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Another year has come and almost gone and what a year of favour it has been for Disciples of Mercy. This year we saw break through in areas we have stood for a long time as you will read in this update.

Doors of utterance have opened for ministry like never before and thank God for a team of in-season ministers to go with it.

Through school, hospital and prison ministry, as well as church outreaches, we have seen over 5,000 people give their lives to the Lord this year and many others set free from bondages either through prayer or just having been cared for and loved on.

Your financial support throughout the year has reaped a great harvest and surely it is plentiful. I believe 2013 was an aligning year for what lays ahead in 2014 and we look forward to changing lives and impacting communities for Christ.

This Christmas, we give God all the thanks and all the glory for what He continues to do through us and for you, our partners, who have continued to stand in the gap and put your hand to the plough...together we can declare:

“Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God.

MAKING DISCIPLES.....

I love to see transformation in people’s lives as the entrance of God’s Word brings light. Last month it was my honour to conduct a marriage ceremony for our assistant pastor,

brother Protus, who has been working with us since his release from prison in 2007. He was a graduate of AFCM International Training Centre held in a maximum prison and he solomized his wedding with his wife Jane. Two weeks later he was ordained and together with their family they have gone to the field to serve in another mission station for a 3 month initial period. I get excited to see the hunger for Christ and the passion for souls in the saints, and the willingness to forsake everything known as comfort for the Gospel. It is a true testimony of what the Lord can do in the heart of man.



ROUND TABLE ANNUAL VISIT



We are so blessed to be in partnership with Round Table, a service club that has supported our school development plan for more than 8 years now. Christmas came early this year for the school. We had a team of 20 German's join us for the handing over of our newly completed Dining room, Computer lab (equipped with 20 computers) and library at our Dago school.

Not to forget the annual highlight of taking the special needs children shopping...all 92 of them!! It is a sight to behold when our buses take over the main street of town and wheel chairs are off loaded. Every effort is made to ensure that the basic needs of each individual child are taken into consideration.



The children received clothing, shoes, school supplies and personal items and it was moving to hear many of the personal testimonies of parents of the children RT has helped through school sponsorship....children who otherwise would be a forgotten race.

This year we also received additional apparatus for our Vocational centre to enhance learning and also production as we aim towards self sustainability. Hand tools, sewing machines and power tools amongst others for different departments.

The school was given a state of the art photography studio equipped with camera's, lights and other devices and plenty of clothing for children and staff!

We were pleasantly surprised to hear that through a grant from a German foundation, RT will give us the needed financial support to help build boarding facilities for our secondary school in the coming year. Plans are being drawn up now and this will kick off some time soon in the New Year.

Our computer networking was completed and wi-fi installation done and now every department of DOM is more efficient being online!



We are looking for a volunteer to join us for a period of up to 3 months to help update our website, pamphlets, videos and other IT issues. Accommodation will be provided for the time here and a married couple are welcome. If this is your field and you would like to serve in this capacity please contact us..we look forward to hearing from you!

AFCM International Bible Training Centre Graduations

One of the highlights of the year as far as ministry is concerned are the graduations of inmates from AFCMITC in the prisons which we run together with the International School of Ministry (ISOM) for Swahili speaking students, and this year was no different. 351 inmates graduated. (Almost 400 others were enrolled but were released before they could graduate).



We want to give a special appreciation to Dr. Jim and Kathleen Kaseman, the founders of AFCM International, for sowing the seed of the Video Bible School into Disciples of Mercy many years ago and for the many members who have continued to support AFCM Africa to make this prison outreach such a success. This is your harvest!!



It was a joy to see family members be granted the opportunity to join in the celebrations and for Rev. Jim Newton from Australia to be with us again during the graduations.



Through much criss-crossing the country, 9 graduations were conducted in both men and women's prisons as well as DOM Family Church. The Bible school programme, as aired on National news, has become a recognized strategic tool for reform, behavior change and rehabilitation. Currently we have more prisons requesting for the programme than we can meet demand for.



If you or your church would like to support this outreach please sow a seed and mark "for prisons".

There may not be bon-bons and pavlova on our table this Christmas, nor a santa coming down any chimney nearby, but what there is plenty of love to go around. On Friday we participated in a thanksgiving celebration at the Women's prison here in Kisumu. Yesterday we had our Youth rally with almost 200 youth in attendance and it was Christmas cheer all round as they celebrated life together through song and dance.

Today we are holding our Orphans Christmas party to eat and share gifts together with those who may not have anything much on Christmas day (thank you to those who gave extra for this occasion). Monday we will visit the Juvenile remand to share God's love with those in confinement and on Tuesday visit those in hospital and let them know they are thought of in a special way.

On Christmas day it will be a special service—a reminder of the king that was born...followed by a family gathering at the main mission house with children and grand children..an inheritance from the Lord.

We pray God's blessing over you this Christmas and that 2014 will bring every hearts fulfillment.

Love from Jennie and all at DOM



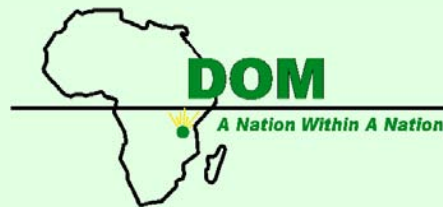
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