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Winning souls through the love of God
Restoring the beauty of Rwanda – its people – one heart at a time

It has been a blessing to be back in the U.S. We “refueled” at the mission conference at Victory Christian Center and Word Explosion in August. In September, we welcomed many of you to our annual banquet to tell you of our work this past year. Being with you, our friends and partners, has brought refreshing and encouragement! We have been traveling, sharing the good news and the vision of Send Me International in numerous churches. As we prepare to leave on December 6th for another year in Rwanda, we want to give you this newsletter update with words and photos of our ministry work this past year, giving God the glory for what He has done!

Partnerships Bring Blessings

In March, a team came to Rwanda from Rev. Ernest Angley’s ministry in Akron, OH. Rev. Angley has been in ministry for over 70 years, ministering in many nations, going after souls. During their two-week visit, we partnered in bringing the love of Jesus to orphanages, aid centers, health clinics, prisons, schools, universities and churches. Parfait did a lot of the translating! Together we gave out Bibles, bracelets, books, and literature, while winning many to Christ.

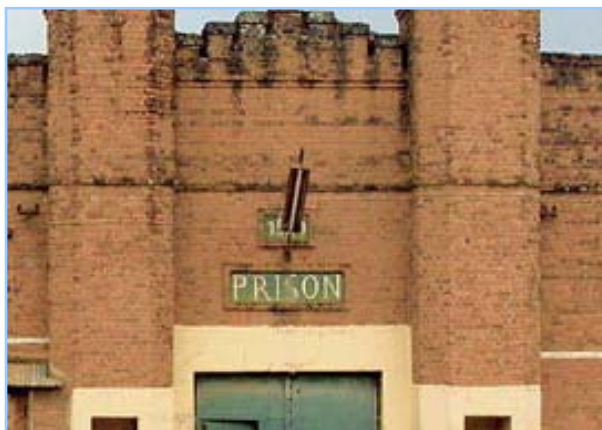
Fruitful, Joyful Sundays

In 2010, God opened doors for us to preach in 30 churches all over Rwanda on Sundays. The Bible says the angels in heaven rejoice over every salvation and we are glad to report that 1,105 men, women and children gave their hearts to Jesus, bringing joy in heaven and earth! Many were filled with the Holy Spirit and others were healed and delivered. The photo at the right is from a service held at All Nations Praise Church.



Prison Bible Schools Grow to Five

In 2009, our first year in Rwanda, we opened one International Victory Bible Institute in the prison of Kigali, the nation’s capital city. During 2010, God increased this ministry, allowing IVBI’s to open in prisons in the cities of Kimironko, Mpanga, Butare and Gisenyi. During our opening at two of these prisons, we read the “Father’s Love Letter,” a compilation of Old and New



Testament Scriptures written in the form of a love letter from God to an individual. On hearing this powerful word, 114 prisoners in both prisons gave their lives to Jesus. There are 60,000 people in Rwanda’s prison system, with thousands incarcerated because of their crimes in the 1994 genocide. It is overwhelming to these prisoners to realize that God loves them and has not forsaken them. The Bible Schools serve as a great tool for sharing this message of redemption and for providing a platform for discipleship and spiritual growth.

Alexis: A Hope & A Future



Because of you, our partners and friends – including Victory Christian School – we are able to send a number of children to school who could not otherwise receive an education. As we have shared in the past, to be accepted in school, a child must not only pay tuition, but also have a uniform and shoes, a proper haircut, and school supplies. These requirements place school beyond the reach of many of Rwanda’s poorest, most vulnerable children. Among those who are benefiting from your generosity is Alexis, the young man pictured here. His beautiful smile belies the fact that his mother abandoned him as a baby and his father died in the military. Tossed

from place to place, Parfait’s 74-year-old mother took Alexis in and is providing his first real taste of a loving home. Send Me International is privileged to pay for his school supplies and tuition. In U.S. dollars, the cost to send a child like Alexis to school for one year is only \$115. That small investment can literally change the life and destiny of a child.

Shoes and Hot Wheels!

Thanks to Jerod Smith Ministries and Muldrow, Oklahoma First Assembly of God church, we were able to distribute many Hot Wheels toy cars, as well as many pairs of flip-flop shoes that were lovingly decorated by hand. We gave shoes to children we met on the streets with no shoes, to churches that are poor, and to orphans. Some of the girls had never had shoes on their feet. Most of the boys have never had a toy and were so in awe of this gift that they didn’t want to put the cars on the ground to play with them for fear of getting them dirty. It’s easy to imagine the Father smiling over these small gifts that bring joy for “the least of these.”



Parfait took great delight in letting his head be a “race track” for one group of young children at the Elim Children’s Home. The mothers of all these children are HIV infected, but most of the children are not. We are helping contribute basic necessities for the children to



help keep these struggling families

together. Many of the mothers work at menial jobs, but are not fully able to care for their children. The mothers have peace of mind knowing that if they pass away, their children will be taken care of and can remain in familiar surroundings.



“This New Life” In Print

We are excited that **This New Life**, a book written by Pastor Billy Joe Daugherty, has been translated in Kinyarwanda by Parfait and has finally been printed. It's called **Ubu Buzima Bushya** in Kinyarwanda, the mother language of Rwanda. We share this book everywhere we go and have received many testimonies of its impact, including a grocery clerk who told us she almost couldn't go past the chapter on righteousness because it was the best news she ever received in her Christian life! Every prisoner at our Bible Schools receives the book and is assigned to read and summarize it. A social worker at one of the prisons asked for a book for her husband, whom she said was "into reading that kind of book." We gave her a copy and began sharing Jesus with her. She gave her life to Jesus and was then glad to receive **This New Life** for herself, too! The book is a great tool for evangelism and blesses those who can't afford a Bible because it is filled with Scriptures.



Kimanuka and Kamanzi: Jesus Changes Lives



When Parfait traveled in the capital city of Kigali, he kept seeing a man hanging around near the local hospital. He stopped and spoke to Kimanuka, who is an albino and is not 100% mentally fit. Kimanuka asks for a coin from everybody who walks by and uses a broom to sweep the curb of the street and the sidewalk near the hospital. When Parfait explained God's love and acceptance to him, Kimanuka invited Jesus to be his Lord and Savior. As we befriended him, we have been able to help him get nutritious food at the hospital canteen. One day, he told Parfait he couldn't eat and asked if Parfait could take all his teeth out. Realizing he needed dental

care, we contacted the hospital authorities and they agreed to treat his teeth if we would just pay the consultation fee for him.

Parfait met Kamanzi, a 22-year-old single mother as she was begging for money. As his eyes met the eyes of the baby she was carrying, he stopped to speak to her and learned that she became pregnant out of wedlock at the age of 16 and was kicked out of her church. Since then, she believed that she could never be forgiven and that there was no hope for her. When Parfait told her of Jesus' love, acceptance and forgiveness, Kamanzi gave her life back to Jesus. Parfait asked what she needed to get off the street begging. To his surprise all she needed was \$11 to go to the fields buy bananas wholesale, so she could sell them retail. We praise the Lord for delivering Kamanzi from despair and giving Send Me International the ability to reach out to her with the love of God, as well as in a purely practical way to give her a means of support.



Tulsa World Article

Our thanks to the **Tulsa World** newspaper and religion writer Bill Sherman. Bill recently wrote a lengthy article about us and our ministry work in Rwanda. We were excited to learn he has been to Rwanda twice on missions trips and shares our love for the people. You can read the article by going to the link on the homepage of our website www.sendmeintl.com.

You Make The Difference

Many of you know the story of the old man who encountered a young boy throwing starfish back into the sea. The man marveled that the boy would try to save first one, then another, then another, even when the shoreline was covered with starfish as far as the eye could see. Undaunted by the man's cynicism in asking "what does it matter?," the boy threw another starfish far out into the waves and replied, "it matters to this one."



We leave you now with a photo of three "starfish," three young boys whose futures are changed because, like the star thrower, you are giving unselfishly to help us rescue those in need and change destinies in the nation of Rwanda. It is a task far bigger than we are, but not too big for God. Your support is critical to keeping us in the harvest fields, ready to share the love of Jesus whether it is giving a child candy, shoes, or an opportunity to be educated, or ministering on the streets, in churches, and in the prisons.

We look for those divine appointments daily and thank you for sending us and being a part in reaping the harvest and changing lives for Jesus Christ. We love you and appreciate you for your faithfulness.

In His Love,

Michelle and Parfait

We are deeply grateful for each of you and your support in prayer and financial giving. We are praying for you to fulfill God's call on your life, just as your partnership allows us to fulfill His call on our lives. Please prayerfully consider becoming a monthly supporter and join us in reaching more people for Jesus. Whatever you can give is greatly appreciated and no gift is too small. If you are receiving this newsletter by mail, enclosed is an envelope outlining how you can partner with us. Please use the back of the form to include your praise reports or prayer requests. If you are receiving this newsletter by email, you can send contributions and your prayer requests through our website, www.sendmeintl.com. Thank you for your prayers, love, sacrifices, and gifts. Please tell others about Send Me International and invite them to learn more about our ministry at www.sendmeintl.com.

