

Kicukiro District is one of three districts in the Rwandan city of Kigali. In July 2023, it was the site of an African Enterprise mission that saw over 850,000 people reached and 2000 people turn to Jesus.

In the depths of the city is an area nicknamed 'Sodoma' or 'Sodomu', from the biblical narrative of Sodom and Gomorrah. The area has been given this nickname as it is known for its many sex workers, bars and drug trade.

The AE mission team selected this site for one of their open-air events. The preacher, a faithful woman named Mama Fabrice, shared her own testimony of deliverance from drug addiction and prostitution. She spoke from Luke 5, about how Jesus's disciples left their livelihoods to follow Him, and urged the huge crowd of over 3000 people to leave behind their sinful professions and pastimes to follow the Lord.

People flocked to the AE missionaries for prayer after the sermon, as gospel choirs sang praises to God.

A woman named Mukadusenge Shakira came forward to share her story. She had been working as a prostitute to try and earn money for her family, but said after hearing the sermon, "I wish that my life could be changed. That's why I came here - that Jesus may deliver me and change my life to be free from all these bondages. I wish to be a Christian starting from today."



TRANSFORMED LIVES IN A MODERN-DAY SODOM

A young man named Karinda Viater (right in photo), who moved to Kigali to look for a job, also responded to the call to repentance. He shared with AE missionary Caleb (left in photo), "I found myself staying here in Sodomu where I quickly picked up habits of fornication and a very deceitful life. I have been living like this for a lot of years which burdens my heart and I couldn't do anything to change my life.

Today I heard the testimony of the mother who was preaching and I could relate a lot to her stories. She talked of how she used to stay on the streets, how she was a prostitute and how she used to use a lot of drugs and it's as if she was talking about my personal life.

The greatest part is how Jesus changed her life which also gave me hope that Jesus could do the same for me as well. I am very happy that I have

given my life to Christ and I trust him to help me in my life from now on."

Overall, 104 people put their faith in Jesus at this event, and were swiftly followed up by local churches for ongoing discipleship. Praise God for His powerful work through the preacher on this night to bring about repentance and transformation in the lives of so many!



Pray that Mukadusenge, Karinda and all the other new Christians would continue to follow God faithfully.

PRAY WITH US

You'll notice that there is no quarterly prayer diary included with your newsletter. As we aim to send more communications digitally, to save costs and reduce waste, you can now access these prayer points online.

We have included a selection of prayer points below, to help you pray for African Enterprise right now, and we urge you to visit the website to see more prayer points for the rest of the month and beyond.

- Pray that AE might be used by God to inspire Western churches in their commitment to the Great Commission.
- Pray for the members of AE mission teams, that they will see personal transformation and growth as they are trained and taught. Pray that God will use them mightily as they step out of their comfort zones.
- Pray for the upcoming (November) Terekeka Mission in South Sudan. Pray for support from partners and for God to raise up men and women to reach everybody in the town of Terekeka.
- Pray for safety and protection for mission team members, Foxfires, AE staff and their families as they serve God faithfully.
- Pray for true revival in the Church in Africa, characterised by a separation from sin, a fresh call to holiness and an abundance of joy.

Visit www.africanenterprise.com.au/pray for more prayer points.



African HARVEST

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A MESSAGE FROM SIMBA

You'll probably notice that African Harvest looks a little different this time around! We've refreshed the design, and we hope you like it.

I also wanted to let you know that for some of you, this may be your last time receiving African Harvest via post.

As we all continue to transition to increasingly digital ways of communicating, we thought it was time for African Enterprise to do the same. We are looking to move away from our heavy reliance on printed materials, and replace some of our communications with new digital alternatives. This will help us reduce our costs and our environmental footprint.

It will also make it easier for us to communicate with you more regularly!

So, if we have an email address for you in our records, instead of a quarterly printed African Harvest, you'll now receive a monthly email newsletter with the latest stories and prayer points to help you connect with the work happening in Africa.

We will still be sending some printed materials in the post, especially to those who do not have an email address or feel comfortable with digital communication. So don't worry if that's you or someone you know! We don't want anyone to miss out on hearing from us.

On the other hand, if you're ready to fully opt out of printed materials and receive communications via email instead, please give us a call on 02 9889 1799, email ae@ae.org.au or use the QR code on the back of this newsletter and let us know. Thank you for helping us reduce our costs in this way, so that more money can go straight to Africa!

In this edition of the newsletter, we have three exciting stories of God at work powerfully - from Rwanda, Kenya and South Africa. Plus you'll find a number of prayer points - I invite you to pray with us through these points.

Thank you for your support of African Enterprise. It's a privilege to partner with you in seeing Africa transformed by the love of God!

In Christ,
Simba Musvamhiri
CEO, African Enterprise Australasia



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LIVES ON THE LINE FOR THE GOSPEL IN SOUTH AFRICA

Being robbed at gunpoint while going out for evangelism is not something that happens every day. Yet that is exactly what happened to the group of young Foxfires from African Enterprise South Africa, as they went out for evangelism during the AE mission in Durban in July.

The Foxfire program is a disciple-making ministry that trains and disciples the evangelists of the next generation. The program is generally made up of young people who have just finished high school, or university-age students who have taken a gap year.

The team of 11 (pictured right, with Australasia CEO Simba in front) set out from the African Enterprise office to go and share the good news in the mission areas that were selected for that day, including markets and schools. But on their way there, they were ambushed by two gun-wielding robbers while at a stop.

The Foxfires together with the Foxfire manager Mr Sokhela exited the van and watched as the robbers drove off.

Though no one was physically hurt, many were left traumatised by the incident. The team quickly spread the word of the incident and burst into prayer for God to intervene.

And God did!

Upon reporting the incident to the police, the van was traced and recovered within an hour. The police were able to locate the van just before the robbers had started trying to break it apart into separate parts that would have then been sold all over the country and even across the borders into the neighbouring countries. The Foxfire van, which is a Toyota Quantum, is a popular design whose parts are on high demand on the black markets usually around and within cities.

The sound system which was on board the van together with four phones disappeared and were not recovered, however no one was hurt, so this loss is not very great.

Later on that very day, the Foxfires set out to do ministry as they had planned and God was glorified as people gave their lives to Christ.

After the incident, Mr Sokhela, the Foxfire manager for African Enterprise South Africa, urged every missionary to "cover yourself with prayer every time you are out, because that is where you get to experience the hand of God."

Please continue upholding the Foxfire teams in prayer for safety every time that they go out to do ministry.



STREET CLEANING LEADS TO WASHED CLEAN HEARTS

Many of the African Enterprise city-wide missions begin with a component called 'Serve the City', in which the mission teams undertake a project to clean or fix up a part of the city. This helps teams to demonstrate their commitment to the wellbeing of the people they will meet throughout the mission, but also provides teams with some immediate opportunities for evangelism.

During the recent Love Nairobi mission in Kenya, a team from International Christian Centre Imara of 73 people went out to the Imara neighbourhood and cleaned up a ditch of about one kilometre.

As the street cleaning took place, some of the locals stared from afar, while some people approached the missionaries and asked questions.

Kelvin's story

A young man named Kelvin approached one of the evangelists who was cleaning. He asked him who the team was and what made them to come to their neighbourhood and volunteer to clean it up.

The evangelist told Kelvin a lot about Jesus, and that He is the reason which led all of the team, local and visiting evangelists, to participate in the cleaning. As the conversation went on, Kelvin didn't take long: he willingly wanted to receive Christ as his Lord and Saviour!

Afterwards, Kelvin was interested to join the team in serving the city, but first he asked the evangelist if they could go to his friends and tell them about Christ. So, they marched to Kelvin's friends!



The evangelist shared another story about the mercy and the goodness of God, and 10 people received Christ immediately.

This really lit up Kelvin's heart and he again asked the evangelist if they could go and meet more of his friends. Not far away, they found them playing drums beautifully. When Kelvin's friends saw him, Kelvin asked if they could allow the man that accompanied him with to speak to them. Again, the evangelist spoke about Jesus, and again, the friends heard the gospel and asked to receive Christ!

After his friends accepted Jesus, Kevin then joined the team in serving the city and later on he gathered with the team for lunch.

Through Kelvin receiving Christ, 20 more came to the Kingdom. Kelvin has been welcomed into ICC Imara where he will be discipled as a follower of Jesus.

Henry's story

Alice is a Kenyan lady who worships at ICC Imara. She decided to participate in serving the city and as she was cleaning the streets of Imara, she kept on praying to God that she would get the chance to speak to someone about Jesus.

While carrying out her task, Alice spotted a man standing behind her and the man asked what was causing Alice to have such a big smile on her face. Alice took the opportunity to tell this man, named Henry, about Jesus.

As it turned out, Henry had previously become a Christian, but had undergone many struggles since then which left him in doubt if God really exists or not. He didn't understand why God would allow him and his family to undergo such troubles. Henry had lost hope in life, and that day he was just walking in the streets of Imara not knowing where he would end up at.

Henry mentioned that he was a Kikuyu man, so Alice decided to win Henry's trust by speaking to him in their native language while sharing the gospel of Christ. And after this conversation, Henry decided to receive Christ again

and his heart was unloaded and he managed to smile like Alice.

Now Henry too is a new member at ICC Imara. Alice has agreed to keep on following up Henry and assist him to get a job.

During Serve the City, the team were able to reach 150 people, 42 of whom gave their lives to Christ, and the team were also able to give out about 1000 tracts to all that used the Imara Route. A team member shared, "By the time we were done with the cleaning up, we left the neighbourhood clean, and the people of Imara in joyful feeling."

