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MOBILISING - MENTORING - TRAINING

This Edition: Business as a means to help Mission's become a reality! This newsletter is a reflection from ACTS13 Mobiliser Aloys Nduwindavyi from Burundi.

Burundi is a small country and it is considered evangelised because the dominant religion is Christianity; **This we praise God for!** However, the way that many Churches practice, shows that the people still need to be evangelised, and to learn God's word. Also Church leaders need to understand that missions movements will begin in Burundi when the Church understands their role in God's plan.

THE SITUATION:

The first Churches that started during colonialism now have problems with growth. They have become so involved in administration, that they have forgotten the commission that God gave them. This commission was to go into the world making disciples and gathering worshipers, so that the Apostle John's vision of the throne room of God will be fulfilled.

The indigenous Churches that were started by Burundians have different problems. Many are led by pastors who are not theologically educated, which results in syncretism that brings confusion within and outside of the Church.



THE CHALLENGE:

Missions without God's vision is like an empty body without its spirit.

One of the challenges the Burundi Church faces today is that it considers the task to go into cross-cultural missions too difficult because of **FEAR**: **Fear of man and Fear of the land!**

Aloys who is an ACTS13 Mobiliser in Burundi, shares that, "We need to realise that all of the earth belongs to the Lord, and as His children we are His people to His land. Rather than orphans, we are sons and daughters of God. I think this a privilege for the Church. Time has come and it is now the indigenous Churches of Africa who will take the responsibility for their own share in world evangelisation as sending Churches rather than as receiving Churches. All of us who are saved must work together, taking the Word of God to all peoples of the earth, because God wants everyone to go and preach the good news."



Please, as you pray for Burundi, ask the Lord that He would help change the Church leaders' mindset regarding the Mission's Call. Also pray for those who struggle with the fear of leaving their comfort to serve in missions that it would be met with the Lord's peace, boldness and provision.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE CHALLENGES:

Creating small businesses is one of our main strategies in **MISSION MOBILISATION** in Burundi. It helps give an answer to the challenges people are facing. Businesses help by providing finances to support mission programs and by creating a means to get access into difficult areas. With this approach, prospective missionaries are learning how they can go as tent makers to the missions field.

God isn't looking for something that you do not have, He looks at what He has already given you. Moses in the Bible was asked this question, "What do you have in your hand?" Our answer to this question helps us to think about how we can join others in God's plan to reach the nations. The Church might not have much money to send to their missionaries, however missional business helps provide funds. God has given different GIFTS to EVERYONE, and if we work as a TEAM we can complete each other. This in turn translates to more being produced with a unified purpose and at the right time.





Aloys shares that, "Where there is vision, there is **provision** but where there is vision without provision, there is **confusion**. So, to face this challenge we need to create money to support our families, our ministries, and to send out missionaries as well. Doing Business in Missions required that we change our mindset from thinking that we need a huge budget to have an enterprise, to calling them '**SMALL BUSINESSES**' with the vision to have future mission funds."

Turn to PAGE 3 to see practical examples of what Aloys and team are doing in Burundi.



BECOME A PRAYER PARTNER: WE NEED YOU.

Are you willing to partner with us to pray for 'Unreached People Groups'?

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From the early beginnings of ACTS13 Africa there was a burning desire within the leadership that a number of 'Unreached People Groups' would be adopted. This simply meant that a major focus through ACTS13 would be to find Missionaries with a calling and passion to reach these specific African people groups. The aim wasn't only to find people to GO but also a commitment was made to PRAY for them. If you would like to 'ADOPT' one of these people groups and be committed to praying for them for one whole year, visit our website to find what people groups are available for adoption: acts13africa.org/prayer-partner

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PLEASE PRAY:

Pray that as our ACTS13 mobilisers interact with Church leaders and other passionate Christians, people would respond and begin preparation to join our WEC branches and

teams around the world.

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WHAT WE ARE DOING IN BURUNDI - OUR STRATEGY:

Leadership training, mentoring, and coaching.



CHURCH DEVELOPMENT FUND (CDF):

This is a program with a vision to create revenue for pastors, Church leaders, Church planters and missionaries.

HOPE FOR SOLIDARITY COMPANY (HOSOCA):

This is a program that develops a believer's talents to contribute in the missionary movement. We have 12 candidates who currently have projects in Burundi. HOSOCA focuses on training for transformation, to create businesses for one's family, one's community and to support reaching the nations. Currently the training center is based in the province of Rumonge.





The first small business project was a secretary service, printing and photocopying business for the public in Rumonge. Aloys says; "This supports my family, my mission training school in Rumonge and helped us to train missionaries, and to send them into Congo. **All Glory be to GOD!**".

FARM PROJECTS (CNAPA):

The profit from these small farms will support the vision for mission work in Congo and East Africa in the future. We created it with 20% of the set up costs from my family, then I trained 5 people about the importance of team work to reach a unified goal. They contributed their money to develop our vision. We are praying to develop more training to run more business projects.

PLEASE PRAY:

Please pray for all these projects that are being established in Burundi that they would be resourced and would truly bless the work of Missions in Burundi and beyond. Pray for Aloys to be filled with wisdom as he continues to push these projects forward.









