

HARVEST

SPRING 2020

“You have added value to my life and taken care of me”

Lives like Josephine's and Juliana's are transformed as you show God's love in Ghana

More than 170,000 people heard the Gospel through the Akuapem, Ghana Mission in October 2018 – one of the most effective missions ever! And here's how the impact from this mission and ongoing aid, sponsored by family friends like you, are still being felt in Ghana today ...

You helped fulfil a mother's dream

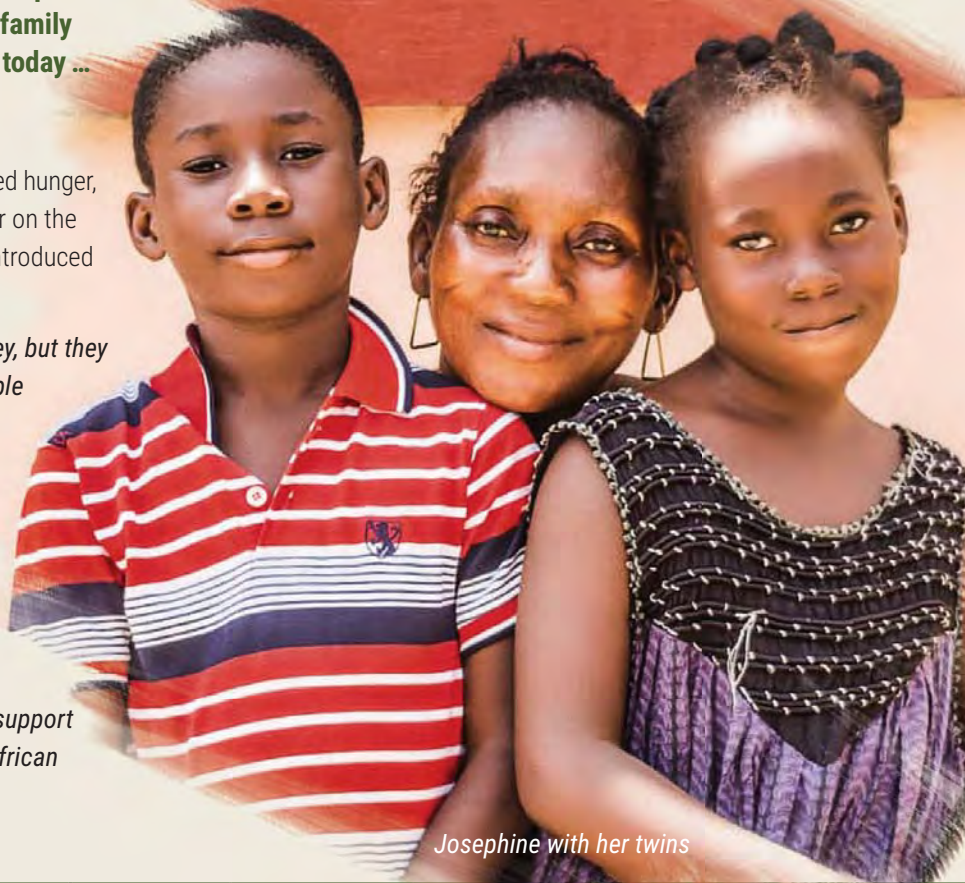
Josephine is a mother of five children who's endured hunger, hardship and displacement. She was selling water on the street to earn an income when an AE co-worker introduced her to the Women in Need project.

“I thought African Enterprise would demand money, but they did not,” says Josephine. “They were helping people who are needy and want to improve their lives. It was a divine intervention ... I said to myself, ‘God knows I have suffered a lot.’”

Josephine completed a baking and pastries course, enabling her to fulfil her long-held dream of becoming a caterer. She now has regular customers and is able to provide for her family:

“Today I am able to buy books for my children. I support them going to school. I am so happy that I met African Enterprise. May the Lord bless all your donors.”

Akuapem Mission Impact continues page 2 ▶



Josephine with her twins

In this issue

- 2 Home-Based Evangelism makes an “undeniable impact”
- 3 African Enterprise Team Leaders
- 4 Foxfires “still setting the youth ablaze for Christ” with your help
- 5 A hunger for the Word
- 5 Eutichus says “thank you” for training him in God's Word
- 6 A message for you from Stephen

You're providing food to the elderly

With your help, AE teams recently delivered food parcels to 5,000 aged men and women in churches across 17 towns, showing God's love to the most vulnerable. Rev. Kwafo, a local church leader, said:

"I wish to convey our heartfelt gratitude for the timely intervention through the special packages rolled out for the elderly in our congregations."

"Indeed, by this unprecedented benevolent act, the presence of the Church has been felt so much even in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic and its attendant challenges."



You're helping to provide food and resources for those in need during this pandemic.

You're keeping schoolchildren safe

Your support helped bless the Dzorwulo Special School in Accra on Global Volunteer Day, 9 May. Together with you, AE Ghana beautified the school and donated food, sachets of water, and sanitisers.

You also helped install a hand-washing device to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. "This will be put to good use," said the headmaster, who conveyed his thanks to AE friends like you.

You're leading young people on a new path

Juliana is one of the young people you have helped through the Street Children project in Ghana. She completed a hairdressing apprenticeship and says:

"I wanted to be trained in a vocation; however, there was no help because I lost my father at a tender age. By the grace of God, you made my dream come true."

"You helped pay all the bills for my three-year apprenticeship. I even received a [hair] dryer! I can now open my own hairdressing salon. Thank you for the benevolence shown toward me. You have added value to my life and taken care of me."

Thank you for...
investing in the lives of Africans in Ghana through your gifts and prayers. Together, we're not only sharing the Good News of the Gospel – we're also providing practical support that transforms many lives!

Home-Based Evangelism makes an "undeniable impact"

Thanks to your support, AE Malawi was able to train churches in Home-Based Evangelism in Zomba in June, with great results!

"The training totally changed my approach towards church ministry," says Pastor Joshua Chipeta. "We trained our church members on how to win souls using the Home-Based Evangelism approach. To our astonishment, the program picked up very quickly. Average attendance per house is ten people, with some reaching fifteen people."

"The church leadership has resolved to continue using the approach even beyond COVID-19 since we have seen the undeniable impact it has on both spiritual and numerical growth of the church."



Churches are reaching people in their homes thanks to your support of Home-Based Evangelism.

Home-Based Evangelism is proving to be an answer to how the Gospel can continue to be preached despite the pandemic – and it will be used during the upcoming "Zomba for Jesus" mission campaign in Malawi.

Please pray
... that many souls will come to Christ through this new program!

Please pray for your Team Leaders in 2020



John Kalenzi
Kigali, Rwanda



Edward Mubiru
Kampala, Uganda



Melisachew Mesfin
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



Ben Sachie
Accra, Ghana



Benson Omondi
Nairobi, Kenya



Festo Kivengere (1919-1988) and Michael Cassidy, Founder



Leonard Kiswangi
Kinshasa, DRC



Emmanuel Kopwe
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

African Enterprise International Office

Nairobi, Kenya



Stephen Mbogo
International Team Leader



Emmanuel Kwizera
International Missions Director



Janet Mwendwa
Community Transformation Director



Cornelius Huwa
Lilongwe, Malawi



Lutangu Lubasi
Lusaka, Zambia



Simon Mundu
International Operations Manager



Lucas Owako
International Missions Administrator



Patrick Tome
Accountant



Theuns Pauw
Pietermaritzburg, South Africa



Guide Makore
Harare, Zimbabwe



DRC

ETHIOPIA

GHANA

KENYA

MALAWI

RWANDA

SOUTH AFRICA

TANZANIA

UGANDA

ZAMBIA

ZIMBABWE

Your support and prayers are encouraging
Foxfires like Kennedy in this season.

Foxfires

still “setting the youth ablaze for Christ” with your help



Encouraged by your support, the Foxfires interns in Kenya have continued their training online, and engaged in new ministry opportunities throughout the pandemic – with powerful results.

The Foxfires are now producing short videos and sharing them on social media and hosting Zoom forums for teenagers. They're also serving their communities in practical ways to show Jesus' love in Word and Deed.

For instance, **Shalom** mobilised his church to donate food parcels, and they fed more than 200 struggling families in the area. He shares:

“As much as this pandemic has brought sadness and struggle, I am glad to bring a smile to a child’s face. The Foxfires Youth Empowerment Program helped me see the needs and want to make a difference.

“The online ministry skills I gained from the Foxfires and the continuing online ministry that we’re involved in has also enabled me to reach many young people in Eldoret – with more than 1,020 reached and 57 salvations.”

Dennis volunteers in the government national hygiene program in his town, cleaning streets and public facilities to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. He says:

“It has been an opportunity to share the Gospel as we work. I have motivated more than 25 young people to put their hope

in Christ. We are still setting the youth ablaze for Christ even at home. COVID-19 has not quenched the fire for Christ!”

Kennedy says the Foxfires program has been of great benefit to him personally throughout this challenging time ...

“I am glad to have joined the Foxfires program this year. Though it was disrupted by the pandemic, I secured a number of skills that have greatly helped me during this period at home – like stewardship of resources and communication skills. This has improved my relationships with my parents, friends and neighbours.

“I am confident I will pull through with this rich knowledge. I have continued to positively influence my friends and share the love of Christ with them. I have also developed a stronger relationship with God.

“I thank God for He has proven to be our sustainer in these trying times!

“My prayer is that God will continue to bless you and the entire AE family, and that you will continue to transform many lives – young and old – just as you have transformed me and equipped me to impact others.”

A HUNGER FOR THE WORD

by Pastor Dan Bidwell

"Blessed are those who HUNGER AND THIRST for righteousness, for they will be filled" (Matthew 5:6).

What struck me the first time I visited Kigali to teach the Pastor Training Course (PTC) in 2015 was the hunger of the students for God.

In a country where many crave physical nourishment, I saw a deeper hunger – a voracious appetite for learning about God's Word, and delight at the feast of ideas laid out in the training material provided by Moore Theological College.

Our students come from diverse backgrounds: pastors, evangelists, church planters, university campus workers and aid workers. Some with tertiary educations and others with much less formal education. Some with excellent English, but most working in an English-speaking ministry setting for the first time.

Regardless of circumstances, these students each relish the opportunity to be further equipped to handle the Bible correctly.

Given the non-denominational setting of our classes in the African Enterprise Rwanda headquarters, we enjoy a rich diversity of churchmanship and theological perspective. Our free-flowing conversation, discussion and theological reflection is marked by a godly humility from men and women who understand the weight of their calling.



You're helping feed a hungry appetite for God's Word through your support.

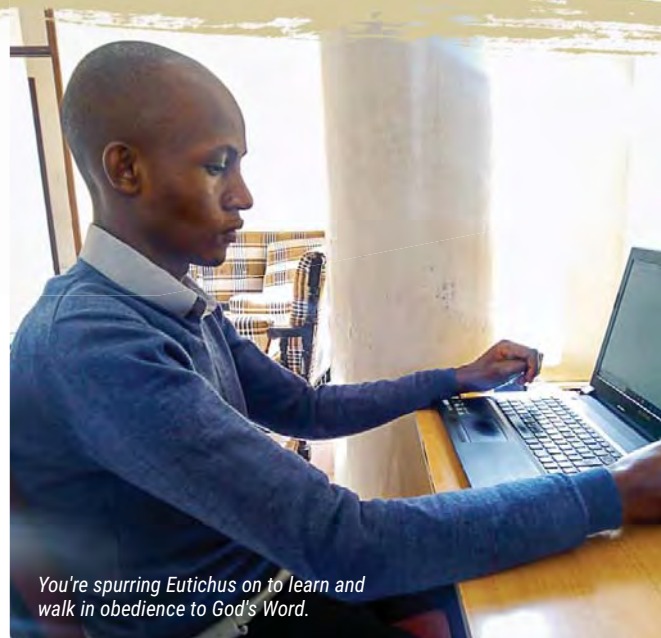
Whenever we spend time outside of our normal setting, our eyes are opened to new perspectives and experiences. I feel deeply blessed by my time in Rwanda, and my learning and fellowship with so many Gospel-hearted brothers and sisters.

God has taught me about the spiritual richness of His people in other parts of the world, the way other Christians enjoy the blessings our Father bestows, and their fervour to follow Jesus. I often observe a hunger for God that is missing in my own country where bellies are always full.

Perhaps we all need reminding to hunger and thirst for what is most important in this life.

Eutichus says

"Thank you" for training him in God's Word



You're spurring Eutichus on to learn and walk in obedience to God's Word.

Eutichus is one of the students being equipped through the Pastor Training Course in Kenya. He shares how your support for his training is helping him grow spiritually to ...

"What motivated me to enrol in this course is that I'm a Christian who seeks to walk in obedience to the Word of God.

"I have gained understanding in interpreting the Bible contextually, literally and applying it in real-life situations. The course has enabled me to understand the grand plan of God for humanity since creation. [Now I know] the salvation story – that God has worked to see man saved from his sins – [is seen] even in the Old Testament!

"I believe that, as I continue with the course, I will learn much more. Thank you for this opportunity. It is making a major impact on my life."

A message for you **FROM STEPHEN**



Greetings, dear friend!

I hope you're well and safe in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

As you know, the pandemic has infected more than a million people in Africa. Many more are grappling with massive job losses and major food insecurity in the urban communities we're serving together.

But thanks to faithful family friends like you, the Gospel is still going out through Home-Based Evangelism across the continent.

Home-Based Evangelism was developed by AE to train believers to witness to and disciple the people living in their homes, and their neighbours. It's a personal evangelism approach on a massive scale through homes using technology (phones, Zoom, Facebook etc.).

With your help, 2,590 church leaders and volunteers have been trained to use this model since April. As a result, 3,992 people have been reached with the Gospel and 401 have been saved!

Your support has also helped launch AE's Social Action COVID-19 response initiatives. Together, we've provided food, face masks and handwashing equipment to people in greatest need – including those in South Africa, which has the highest number of infections and fatalities so far.

Through this Social Action work, you helped provide more than 260,000 meals and thousands of Gospel tracts to bring hope in this pandemic. You also helped activate the Ngezandla Zethu Sewing Project to produce face masks.

By funding this aid work to actively engage with the pain of our cities, you've been creating invaluable opportunities to share the Gospel.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support in this challenging time!

Stephen Mbogo

African Enterprise International Team Leader/CEO

Home-Based Evangelism Mission

Dates for your prayer diary

2020 DATES

October 2020	Kinshasa West Lukunga, DRC
17-24 October	Meru North Mission, Kenya
23-27 December	Akaki Kaliti, Ethiopia

2021 DATES

19-28 April	Lome, Togo
15-23 May	Durban, South Africa



Contact us



AUSTRALIA

Chief Executive Officer of African Enterprise Australasia: Ben Campbell
Phone: (02) 9889 1799 **Email:** ae@aeint.org **Facebook:** /aeaustralia
PO Box 1584, Macquarie Centre NSW 2113
Incorporated in Australia ABN 88 001 56 417
africanenterprise.com.au

NEW ZEALAND

Phone: (09) 579 1287
Email: ae@aeint.org
PO Box 912023,
Auckland Mail Centre, Auckland 1142
AK 847 444
www.africanenterprise.org.nz