

The Kenyan Connection

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We greet you in Christ from Kenya. God has greatly blessed our ministry here in Nairobi, and we have much to share with you.

KID'S BIBLE CAMP

We held two weeks of back-to-back Kids' Bible Camp (Vacation Bible School) at Zion Road Independent Baptist Church and Santon Independent Baptist Church August 13-24. The Lord sent us an able helper in Miss Melanie Beard of First Baptist Church of Glen Estes, Ohio, who taught our main daily Bible story. Ninety children attended the first week and one hundred fifty the second. We praise the Lord for over forty children who were personally counseled and who professed faith in Christ as Savior.

AWANA BEGINS WITH A BANG!

When the children returned to school in September we began our Awana program. Between fifty and sixty children are attending faithfully each Sunday at Zion Road Independent Baptist Church. We are particularly pleased to see some of the new children who were reached during Kids' Bible Camp among them.



Children's ministry

BASKETBALL OUTREACH COMING!

Our next major outreach will be to youth. In mid-November a team of five Americans, led by youth pastor Jason Kokenzie from Grace Baptist Church, Farmington, NM, are coming to Nairobi. They will be conducting basketball clinics and youth meetings in the three housing areas where our churches have been planted. We are constructing portable posts and hoops, so we can carry the clinics right into the heart of these communities. The week will climax with a basketball tournament and youth rally on Friday, November 23rd. Please pray that we will win many young people for Christ and then channel them into our churches' youth ministries for discipleship.

NEW REGIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE BEGINNING

In July we met with a fellowship of Independent Baptist pastors in Western Kenya. The fruit of that meeting was the establishment of a Bible Institute to be begun this December. Three times a year we will be conducting block classes for three days to train the leadership of these churches in basic Bible doctrines.

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for

- Growth of Santon Independent Baptist Church and wisdom for Pastor Lawrence and Pastor Okari as they are leading this new church.
- Effective evangelistic outreach of youth through our basketball clinics November 17-23.
- Peaceful Presidential elections in December.

Thank you for being our partners in this ministry.

***In Kenya for Christ,
Mike & Gail Mestler***