

Grace Ministries Around the World

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• *Vision 2023.* Continue to pray for GMI's ten-year strategic plan to open eight new fields and recruit sixteen U.S. missionaries or missionary families and ten GMI Partners or Associate Missionaries.¹

• Two New GMI Partner families were approved at the June 2014 board meeting. Alex (Uruguay) and Deltha (Mexico) Gulart met during a two-year missionary venture on the Operation Mobilization ship, Logos 2, during which time they served with missionaries from other countries to bring the gospel to many port cities throughout the world. They have been assigned to work in Paraguay to begin a new work through evangelism and church planting. Joseph and Emmanuela Asong are from Cameroon, but have been serving alongside our GMI missionaries in Malawi for over two years. Now that they have become GMI Partners. they will continue to work in Malawi to strengthen the theological education



Joseph, Princess Joyce, and Emmanuela Asong

of the pastors and church leaders. To learn how you can support their ministries, visit <u>www.gracem.org</u> and click on the "missionary" link at the top of the page to find the Gularts and Asongs.

• Kennedy and Sofia Simtowe. GMI Missionaries in Africa, traveled to Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe with Givemore Nyakambiri, a Zimbabwean pastor studying and working alongside our GMI missionaries in Malawi. They conducted seminars which were attended by ten church leaders. They covered topics dealing with Bible study, a dispensational understanding of the Bible, the gospel of the grace of God, Christian leadership, and evangelism as a way of life. They also went out one day engaging in personal evangelism. A few accepted the message of the qospel.

• The Tanzania Camp Ministry finished staff training in early June with a team of 33. A record number of campers—187—attended the first week of camp, and 75 came to know Christ as their Savior. GMI missionary, Brook Seekins, is grateful for the strong staff and record number of campers.

• Talamanca, Costa Rica. Another team from Iglesia Bíblica de la Gracia in Alajuela visited the Talamanca region of Costa Rica. The team shared with two family groups from Genesis 1-3 concluding their studies with our



Eric Mango in Burundi with believers who attended his 4-day seminar

need to have a relationship with God through Jesus Christ. The people from this area do not have much understanding of God or His Word. Pray that God will continue to work during the more frequent trips to Talamanca and that He will raise up a family to live among the people of Talamanca in the near future.

• Burundi, Africa. GMI Partner, Eric Mango, recently returned to Malawi after spending a few weeks in Burundi. With a contact that GMI has in Burundi, Eric utilized his trip as an opportunity to meet with local believers for whom he conducted a four-day seminar. He was so encouraged to spend time with people who had such an unusual hunger for the Word of God. Please pray for these believers in Burundi. Eric observes that, "indisputably, Burundi is ripe for the harvest."

• At the prison in Ngwala, Tanzania, GMI missionary, Cory Hodgson, and his team delivered Bibles, songbooks, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and Bible study lessons. On the Sunday morning of their weekend visit they worshipped with around 80 of the prisoners. While many of them arrived with their new Bibles and songbooks, Cory had the opportunity to preach and present the Gospel. Also during the weekend, the team conducted a seminar on the Book of Ephesians at a local church.

• Forty-two Pastors will soon graduate from the years four through six at the Kama Pastor's School in Congo. Bill and Sue Vinton, GMI missionaries currently serving in Malawi after 29 years in Congo, are "thankful that these men will soon be used by God in many leadership roles in the Congo Church."

• In Mumba, Tanzania 16 students graduated from the Tanzania Grace Bible Institute in June from the threeyear pastoral program. Steve Sherman, GMI missionary in Tanzania, writes that, "It requires a significant amount of commitment to complete all ten two-month modules. We are rejoicing with these graduates who have persisted in order to equip themselves for God's service."



Barb Sherman congratulating a graduate from the Tanzania Grace Bible Institute

¹To find out more about GMI Partners and Associate Missionaries visit <u>www.gracem.org</u> and click on the link for <u>Vision 2023</u>.

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