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Merry Christmas

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us." Matthew 1:23 (NKJV)

Christ's Birthday celebration is a very special day for us. It is a time to gather together family and friends, share a meal, and remember. That is, remember what great thing that our Heavenly Father has done for us. He sent His Son, Jesus, to us. He was born in a lowly manger in Bethlehem. He lived a perfect life and for the last three years of His earthly life He taught us about the Father. Because of our personal sins, He went to the cross in our place and substituted Himself for us. He died. He was buried. He rose from the grave on the third day. He appeared to more than 500 eye witnesses over a period of 40 days and then was taken up to the right hand of Father God.

And because He substituted Himself for us, He has given us the right to become children of God. We must choose to quit being in charge of our lives and quit trying to save ourselves (which we cannot do because of our sins). We must make Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord.



It is quite simple but difficult to release the control of our life to someone else. Many times it takes a desperate situation for us to realize that we are not that good at running our own life and we need help. We need a Saviour. We need Jesus! That is why He came to us. So that we could have help with our daily life. So that we could have eternal life with Him in Heaven after this earthly life is finished.

What is ahead for us is wonderful! It is glorious! It is spectacular! Our words fall short of detailing the beauty of Heaven and all that awaits the children of God. We will be with our loved ones that have also chosen Him. We will live in His presence forever and will praise Him with our whole hearts. We will sing a new song to Him.

Choose Him today if you have not already. Simply pray: "Jesus come into my heart. Be my Lord and Saviour. Thank you for coming into my heart and giving me the free gift of Eternal life. Amen." LMI

Uganda

[MITYANA, UGANDA] Rev. Len Showalter planned on departing for Africa on Friday, September 30, but hurricane Ian had different plans. As it headed toward Florida, Len delayed the departure until the storm had passed. It cleared by Friday, but there was minor cleanup that was still needed. So, after rearranging the flights, Len departed for New York-Amsterdam-Entebbe on Sunday, October 2. He arrived about midnight on Monday and had a three-hour car ride to Mityana. After six hours of sleep, Len joined the Evangelism class that Rev. Daniele Yetna from Douala, Cameroon, had started on Monday morning. Also, in the class as a trainer was Rev. George Ambayo from Nairobi, Kenya. There were 29 students in attendance including Pastor Ahmed Ngombo from Mwanza, Tanzania, to whom Len hopes to go 2023 to teach evangelism.



Ahmed prays for a child

The training started on Monday by Daniele. Eight of the 29 students received Christ on the first day. The second day included street witnessing (OJT) in addition to six hours of lectures. Len arrived in time to participate in the OJT. Typically, each day contains about six hours of teaching and two hours of street witnessing. At the end of each day the students re-gathered at the church to share their team's results which is a great encouragement to all. The students would head home afterwards for several hours of homework, including memorization, and study to prepare for the next day's class. The teaching was held at Pastor Robert Mponye's church, Lifehouse Community Church which shares the property with King Kid's School.

The teaching was in English and in the local Lugandan language and continued through Friday. The class concluded with a graduation service for 27 students on Friday evening. There was much rejoicing as Len gave the report that there were 332 professions/assurances of faith in Christ! (See pg. 6 "Just the Facts")

Len, Daniele, George, and six trainers had plans on traveling to a specific church in Kigali, but some financial and administrative problems occurred. Pastor Robert came to the rescue and referred us to a different pastor friend of his in Kigali. So the plans were back on and Len and Daniele flew on Saturday to Kigali, Rwanda. The rest of the team traveled six+ hours by church van on Sunday and were reunited at the new church.

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Two ladies receive Christ



Mama cooking receives Jesus



The whole family comes to Christ



Student leads two workers to Jesus



Mityana Class of 2022 students and teachers

Rwanda

[KIGALI, RWANDA] Rev. Len Showalter and Rev. Daniele Yetna arrived in Kigali Saturday, October 8, after a 45-minute flight from Entebbe. They were met at the airport by Alain Numino of MTN, and then by Pastor Moses Bukenya of Successfully Christian Church Ministry. After a short time of fellowship, they were taken to Pastor Moses' church, given a driving tour of the area and then to their hotel. A significant problem was encountered - although English is the official language, the common language was Kinyarwanda. The printed material for the training was in English. Therefore, Daniele and Len headed out to the University looking for help. They found an available translator that translated the critical training material by the next morning. On Sunday, Len preached with the aid of an interpreter at the church and had a response of about 20 persons that wanted to be used more by God. The six trainers and George Ambayo arrived late Sunday night with some more challenging news - the English printed material for the class was held up at the border with an unknown delivery date.



Students street witnessing

The class started on Monday morning without any material. Daniele made immediate arrangements each day to have that day's material copied at a local print shop. Len started the teaching using a blackboard and several interpreters. 30 of the 36 students received Christ that morning!

Down the street from the church was Remera Academy Nursery & Primary schools of about 400 children. Len and Daniele made contact with the administrator and were welcomed to come and talk to the children in their classrooms. It was very successful with almost all the teachers and students giving their hearts to Jesus! The children continued all week finding Len because of his charm (candy?!).



Daniele: "Who wants to receive Jesus?"

The English material finally arrived to the church on Friday at graduation just in time to give to the students so that they can train others. There were 25 that graduated and the results of the week of witnessing was amazing with 1,065 professions/assurances of faith! (See pg. 6 "Just the Facts")

Daniele, George, Len and team headed to their respective homes on the weekend. Len's trip was a total of 43 hours back to Jacksonville.

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Kigali Class of 2022 students and teachers



2 Tanzanian boys receive Him



George sharing with "boda-boda" drivers



Len with his flock!

LMI Gala

[JACKSONVILLE, FL] On Saturday, November 5, 2022, from 6 to 8pm the Len Ministries Board and many volunteers hosted the Annual Friend-Raiser Gala at the Salem Centre, 7235 Bonneval Rd, Jacksonville, FL, 32256. Gracious volunteers and board arrived early for setup along with the Saleem Centre staff. The room was decorated and GrillBilly's delicious BBQ was in place!

With the help of Clint Combs and staff the event was "live" on FaceBook and on YouTube. Joe Hayworth, Chairman of the Board, who had flown in from Washington, welcomed all the registered guests. A special moment was given to honor Billy and Donna Smart of GrillBilly's for their years of service. Then, the delicious BBQ buffet was opened!

Due to sickness Beth Toenies, Master of Ceremony, was replaced by Joe Hayworth and Len Showalter. At the close of the meal Joe recognized various groups of people in attendance. Also two special door prizes were given with Pam Peterson winning the discounted training and travel for 2023. Special attention was given to Bellas Bumbas for their ministry in providing free wheelchairs to children around the world. Cathy Russi sang a delightful song to bring this time to a close.

After introduction of the LMI board, Joe gave a brief lesson on how to interpret the statistical information used in reporting the results of the ministry. Rick Wyman then introduced the guest speaker, Lidia Dole from Puerto Cortes, Honduras. She talked freely about the impact of Len Ministries in her father's church and upon her life. She is a dentist, interpreter, and now an evangelist. Len assisted Lidia at the end of her talk with an interpretation from Spanish to English that was largely incorrect. All laughed.

Len then concluded the night with a brief talk on other trips that were accomplished in 2022 and spoke on what is most important: souls and training soul winners. Next there was opportunity given for all to financially participate assisting LMI to continue the ministry that the Lord has given them.

The evening was closed in prayer by Bishop Michael Nelson. Go to: www.LenMinistries.org/Gala and follow the link to re-visit the wonderful night.

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Guest speaker from Honduras, Lidia



Len & Joe honoring Billy & Donna Smart



Wonderful buffet by GrillBilly's BBQ



Gala featured Bella's Bumbas



Len spoke on what's important



Some of the current LMI Board members and others

More Gala....

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More Rwanda....



Just the Facts: 2022

	Gospel Shared	To # of people	Professions & Assurances	Certified Trainers	Certified Teachers
Lake Asbury Baptist Church	10	10	4	2	
UCI EE Summer+	30	33	16		
UCI Kairos #89	8	7	6		
Personal (Nov)	17	24	17		
Douala, Cameroon (Zoom) - Jan	105	171	124		19
Gracias Lempira, Honduras - May	338	512	441		13
Vladimir, Russia - July	58	92	39		8
Ivanovo, Russia - August	146	260	95		19
San Salvador, El Salvador - Sept	80	122	75		8
Mityana, Uganda - October	286	441	332		27
Kigali, Rwanda - October	389	1,141	1,065		25
Totals	1,467	2,813	2,214	2	119
%Saved/Assurances		78.7%			

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on a mission trip.
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A Note From Marcia...

A big thank you to all of you that helped with the Gala in November! Your prayers, financial gifts, time, and effort will help this ministry continue to teach evangelism worldwide.

With our family being scattered this year – Florida, Michigan, and California as well as our son-in-law being deployed, Christmas 2022 will be quite different for us.

As we soon welcome in 2023, it is up to us to share Gods' abundant love and hope. **People need hope – a Savior – Jesus Christ. It is up to us to tell others about Christ! (Romans 10:13-15)** Many of us this year have experienced loss of a loved one; loneliness; financial hardship; relationship struggles; emotional or physical problems. The holidays and new year can be especially difficult and stressful. It is only through putting our hope, trust, and faith in Jesus Christ that we can overcome these major life obstacles.

“These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have

tribulation but take courage; I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33)

May you be filled with an abundance of love and hope this holiday season. May you be blessed in every way. Thank you from our family to yours for your faithfulness in reaching the lost for Christ. We continue to raise up Soul-Winners for Jesus Christ because of you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Your Missionaries,

Len and Marcia Showalter
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Calendar

Please note: event dates and locations are subject to change and do not include travel dates.

(check lenministries.org/wanna-go)

February 20 - 24, 2023:

International Evangelism School
Jacksonville, FL

Spring & Fall 2023:

International Evangelism School
Central America

Summer 2023:

International Evangelism School
Russia

Fall 2023:

International Evangelism School
Mwanza, Tanzania
Douala, Cameroon

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