



Africa Missions News

Go...teach all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
—Jesus in Matthew 28:19

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EMPOWERING LEADERS THROUGH MINISTERIAL, EVANGELISM, AND DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

Hello dear friend,

I'm a man with big visions and actions, but God has surprised me with a man, who has taken my dreams and actions and enlarged them! I want to introduce you to Nigel Ellis.



Here we are (Ron & Rina Kinnear) at our first meeting with Nigel & Jennifer Ellis and their team from the U.K. They came with visions for our Rwanda Bible College campus!

He was blessed to be raised in a Christian home to Jamaican parents, who emigrated to the United Kingdom, where he was born. Nigel grew up and married his dear wife, Jennifer, and they had dreams of a growing family. But sadly, this dream was dashed when their young son passed away. They deeply mourned this terrible loss and found little consolation.

Thankfully, they held onto their faith in God and continued serving the Lord in their local church, where they had taken on several responsibilities despite this terrible trauma.

From Death to Life

The breakthrough came when our friend Nina Eckersley an evangelist from South Africa, came to minister in their home church. They connected as she shared her life's story, and the Balm of Gilead started flowing into their lives, as Jesus restored them.

The Lord not only healed them but also awakened the call to missions in Nigel. Accepting this call, they have since visited several African countries with Nina. He was well prepared with his life experiences—he is a businessman and a building contractor.

Nina introduced us to Nigel and Jennifer and their friends when they visited South Africa. In a visit to our office, they ministered deeply to Rina and me—one of those unforgettable *Kairos* moments. Their ministry endeared them to our hearts.

Shortly after this visit, they flew to Rwanda and connected with the staff and students of our Africa Missions Bible College—Rwanda (in Nyamata situated 40 kilometers outside the capital city Kigali). They made observations and returned home with a Divine Assignment shortly before the Covid-19 lockdown was announced in the U.K.

These are the observations he made at our Bible College:

- The need for accommodations for visiting teams to Rwanda
- The need for staff housing
- The need to make the Bible College self-sustaining financially
- The need for a church building for local believers

During the lockdown, they started rolling out their plans. Their first goal was to generate funds to purchase land adjacent to the Bible College! The Lord sent the funds in a remarkable way. Two pieces of land adjacent to the Bible College have now been bought and paid for!

Nigel Ellis has now moved into the second phase to design the buildings to accommodate visiting teams and staff! God moved him from the sorrow of losing a child to the compassion for others in his call to missions. He now believes that this is a pilot project that will be rolled out in several other African countries, too! Hallelujah! God is on the move!



The land in Rwanda that is adjacent to our Africa Missions Bible College—Rwanda, that has been purchased by Nigel Ellis and friends to help make our Bible College even better!



We are rejoicing at God's goodness! Just think, it was almost two years ago that the government threatened to close our Bible College. But since then, improvements have been made and now God's property has expanded with dreams and visions being planned to implement even better use and self-sustainment for our school! What a mighty God we serve!

We are so thankful for Nigel and his dreams and actions, and we are so thankful for you. Without your prayers, gifts, and encouragement, we wouldn't even have a Bible College to train pastors in Africa. You are a blessing and we thank you so much!



Rejoicing in His goodness,

Ron & Rina Kinnear
and the AFRICA MISSIONS TEAM

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you,
always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy,
for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now,
being confident of this very thing, that
He who has begun a good work in you
will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

—Philippians 1:3-6 NKJV

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