
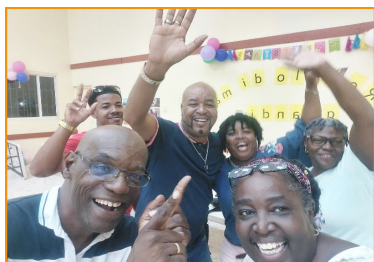


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**In rural Malawi,** GMI team member Jack has equipped a team which is reaching isolated fishing villages on a lake. After taking multiple trips by boat, the team has already seen the Lord's hand in this effort. Four men have come to know Christ as Savior and a Bible study group is now meeting. Pray for this team as they confront various perils for the gospel. On a recent trip, a hippo threatened the team while in their boat. After a three-hour standoff and much prayer, the hippo left them alone to continue on their journey.



Look family with Carlos and Denise Brunk

**Traveling to Aruba,** GMI team members Carlos and Denise Brunk, along with Pastor Michael Look, his wife Sandra, and their son, Joseph, from Curacao conducted a survey and evangelism trip at the end of July and beginning of August. This is the Brunks' second trip to Aruba this year as they build contacts and survey the island for areas where GMI might begin a new ministry. During their strategic visits to the Aruba, the Brunks have identified several families who would like to see a new church planted that teaches God's grace. They have also had the opportunity to lead various people to the Lord. During

this last visit, the Brunks and Looks contacted over 300 homes in the community of Brazil!

**In Burundi,** the GMI team continues to cast a wide net as they develop contacts and teach people about God's grace. The radio team, led by GMI team member Tom Sanchez, recorded another twelve 30-minute programs of Afya Yetu (Our Health) as a way to give practical health advice and teach biblical principles. Method Mwenda-pole, Tom's GMI co-worker on the field, has recently visited 11 churches and has taken part in Bible seminars for 25 church leaders. The GMI team continues to disseminate Bible Correspondence Fellowship courses which have become a go-to resources for believers, churches, and ministries wanting to deepen their understanding of God's Word in Burundi.

**Other News from Malawi.** GMI team member Bill Vinton went to southern Malawi to the village of Ntaja with a team of Malawian pastors to offer two Bible courses: Dispensational I and Practical Theology II (How to Read your Bible). Fourteen students completed the courses. GMI team member Titus Lloyd is enjoying his class of students at the Lilongwe campus of the Grace Bible School of Malawi where he is teaching computer skills. Brook Seekins, who is the youth ministry liaison as a member of the GMI team in Malawi, shares, "My team of leaders did a great job running a youth conference in southern Malawi the end of July. I have received wonderful reports of participation from local

churches; youth ready to do another one soon and add more days so they can learn more; and even young, married couples who attended and have gone home and put into practice some of the things they learned in the Bible teaching times and the breakout groups for married youth." Meanwhile, the Nyakambiris, also serving with GMI in Malawi, report that the pig building is almost complete in Mbewa as part of a project to enhance the livelihood of women in the area.



Pig barns under construction

**In Panama,** Alvaro Barrantes who is leading the GMI team in the country just finished a course based on the book, "Understanding your Bible" by Craig MacDonald. His GMI co-worker Ronnie Mackensen is seeing growth and new interest in his martial arts classes which meet Tuesday and Thursday nights. Recently, the church plant in the city of David also added two new members.



Ronnie conducts martial arts classes

**Ciudad del Este,** Paraguay, is the home of two GMI church plants. The original church plant, Iglesia Biblica de la Gracia

(Grace Bible Church), just celebrated its fifth anniversary in July. GMI team member Alex Gulart, who helped start this church, shares about another potential church plant 15 hours across the country: "In March of this year, they [a core group of German Menonites Alex has been discipling] started meeting every Sunday in a house for a time of Bible Study and worship. Now, there are around 30 believers every Sunday. A couple weeks ago, we visited them again and we celebrated the first Lord's Supper in Loma Plata. We continue walking step-by-step towards establishing a Bible church there." In addition to this, he and the team are targeting another town an hour and a half away, Campo Nueve, for another church plant. On the south side of the Ciudad del Este metropolitan area, Iglesia Biblica Bereana (Berean Bible Church), just celebrated six months of reaching the community for Christ as this congregation has also solidified and grown.



New church plant in Ciudad del Este

**Discipleship in Tanzania** takes many forms. GMI team member Ted Rabenold reports how equipping local farmers to construct fish ponds is leading to spiritual growth as he gives "praise for relationships made through the fish farming project. Farmers who are interested in switching their rice paddies into fish ponds have been coming to us and asking for our advice. It has given our discipleship team opportunities to make relationships and share their faith in tangible ways."