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## Your 2017 IMPACT Report



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Dear Friend,

I would like to echo the words of Paul the Apostle to the Romans in saying, "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ"

Just as Paul was thankful for the faith and support of the Roman church, so I am thankful for the faith and support YOU gave last year. **Your prayers, gifts, words of encouragement, and faithfulness to the Gospel have meant that 1,138,856 of Africa's people heard the Good News of Christ!**

From Rwanda to Kenya to Ghana to Ethiopia, we traversed the continent with the Gospel. Together, we accomplished much for Christ's kingdom. But in no place was our impact better seen than in Kampala, Uganda ... the biggest mission of the year.

The Kampala Mission was a collaboration of immense scale. Hundreds of volunteer evangelists engaged in Gospel work that week. African Enterprise leaders from all 10 of our African countries – and from support offices in Europe and America – flew to Kampala and toiled non-stop for Christ.

They cleaned out gutters, talked to people on the street, marched through the towns behind a brass band proclaiming the name of Jesus, and preached the Gospel in government offices, and in prisons and schools. There was nowhere our evangelists wouldn't go. And God increased the harvest day after day.

This mission epitomised the stratified evangelism model of African Enterprise and demonstrated how powerful the body of Christ is when it works together for God's kingdom. Because of that unity among believers, 18,908 people were saved in Kampala!

During the Lusaka Mission (Zambia), an old partnership with the churches was renewed. A Leadership Initiative targeted the city's leaders including lawyers, politicians, youth, women and church leaders.

Michael Cassidy, African Enterprise's founder, held missions in Lusaka and Ndola 30 years ago, and many believers still remember those missions fondly. During the 2017 mission, hundreds of civil servants, cabinet members, business leaders and others were challenged to put God at the centre of everything.

These were just two of the missions in 2017 ... but all year we followed the Great Commission together through outreach, mission, social action, preaching, campaigning and counselling. Thank you for your vital role in that work that impacted so many lives!

Yours in Christ,

**Stephen Mbogo**  
African Enterprise International Team Leader/CEO



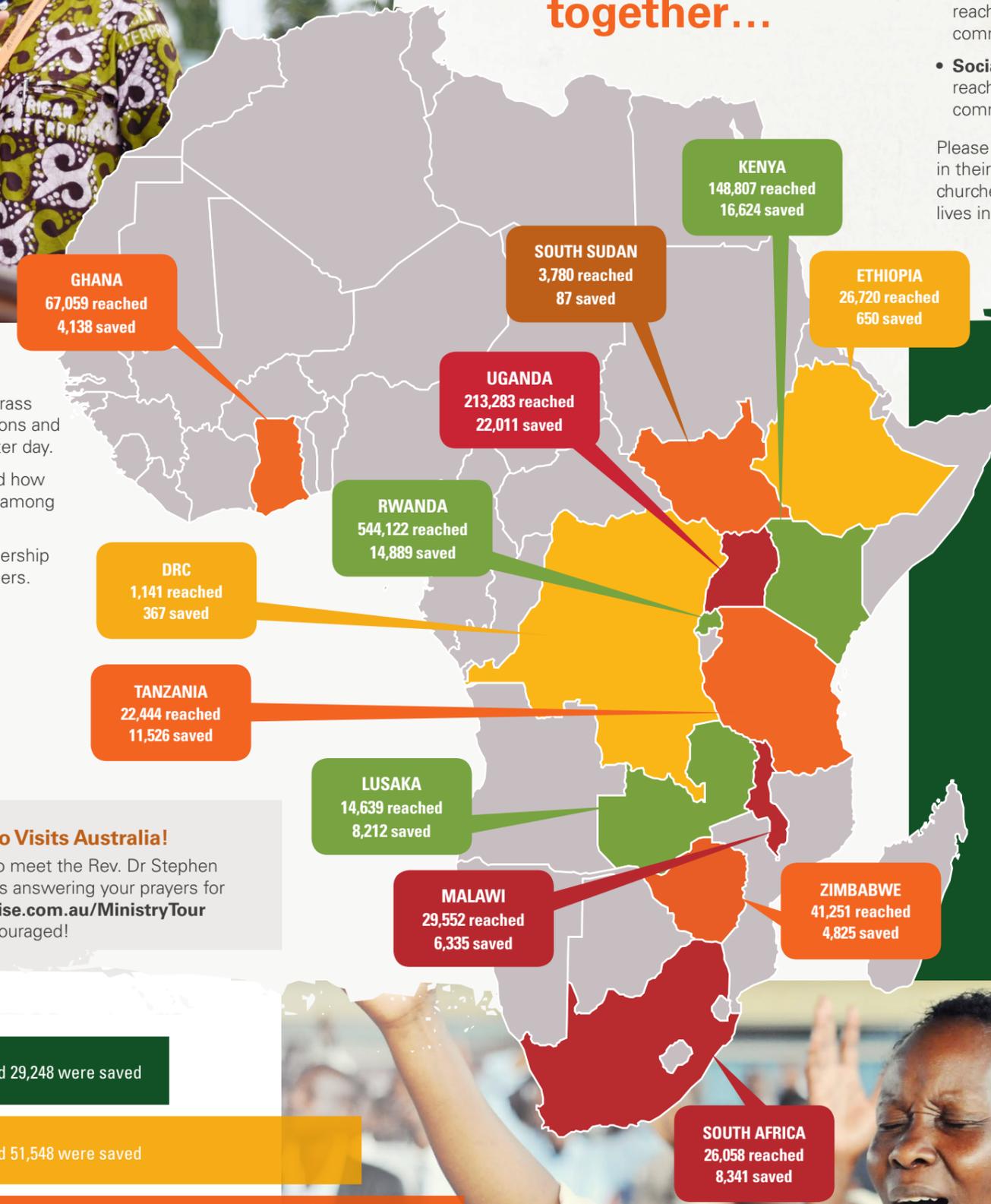
Stephen Mbogo, African Enterprise International Team Leader/CEO thanks you for your support to see lives forever changed.

## Transforming lives in Africa together...

Over 1.1 million Africans were reached with the Gospel in 2017 thanks to friends like you. Here's how your support impacted lives ...

- **Mission Outreach:** 595,737 people were reached with the Gospel and 83,181 people committed their lives to Christ.
- **Social Action Projects:** 543,119 people were reached with the Gospel and 14,824 people committed their lives to Christ.

Please pray the new converts will grow strong in their faith in Christ and stay involved in local churches. May the Lord continue transforming lives in these cities!



## NORTH AFRICA AT A GLANCE

Islam is the largest religion in Africa, representing 47% of the continent.

The majority of North African countries are heavily Islamic.

North Africa sits firmly within the 10/40 window, which is defined by the areas of the world that have the highest levels of socioeconomic challenges and the least access to the Gospel and Christian resources.

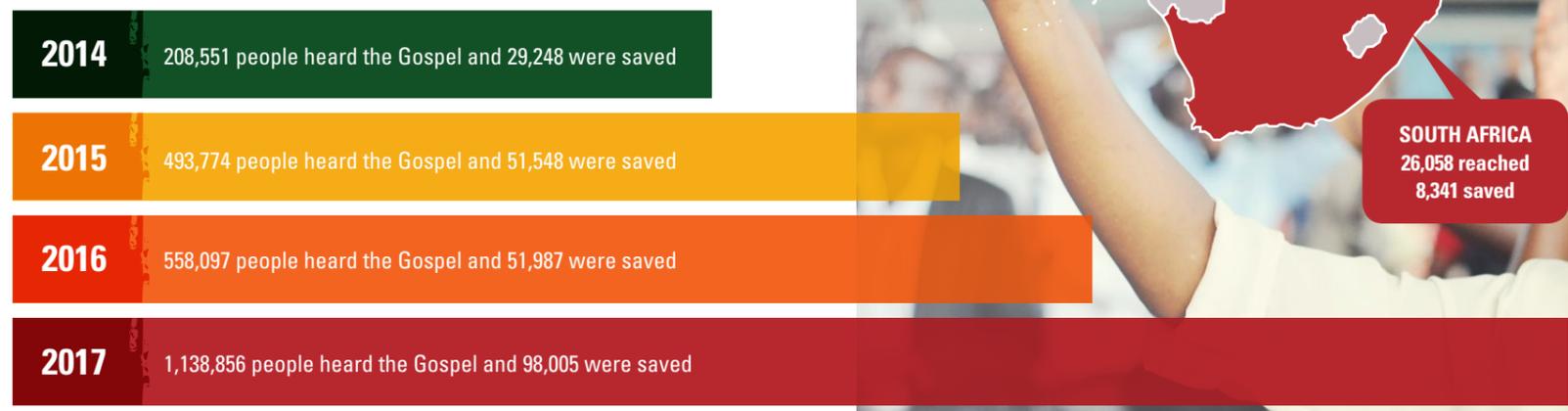
Eleven countries in North Africa and the Horn of Africa have incorporated Sharia (Islamic law) into their courts.

### The Rev. Dr Stephen Mbogo Visits Australia!

You and your friends are invited to meet the Rev. Dr Stephen Mbogo who will share how God is answering your prayers for Africa. Visit [www.africanenterprise.com.au/MinistryTour](http://www.africanenterprise.com.au/MinistryTour) to find out where you can be encouraged!

## You help reach more Africans year after year!

We are praising God for you, our partner in the Gospel. Because of your faithful support and prayers, more lives are transformed in Africa every year. Thank you!



# MISSIONS UPDATE

## Kicukiro Mission, Rwanda

4 – 11 June 2017

A plan was developed by African Enterprise Rwanda to reach the vast city of Kigali within three years. The plan is to target the city's main districts – Gasabo, Kicukiro and Nyarugene – during separate missions. Kicukiro was the focus in 2017.

After more than a year of preparation, the mission reached over 62,987 with the Gospel and led 10,109 people into God's kingdom. There was a special focus on children, so teams visited many schools and held events for children in parks.



Through your support, school children were presented with the Gospel in Rwanda, with many responding to the salvation message.

## Malindi Mission, Kenya

29 June – 9 July 2017

More than 83 local churches, as well as 103 churches from across Kenya and around the world, participated in the mission. In total, 903 volunteer evangelists hit the streets to share the Gospel.

At least 93,757 people were reached with the Gospel and 10,126 of those made confessions of faith in Christ. The passion for sharing the Gospel will remain a part of this community for years to come, and we trust that many more will come to faith.



## Kampala Citywide Mission, Uganda

1 – 17 September 2017

Uganda has experienced political unrest in recent years that has directly affected Kampala, the nation's capital. Politicians have been plagued with controversy and corruption.

During the Kampala Citywide Mission, teams reached out to the political and social leaders of Uganda and challenged them to lead with godly values. Local churches were mobilised to bring the Gospel to their neighbours. Kampala's Central and Nakawa divisions were saturated with the Gospel – from the slums to office blocks.

## Lusaka Mission, Zambia

4 – 12 November 2017

The first democratically elected Zambian President, Frederick Chiluba, dedicated Zambia to Christ in 1991. Sadly, 26 years on, corruption is at an all-time high. In 2014, an estimated 78% of business transactions involved a bribe payment.

Over the course of a week, government officials, business executives, media personalities, medical personnel, and other leaders heard the Gospel. They were challenged to return to the nation's Christian roots and stand as beacons of integrity in a nation darkened by corruption.



Thanks to your support a city cleaning exercise was held in the slum areas of Kamwokya to demonstrate the love of Christ. Five people made a commitment to follow Jesus that day.

## Pray for new leaders to serve in North Africa

Pastor Jean has ministered in Tunisia for over 17 years and African Enterprise is proud to partner with his church. Together, we're challenging Sub-Saharan church leaders to engage in sharing the Gospel in North Africa.

Jean and his family are among very few missionaries in a city of one million people. Therefore, AE's partnership with him and our Reverse Mission project are vitally important.

"We must train evangelists," said Jean. "Very few Christians are trained, yet there's so much potential. I've witnessed people coming to know the Lord across Tunisia. I've even had the pleasure of baptising some of them."

With barriers to foreigners living in the country, there's a desperate need for local people to be trained to advance God's kingdom.

"The Sub-Saharan church has a unique opportunity to minister in North Africa," Jean said. "We simply need to mobilise them to do so." Please pray for this urgent need.



## TEFERA FINDS HOPE & PEACE THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT



The final mission for 2017 was in Dessie, Ethiopia. Teams shared God's love with 630 prison inmates, and repaired dilapidated shanty houses for elderly, disabled and poor people. In just four days, at least 11,000 people, including Tefera, heard the Gospel.

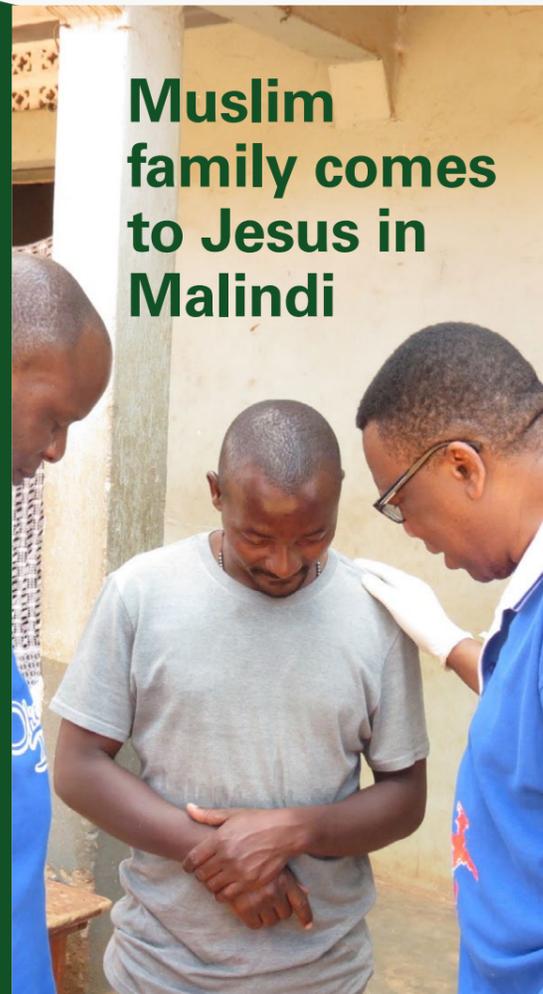
Tefera is confined to a wheelchair and lives in a shanty house. He said,

*"I have been incapacitated for 19 years. I have no relatives and I often go hungry. I haven't been able to make good use of my wheelchair because I can't afford to replace the tyres."*

*"I was hopeless and had no peace until you told me that Jesus loves me. I accepted Jesus into my heart and now I have peace like I've never known. Thank you!"*

Your support made the Dessie Mission possible, and the lives of many people like Tefera were transformed. Tefera will soon receive new tyres for his wheelchair and his house will be rebuilt. Thank you!

## Muslim family comes to Jesus in Malindi



Ali Mohammed was a mosque painter and deeply involved in the Muslim community in Malindi, Kenya. He was stopped by evangelists in the street during the mission in July.

"They talked about Jesus Christ ... For some reason, that day, I was interested," he said.

Ali couldn't stop thinking about that encounter. "I had no peace. I called my Christian uncle and he told me to speak to his friend who's a pastor in Malindi."

Ali visited the pastor and said, "I want to know Jesus." After praying to receive Christ, he said, "I felt like a load had been lifted from my shoulders. New joy and peace entered my heart and I knew I was born again."

He ran home and brought his wife, Mariam, back to the church. She had been raised as a Christian but had converted to Islam to get married. "I felt so empty and hopeless as a Muslim," she said. Mariam gave her life to Christ that day, too.

The couple faced opposition because of their conversion. The mosque repossessed their furniture and demanded they move out of their home. But the couple's new church helped find them a new home and a new job for Ali.

"I found the light and I can't return to the dark," Ali said. "I am ready to share the light with as many people as possible!"

Please pray that Ali and his family will grow strong in Christ. And thank you for helping to reach them – and many others – with the Gospel!

# AID & DEVELOPMENT

## UPDATE



### After years of struggle, there's hope on the slum's horizon

With your help, 94 women in Ghana, Kenya and Malawi were given the chance at a new life in 2017. Some of these women were prostitutes. Others had been abandoned by their husbands or had few opportunities to make a good life for themselves.

By providing vocational training and support, you helped these women become self-sufficient. Now they're looking to the future with hope and confidence!

Belinda and her two younger siblings were orphaned by the time she was seven years old. "I dropped out of school at 13 and started to do manual labour just to survive. Life was terribly difficult and many nights we were hungry."



*Thank you for empowering women with business skills so they can become self-sufficient and support their families.*

Today, Belinda lives in the Mathare slum in Kenya with her husband and three children. "My husband earns very little, which is often not enough for our children's education and family needs.

"Since enrolling in the skills training program, I've made good progress in many areas of my life. I also draw encouragement from the other women. Many of them were unemployed but now they're running their own businesses and taking good care of their children.

"After graduation I want to set up a small dressmaking shop and make quality clothes and products."

Please pray for Belinda and the 25 women in the Kenya Mathare Women Empowerment Project – and thank you for helping them create a better life.

### South Sudan ministry growing thanks to you

African Enterprise's work in South Sudan continues to grow and produce encouraging results among students and community leaders.

With your help, we reached out to a struggling orphanage in Juba last year and donated much-needed supplies. The orphanage houses children of all ages from newborns to young adults, many of whom have been severely affected by violence. We encouraged the staff to instil godly values of forgiveness and peacefulness among the children.

Please continue to pray for South Sudan and for the nation's leaders. Thank you for supporting ongoing programs in this troubled nation.



*Thanks to your support, young leaders in South Sudan are living a life of forgiveness and peacefulness.*



### Message from Ben Campbell

Dear Friend,

I want to thank you for your faithful support last year. I pray you'll be encouraged as you read this 2017 Impact Report!

As you know, there are many challenges in Africa – social problems, violence, advancing Islam, and more. But God is using you to bring His truth to broken lives, and to bring unity and strength to churches so they can transform their nations for Christ.

The Aid & Development Projects you supported have impacted many lives, as you'll read in Belinda's story (p. 6). And the missions you invested in have led many people to Jesus, like Tefera (p. 4) and Ali (p. 5).

This report provides a mere glimpse of what God has done. Together, we reached 1,138,856 Africans with the Gospel in just one year!

This was possible because of family like you who were so generous. Even recently,

- \$23,779 was given to train pastors in Africa,
- \$8,500 was given by Australian supporters for the Joshua and Caleb Mission to Togo, and for the preparation phase for Kenya and Rwanda Missions!

Let's thank the Lord for all He's done, and pray He'll continue to use us to transform more lives in Africa in the coming year – as well as entire cities. And if you'd like to support upcoming missions, your gift would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you, again, for your gifts and prayers. I'm truly grateful.

Together we CAN,

**Ben Campbell**  
AUS/NZ Executive Director

## UPCOMING MISSIONS TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

**KAMPALA 2, UGANDA 21 - 30 SEP 2018**

This mission is the second in a series of missions to evangelise Kampala. The city faces many challenges: crime, corruption, political tension, unemployment, growing numbers of street children, and impoverished single-parent families.

The aim of this mission is to share the Gospel with 200,000 people within Rubaga Division with the help of 350 local evangelists, and provide 2,000 people in slums with free medical, dental and optical services. We also aim to evangelise 300 top leaders in the political, business and security forces sectors.

**AKUAPEM STATE, GHANA 19 - 29 OCT 2018**

This is the first stage of a five-year 'Church-in-Community' Transformation Mission. Despite a high percentage of Christians, there is widespread moral decadence among youth, and high unemployment and crime. There's a decline of communal values, a threat of religious syncretism, and Islam is moving at an alarming rate.

The aim of this mission is to share the Gospel with 500,000 people, with special teams reaching youth. Churches will be trained to disciple new converts, and 25 school dropouts will receive vocational training.

**ADAMA, ETHIOPIA 26 - 30 DEC 2018**

Adama has growing social problems including prostitution, HIV/AIDS, homelessness, street children, violence, Chat houses (narcotic herb) and unemployment. Church leaders believe the city is ripe for divine intervention to revert its downward sliding course.

This mission will engage at least 40 evangelical churches in citywide Gospel proclamation. The aim is to reach 40,000 people with the Gospel – with 2,300 first-time commitments – which would bring a 10% growth to church membership.

*Pray many respond to the Gospel in upcoming missions.*





Help change  
the continent  
of Africa

# FOR EVER

African Enterprise has been proclaiming the Gospel in the major cities of Africa for over 50 years. We believe that ALL people – from street children to presidents – need to hear and be changed by the Gospel. Partner with African Enterprise to tell more than one million Africans about Jesus every year. Together, we can do it!



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