/district pastor for Mpanda with nine churches and 1,300 members. This request for Bible studies and tracts will help us to plant and harvest many souls for Christ very soon. We do not have money to pay for printed matter, but hope to get it from you free. This area is unentered and affected by witches and witchcraft. They don't know the true God. PLEASE HELP US! Pastor Emmanuel Ngusa.”

Daniel Balehetse of remote Kasulu wrote, “I am a global mission worker in an area with not even one Adventist. Please help me with tracts or books to help me establish the work here. God bless you as you consider my request.”

Recently I got an urgent call from the Iringa district pleading for tracts. Thanks to your help, we have been able to meet this request. We just shipped 240 boxes to be divided among all the churches in the Southwest Tanzania Field. Pastor Mtenzi, Personal

A Typical Mother in Need of Hope





Countless People Eager to Read the Gospel

Ministries Leader, will be teaching people to use these with evangelistic efforts. Two days ago, I gave out ten boxes to our own sixteen global mission workers that we sponsor and train. Those ten silent messengers are a tremendous blessing to these workers who are stationed in totally unentered areas of Tanzania.

Silent Messengers Do Their Work

We enjoy getting mail here at Kibidula, and in September 2002, we received a letter that was really worth reading! It seems that the hundreds of boxes of literature that were distributed in the refugee

camps near Kigoma by Rudy Harnisch, Keith Mosier and the European Bible School a year and a half ago had been hard at work.

The letter was from a bishop of the Free Methodist Church who had been reading these tracts. As the members of his church group compared the tracts with Scripture, they were convinced that these things were true. Now they are asking to join us. Amazingly, there are 4,050 of them, including ten pastors and twenty-five evangelists! Surely, this is a sign of the times as we see people coming forward in such large numbers searching for Bible truth.

We are thankful that we can lift up the Bible only and present its precious truths in the light of Jesus. It is so sad to see gatherings here in Africa imitating devil dances, hysteria, and hypnotic possession of years gone by. Although they attach the name of Jesus to what they are doing, they completely disregard the beautiful teachings of the Bible.

We have responded to them and have sent many books and tracts to their leaders to help clarify prophetic issues and to illuminate God's Word. It is almost impossible for us to enter these camps as foreigners, but the Union and Field are working to meet with them to answer questions and study together. Please pray for these people as the Devil works very hard to deter them from carrying on their search for truth.

Literature is a silent but effective worker. With the help of Light Bearers Ministry and others, we literally distribute "tons" of literature around Tanzania. In September and October 2002, we distributed about 250 boxes or 10,000 pounds of tracts across Tanzania. Also, continue to pray that these silent messengers will carry their precious tidings across Tanzania and around the world.



Atoning Provision Greater Than Man's Need

Justice demanded the sufferings of a man. Christ, equal with God, gave the sufferings of a God. He needed no atonement. His suffering was not for any sin He had committed; it was for man—all for man; and His free pardon is accessible to all. The suffering of Christ was in correspondence with His spotless purity; His depth of agony, proportionate to the dignity and grandeur of His character. Never can we comprehend the intense anguish of the spotless Lamb of God, until we realize how deep is the pit from which we have been rescued, how grievous is the sin of which mankind is guilty, and by faith grasp the full and entire pardon.

The Review and Herald, Sept. 21, 1886

(*7A Bible Commentary*, p. 473.1)

Accepting Resumes

Light Bearers is in need of filling the following full-time position:
Bookstore Manager/Computer Systems Administrator: To manage a mail order and onsite resource center and maintain day-to-day computer systems. Must be organized, high-energy, efficient and computer smart.

Events Schedule

- ◆ **June 6-7**
Ardmore SDA Church, OK
James Rafferty—☎(580)564-9399
- ◆ **June 13-14**
Santa Cruz SDA Church, CA
Ty Gibson—☎(831)685-3632
- ◆ **June 21**
Arden SDA Church, NC
Herb Montgomery—☎(828)684-6700
- ◆ **June 23-28**
East Coast Convocation, Fletcher, NC
LBM—☎(828)687-5112
- ◆ **July 1-6 (Please note schedule change!)**
LBM Convocation, Malo, WA
☎(509)779-4444
- ◆ **July 11-13**
Sweden
Ty Gibson—larserik.karlsson@mbox301.swipnet.se
- ◆ **July 14-19**
Norway SDA Camp Meeting
Ty Gibson—☎ 011-47-32-867100
- ◆ **July 18-26**
Soquel Camp Meeting
James Rafferty—☎(209)291-7700
- ◆ **July 23-27**
Upper Columbia Conf. REFRESH—Spokane, WA
Ty Gibson—☎(509)838-2761
- ◆ **July 26-27**
Glide SDA Church, OR
Herb Montgomery—☎(541)498-2236
- ◆ **July 31–August 10**
SDA Camp Meeting, Greece
Ty Gibson—lackey@otenet.gr
- ◆ **August 20-24**
Ooltewah SDA Church, TN
James Rafferty—☎(423)715-1066

Lift Him Up

3ABN Schedule
(GE- 4 Satellite;
Sky Angel Channel 9710)

Tuesday	4:30 p.m. (PST)
	10:30 p.m. (PST)
Thursday	11:00 a.m. (PST)
Saturday	10:30 a.m. (PST)

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