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**October: 70 Prison Events - 14,379 Professions of Faith!**

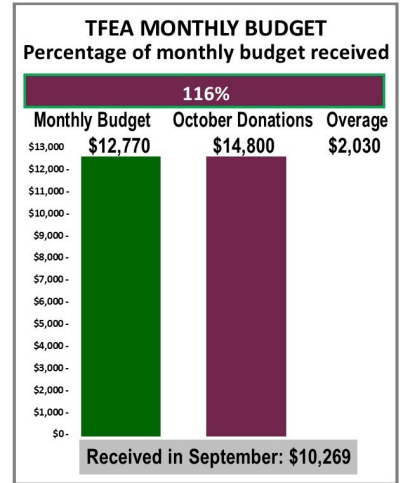
Dear TFEA/Freedom Team Partner,

We are thankful for our Partners and Supporters who make our ministry financially feasible. We are very thankful to the Lord for the tremendous number of people who are coming to Christ in the East Africa Prisons and now in the 23 WAY Churches that are all being led by former inmates who have been part of the prison cell churches.

However, we are asking you as a partner and supporter of our ministry to please lift up daily the nation of Uganda as the outbreak of the Ebola virus is going through the nation. There is currently no cure for Ebola but researchers are actively working on it. Please pray that God would protect His people and would bring a stop to the virus. This can also have an impact on our Teams as some ministries have already been restricted from visiting the prisons.

Thank you Partners for your continued prayers and financial support that God is using so greatly to impact the nation of Uganda.

Bless you, Tom, Carla, Joy, David, Steve, Ted, Hector, Evangelist Bryan, Loice & Staff Assistants Alex & Doreen, Evangelist Joshua, & the Freedom Team



News | Health

## Uganda to close schools early after eight children die of Ebola

Education minister says cabinet has decided to shut preschools, primary schools and secondary schools from November 25.



## Please pray for the Ebola outbreak

Evangelist Bryan has sent these news articles to us and asking for prayer for our Teams and those we minister to. He is also in communication with the Government Officials and following their recommendations and guidelines for keeping our Teams and people safe. **Thank you for your prayers.**



Schools across Uganda will close two weeks before the scheduled end of term after 23 [Ebola cases](#) were confirmed among pupils, including eight children who died.

Education Minister Janet Kataha Museveni said on Tuesday that the cabinet had taken the decision to close preschools, primary schools and secondary schools on November 25 because densely packed classrooms were making students highly vulnerable to infection.



Health workers are at risk from treating Ebola patients

An outbreak of Ebola in Uganda is proving more difficult to deal with than more recent epidemics, with its recent spread to the capital city, Kampala, causing particular concern.

## Evangelist Reports from East Africa & Mexico



Evangelists Bryan & Loice

### **Evangelist Bryan Report: 36 Events 6,192 Respondents 6,007 Registered First-time**

Praise the Lord for yet another great harvest this month, amidst the Ebola outbreak threat, we have finished the month and all our events have been successful fulfilling all our schedules in time without interruption, we thought that changes would be made that would affect our activity because of the Ebola outbreak, but God has permitted His work to be accomplished this month, and what a great harvest! We have had a very successful month both in the prison church, community and in the Way House Church, the number of salvations is increasing and the entire church is growing mightily both in membership (numbers) and spiritually.

We have limited our Bible supply to the inmates in the cells who have no any access to Bibles as we noticed that the inmates coming out of prison with a strong desire for God's word and have the capacity to buy their own Bible after a few months or even weeks. So, we are no longer giving Bibles to the Way & Community Church converts, but we give to the inmates. We still have a few copies left but please pray as we are almost out of Bibles.

We are thankful to TFEA, Freedom team, and all partners for your continued support, prayers and spiritual guidance.

Evangelists Bryan and Loice, TFEA East Africa

### **Evangelist Joshua Report: 32 Events 8,897 Respondents 8,353 Registered First-time plus 8 Sunday Services**



Evangelist Joshua Tukesiga

Praise the Lord for the fruitful month of October once again!! Greetings to our beloved partners in this work, I'm so thankful to God for His continued blessings throughout the month. Although we have had Ebola threats here and there, because of the recent outbreak still thousands of prisoners have continued to give their lives to Christ in our events. That is my greatest joy that God has honored our ministry to be used in this way in our region.

We are praying that the Ebola virus will stop spreading soon and that it will have no effect on our activities. Please pray that Ebola outbreak will not be severe and that God will stop it soon. We bless the Name of the Lord for His saving grace and provision towards this ministry.

God's blessings to you all, Evangelist Joshua & Team (TFEA Uganda)



### **Hector Soto Report: 2 Events 34 Respondents 19 Registered First-time**

In Nogales, Sonora, Mexico the cold began to set in and there were predictions of snow in the weather forecast. In the rehabilitation centers and prisons on Nogales most of the facilities are not heated which means the inmates are putting on layers of clothing to stay warm. Hector was also beginning the process of putting on layers to stay warm and the weather limited his ministry engagements for the month of October. He enjoys being able to take coffee and sugar to the rehabilitation centers as a gift for them.

## 219 Prison Cell Churches in 5 Government Prisons

TFEA has the fastest growing prison church this month with 13,641 inmates were baptized in the 5 prisons where we have prison cell churches. We now have a total number of 21,900 inmates in the 219 prison cell churches in these five prisons (Kakiika, Nyabuhikye, Kiburara, Rukungiri and Ntungamo Government Prisons). Baptism has become part of our events to keep up with the sheer number of new believer respondents as our goal to baptize every new believer. We have also given a copy of the Bible to each of these respondents. Please pray that God would provide the funds so we can print more Bibles.



## More Land Donated to TFEA Uganda

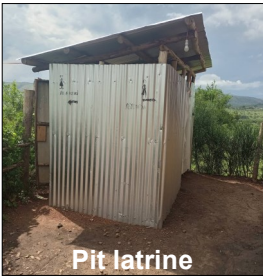
TFEA Uganda has received another donation of land about 50 by 100 ft in size and just a few meters from the previous donated land. It was donated from one of our WAY Community Church neighbors who appreciates the work of transformation that has been done in the lives of the people in the neighborhood. It was donated from a politician because of the many verbal testimonies and visible physical changes of former drunkards in the area whose lives have been transformed.

### ***Praise God For:***

- \* The many people eagerly volunteering to help build physical structures for the growing churches.
- \* Providing the funds to purchase the materials to do the construction.
- \* Using our faithful TFEA Supporting Prayer Partners that make our ministry possible and fruitful!!!!

### ***Prayer Requests for TFEA & The Freedom Team***

- \* That the Ebola virus would be stopped quickly.
- \* That God would continue to provide the needed funds for to purchase more Bibles & the Fuel Fund.
- \* That God lays it on the hearts of people to be involved and support the miraculous work He is doing.
- \* That God keeps all of our Evangelistic Teams, Prison Leaders, and Church Leaders safe & healthy.



## **Construction to begin on WAY Church Centre - A Mega Church**

The Construction of the WAY Church Centre is projected to start soon and we have sent funds to purchase materials and some that have been donated are already gathered at the site. Evangelist Bryan has been informed that probably by 25th of November the volunteers and church leaders will kickstart the physical construction. The church members have recently put up a temporary pit latrine as it is part of the governments requirements. We praise God for 23 WAY Churches and the 285 people who came to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ during the month of October.

## **Testimony from WAY Church members whose lives have been transformed**

### **Mugisha Ronnie, Male, 63 years old, WAY Community Church #1 – Member & former inmate**

My name is Mugisha, I am 63 years old. I was 19 years old the first time I was arrested. I did 36 months and was released. Six months later I was arrested again for armed robbery, and was sentenced to 8-10 years and was released again, still thinking I had all the answers. Six months later I was arrested for my third armed robbery and was given an 8–30-year sentence. I ended up doing 19 years on it before I was released. I stayed out for 22 months. I still thought I had everything under control. I ended up being arrested again for armed robbery. I received my sentence for the armed robbery which was 9-36 years. I was sent to prison again.

While I was in my prison cell recently, I saw a few of the guys going out to the hall and having Bible study in what was known as cell church. I was listening to them from my cell and I started getting interested. When I asked a friend, he told me about the Saturday event that was coming and I asked to attend from my warder in the men's wing That night, he accepted. I later that night picked a friend's Bible that he had got from the Freedom Team group, I picked the Bible up and started to read it, and like a peace just fell over me. I then started to read the Bible every day until the Saturday that I attended the Freedom Team event and gave my life to Christ and the following week I was called on for premature release and counselling course for 2 weeks preparing me to learn to live in the community, little did I know that I was going to be released from prison, I was released approximately after 3 weeks of my salvation and I have since then been part of the WAY Community Church in my village.

### **Sister Dinnah Kahangyire, Female, 34 years old, WAY Church Member**

When I came here after a friend invited me, I was completely broken, I was beaten down by alcoholism, I had lost my tailoring job and my husband had left me. I was about as desperate and lonely as one could be and was thinking that perhaps ending my miserable life would be the best way to put an end to all the pain. I felt I had not a friend in the world or any hope to speak of. I found this ministry the first time in my neighbor's house when Evangelist Bryan came from town to visit us, when it had just come to our village, and when he said to me that it was no accident for me to be here, I believed it! Suddenly a small spark of hope ignited in my heart, when I accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior of my life that day. I went home and the following day I opened my old Bible that belonged to my late father for the first time and the more I read and followed the principles, it really started to draw me in. I became increasingly hungry for the Word and committed myself to the restoration process. And as predicted, people were trying to lure me back. I had to closet myself with God for a good part of each day just to get by. One day at a time I am still in the house of God and growing better and stronger. I have totally defeated alcohol.

### **Mugyenyi Posiano, Male, 37 years old, WAY Church Member.**

For the first time in my life, I want to tell the truth about my drinking. Even though it is very, very humiliating and embarrassing, it is also very freeing to be able to talk about who I really was and what Jesus did for me. I started drinking when I was 13 years old, why you may ask? I have not the slightest idea why I started drinking. I could say it was because some of my family did or I was around it quite often watching my family drink. Something inside of me kept saying, "Try it, it won't hurt, just one little drink." So, I did what that voice was telling me to do, and that is when I became hooked on alcohol. I became a public nuisance, my family didn't want to be around me, because when I came to visit or they came by to see me, I was either drunk or drinking. Yes, I held down a job and would provide for my family, but I would have enough money for a drink. And yes, there were times when I spent all my wages on alcohol instead of paying bills, letting my wife and sons suffer from lack of things they needed, I had lost hope and everyone had lost hope in me until when I was added to the WAY House Church in my neighborhood and heard living testimonies from people who had been alcoholics and drug addicts, talking about the transforming power of Jesus Christ, I took their message and accepted Christ and I have since experienced that transforming power of Jesus that they talked about then, I am alcohol free now and my family is happy, attending the WAY Community Church #1 in Rwenjeru.

### **Sister Marriam Kenyangyi, Female, 36 years old, WAY Church Member**

Three months ago, I was drinking all sorts of dry gins locally called "waragi" Alcohol had become my refuge in my periods of distress. In my village drinking is the order of the day from young girls to old women, mothers etc. I shamelessly started drinking early in the morning until evening, I would move at night without fear shouting and making noise in the whole neighborhood, everyone knows my name and voice at night when I was drunk. I had lost my family because of the shame that I carried by drinking all the time, I had also contracted HIV Aids, because of the reckless life that I lived, I had lost hope and I had started having suicidal thoughts whenever I could get high, but when I visited the Way House Church at the invitation of a friend and gave my life to Christ, I have found new hope, all the money that I used to drink I have used it to buy my self a copy of the Holy Bible, I am now a child of God, please pray for me to get healed from HIV AIDS. Now, when I am in pain, I run to Him, instead of having a drink. ***The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him.*** Nahum 1:7.

## **Unedited Testimony from Prisoners or former Prisoners in East Africa Prisons**

### **Adonai, Male 47 years old, Nyabuhikye Prison**

I have been taking drugs since high school days, was also selling drugs, been here for 17 years, been having bad dreams every night for all the 17 years, dreaming of strange animals chasing me, falling in water, drowning, dreaming that I was dead sometimes and being buried, felt useless and been waiting for the day I rest from this world, That's where Jesus found me last week at the prison hall during the Freedom Team visit, I received Christ, I was delivered from bad dreams since then, I have felt peace like never before, I heard that they are going to baptize us soon, am waiting for my baptism. Thank you for my Bible please, I know I will get out of here and re-unite with my family.

### **Morgan, Male, 50 years old, Kakiika Prison**

Greetings Pastors, I am Morgan. Thank you for my small Bible, I read it daily, and the booklet, I feel hopeful and peaceful, from my youthful days, most of my life was spent on the street and marked by drugs, alcohol, street crime and violence. I was arrested and imprisoned uncountable times. My lifestyle eventually led me to jail. Through the love for money, drugs and women, I thought I would find peace, and security, but the emptiness in me was unexplainable, until the day I was invited into this prison hall last Saturday and watched the Prisoners of Pain video, saw people that lived a life like mine, and I responded to the call of salvation, and as I repeated after the words of the man in the video, I felt like cold refreshing air was being poured on me, and the next day I was in the same hall for church and felt the real peace that I had been longing for. I look forward for the time I will be in the next service this week.

### **David, Male, 45 years old, Nyabuhikye Prison**

I had lived a life of drinking, drugs, and street crime which led me here at the age of 21, been here almost all my useful years, I write this with tears yet I write with joy at the same time, though I am still in jail but inside me, I know I have been forgiven and set free from the spiritual prison, am no longer bound, the true freedom I know I have it, while I was sitting in a jail cell recently, heard the warden call us for prayers at the hall, after watching the video at the hall, I surrendered my life to Christ, Thank you for my Bible gift and the small books and am looking forward to being in the weekend service with you again, please keep coming to us.

### **Robert Kazoora, Male, 53 years, Kakiika Prison**

I grew up in a disorganized family. My father was an alcoholic, physically abusive to my mother when he drank, and mentally abusive to all of us his children. I felt hated and I was filled with hate. In my younger school years, kids often picked on me, and that left a trauma in me. Then at 13 years old, I smoked marijuana for the first time, after joining a group of friends that made me feel accepted in society, because by doing that regularly, I felt accepted by them. In high school, I got into boxing, so I would never get picked on again. At 19 years old, I joined the Army. Drinking and fighting then became my life, until I was arrested and jailed for involuntary man slaughter. I have been here for the last 20 years. Recently I met a Savior Jesus at the Prisoners of Pain...God's Grace event, and my whole life has changed, I have not changed location but my entire life has been transformed, my thinking renewed. I no longer blame anyone for my bad choices, I have forgiven my dad, and I pray for him daily at my cell church, I felt my love for him growing again. Thank you for the gift of my Bible. I pray daily in my cell church in the hall.

### **Donozio Sankara, Male, 48 years old, Nyabuhikye Prison.**

My name is Donozio, nick named "Don the Biker", I was a sports man and leader of motorcycle clubs, and, I was one of the most violent, drug, and alcohol abusers. And I thought it was the perfect place where I fit in. And in the biker world, the meanest, nastiest person in group is the leader of all, so I worked so hard to become such a person. As a result, I abused my wife, got into bloody fights, and got involved in drug dealing, stabbings, and all that. Without delay, as a drug addict, I rose the ladder and became the Leader of the club. And I spent the next 10 years as the leader of two different motorcycle clubs. During this time, I committed many crimes which finally led to my arrest and I was jailed for 18 years, I have served 15 years and I have 3 more to finish my sentence. But the last three months of my life have been the most peaceful since the day I attended the Prisoners of pain Gods grace event at the hall, I received Christ as my lord and saviour, I did not understand at first, but I believed and confessed those words at the end of the video, and the power in those words has since given me peace. And even though am here in prison, but I feel the freedom and peace in me. Thank you for the bible and the freedom tract, I can't wait to take what I received from here to my family and the rest of the world.

### **Mutebile Richard, Male, 44 years old, Kakiika Prison.**

For many years, I had built my life around alcohol, drugs, and violence. It became who I was and got even worse. Until one day, one Christmas morning, when I was drunk and high on drugs and I tried to beat up my mother, and my mother had had enough of me, she called the police and made me leave her house. I became homeless in my home town; I went robbing people to get high and my lifestyle brought me to prison here, been here for 7 years now, no one of my family has ever come to visit me for seven years, I have been full of bitterness in my heart, my dad passed away when we were still young and my mum still lives but she was hurt by my lifestyle.

A month ago, when I received Jesus Christ through the Prisoners of Pain...God's Grace event, life changed. I was able to forgive and I made a call and spoke to my ageing mother again after 7 years of silence, she was so happy knowing that I am a Christian now, she has since visited me twice here, I feel loved and more peaceful, I spend my time reading the Bible, and the booklet you gave me has taught me that there is a solution in Christ for everything. Thank you so much for the gift of the Bible, I am in cell church, keep me in prayer.