

REPORT OF MY MINISTRY TRIP TO TANZANIA

Greetings in the name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

I am grateful to God for His Care and Love. He has been with me throughout the mission trip to Tanzania and back. My mission trip began with preaching a sermon at Christ Bible Church, Mombasa on 5th Sep 2021 before leaving to Tanga together with my Brother Mustafa Abubakar. We spent the night in Tanga at a missionaries' home. The two missionaries, Victor and Dorcas Mushimbami are from Zambia and are doing mission work in Tanga, reaching the Muslim community there. We were encouraged by the testimony of how God has been working in their midst. They are currently having church meetings in their house and the Lord is increasing their numbers. I was particularly encouraged to meet a brother I can partner with in reaching the Muslims along the Swahili Coast.



FROM LEFT; Mustafa Abubakar, Victor Mushimbami, Dorcas Mushimbami, Yohana Yusuf

MEETINGS IN DAR ES SALAAM AND BAGAMOYO

FIRST GROUP OF PASTORS

Venue; FPCT Church, Bunju

We left Tanga on 6TH September and arrived in Dar es salaam on the same day. We began classes for the first group of pastors on 7th September. They were 31 pastors in number. We taught on the OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY from Genesis to Malachi. We took turns in handling different books of the Bible. We aimed at showing them Christ from All Scriptures. We showed them that the Old testament saints were saved the same way as we are BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH. We covered every book of the of the Old Testament showing them how to preach Christ from the Old testament. The students, who are preachers and ministers in their churches, seemed very keen and asked many questions.



We finished the classes with the 1st group of Pastors on Friday evening (10th September 2021). I rested on Saturday then went to preach the Gospel in Bagamoyo on Sunday the 12th September where I was invited to preach at **Berea international Fellowship**. I preached from 1 John 2:15-17.



BEREA INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP, in Mapinga BAGAMOYO.

SECOND GROUP OF PASTORS

The classes for the second group of pastors took place between 14th and 18th September. Pastor Simon Patilo of Dodoma Reformed Baptist Church was scheduled to teach for three days and we were to teach for two days. He arrived in Dar es salaam but was unwell and could not teach so we were forced to share the work and teach all the classes. By His Grace we taught the second group as well. This second group was comprised men of a 'higher class' than the previous group. It had 10 men and one lady. They were so keen and composed. As we continued teaching some of them stood up and confessed that they had been misleading their congregants and had been teaching error. They pledged to change but anticipated to meet a lot of resistance from their denominations.



OBSERVATIONS;

- The teachings were gladly received and the pastors were eager to learn.
- Some basic Christian teachings were totally new to them e.g sin, salvation and the gospel which showed that the state of the Church in Tanzania is wanting.
- Majority of the pastors were from Pentecostal churches and a few from mainstream churches such as Anglican and Lutheran.
- Most pastors were afraid that if they decide to leave their denominations which teach and practice falsehood could face difficulties in getting a cover to operate under.
- Some of the pastors confessed that they were being forced to sell soap and anointing oil in their churches by their Bishops even though they know it is wrong.

PRAYER POINTS;

- Pray that the Lord will raise men in Tanzania. Men, who not only know the truth but men who love Christ passionately and ready to serve Him zealously.
- Pray that the Lord will help the men we are training to develop convictions, courage and boldness to serve Christ in the midst of opposition.
- Pray that healthy, solid, sound, biblical local churches will spring forth in Tanzania.
- Pray and consider supporting our next trip in December. The next trip we intend to teach 'A Survey of the New Testament'
- Pray also that the Lord will provide Swahili literatures. Tanzania is a Swahili speaking country and we have to translate all the English readings to Swahili.

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