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Dr. Conrad Mbewe and Dr. Sherif Fahim at El-Soora Conference 2025 in Egypt

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MEDITATION

A Promise of Paradise: A Letter That Satan Does Not Want You to Read

Dr. Brian G. Najapfour

"And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise" (Luke 23:39–43).



Please give me five minutes of your time to explain the meaning of the passage you've just read. These verses tell the story of a dying thief who was given a remarkable promise by Jesus: that he would enter paradise that very day. The word paradise refers to heaven—the dwelling place of God. In essence, Jesus was saying to him, "Today you will be with Me in heaven, where My Father is." What a glorious promise! But why did Jesus make such a promise to this man? What did the thief do to deserve such mercy? Or to put it personally: What must you do to be with Jesus in heaven?

Before you try to answer that question, I must speak plainly: When you die, you will go either to heaven or to hell. There is no third option. Have you ever seriously thought about death? What if you were to die today (God forbid!)—do you know where you would go? The thief knew. He was going to be with Jesus in paradise. So again, the question presses: What must you do to be with Jesus in heaven?

First, repent of your sin.

In the passage you read, the thief acknowledged his sin. He admitted that he deserved the punishment he was receiving, recognizing that he had sinned against a holy God. But he did more than just admit his guilt—he repented. That means he turned away from his sin and turned toward God.

One of the serious problems in our world today is that many people refuse to admit they are sinners. Yet the Bible clearly declares, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). That includes me—and it includes you, dear reader. We have all broken God's holy Law.

And what does sin earn us? The Bible says, "For the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). In other words, what we deserve because of our sin is eternal separation from God's favor.

Perhaps this sounds unpleasant to you—but the fact that you will die one day is proof that you are a sinner. Death exists because sin exists. The Bible teaches that death entered the world through sin (Romans 5:12), and every grave is a reminder of that truth.

You may be thinking, "But I'm not a sinner." Let's be honest: at some point in your life, you've told a lie. That alone makes you guilty before God. Lying breaks the Ninth Commandment, which

forbids bearing false witness. Even a single violation of God's Law is enough to condemn us. The Bible says, "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all" (James 2:10).

And if you claim to be without sin, God says you deceive yourself, and the truth is not in you (1 John 1:8).

O dear reader, do you understand that because of your sin, you have been separated from God? And if you continue in this state—unrepentant and unforgiven—then when you die, you will face God's eternal wrath in the lake of fire.

Yes, it is true that God is loving. But do not forget: He is also holy and just. Because of His justice, He must punish sin. He will not overlook the guilt of those who reject His offer of mercy.

But here is the good news: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Just as Jesus forgave the dying criminal who repented, He is ready to forgive you as well.

Second, as you repent, you must also believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

In our passage, after the criminal repented of his sin, he turned to Jesus and said, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." This simple, humble plea was an expression of genuine faith. He believed that Jesus was the only One who could save him from the punishment his sins deserved.

Jesus—the sinless Son of God—died on the cross for sinners like you and me, so that, as the Bible says, "whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). To believe in Jesus means to place your full trust in Him as your Lord and Savior.

My dear reader, have you believed in Jesus? Have you trusted Him with your soul? Please—believe in Him now, before it is too late.

Now, after the thief repented of his sin and believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, Jesus gave him a glorious promise: "Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise."

Please take careful note: Jesus did not merely promise to *remember* the thief—He promised to *bring him* into His kingdom. There are two important truths about this promise:

First, the promise is sure. Jesus said, "Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise." The word *verily* is translated from the Greek word *amen*, which means *truly* or *surely*. So, this was not a vague or uncertain promise—not a "maybe" or a "perhaps." It was a definite and absolute assurance from the lips of the Son of God.

The dying thief knew, without a doubt, that the moment he left this world, he would be with Jesus in paradise.

My dear reader, may I ask you once again: If you were to die today, do you know for sure that you would be with Jesus in heaven? The good news is, you can know. If you repent of your sins and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, you will receive the same sure promise of eternal life.

Second, the promise is for today. Listen again to the words of Jesus: "Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise." Notice that He did not say, "Tomorrow" or "Next week"—but *today*. The promise of salvation was immediate.

Some people believe that no one can know if they are saved

until after death. But the thief on the cross knew even before he died. How? Because he had believed in Jesus—and the promise of God is clear: those who believe in Christ will be saved. God is faithful to His word! As Scripture says, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved” (Acts 16:31).

Dear friend, as I close this letter, let me leave you with a few final thoughts to ponder:

First, the only thing you must do to be saved is repent of your sin and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. These two—repentance and faith—must go hand in hand. You might ask, “Is that really enough for me to be saved?” Yes, it is!

Perhaps you’re still wondering, “What about those who say that to be saved, you must also do good works—like keeping the Ten Commandments?” Consider this: the thief on the cross had no opportunity to keep the commandments. In fact, he was being crucified because he had broken them. The only thing he did was repent and believe in Jesus—and that was enough.

The Bible says, “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast” (Ephesians 2:8–9). You see, dear reader, salvation is a gift. It’s not something we can earn by our good deeds. It is something we receive freely from God by faith.

Second, the thief would go to heaven with Jesus not because of his goodness, but because of God’s grace.

Did the thief deserve to be with Jesus in heaven? Of course not! What he deserved—like every sinner—was judgment and hell. But instead, he received a promise of eternal life. Why? Because of God’s grace.

This is the true meaning of grace: it is something we receive from God that we do not deserve. In fact, grace means that God gives us the *opposite* of what we deserve! We deserve punishment—but He offers forgiveness. We deserve wrath—but He gives love. We deserve hell—but He promises heaven. Amazing grace, indeed!

Dear friend, may I lovingly ask you one final time: If you were to die today, do you know where you would spend eternity? Please, don’t ignore this question. For your own soul’s sake, think about it deeply.

Remember, there is a promise of paradise—but it is only for those who repent and believe in Jesus Christ, who lived the perfect life that you and I could never live, and who paid the penalty for our sin through His death on the cross.

EDITORIAL

Pentecost has Fully Come

Corney Les

At the time that I am writing this, we have just commemorated the day of Pentecost. The day of Pentecost in the New Testament was an event when a noisy, violent windstorm blew through a packed indoor gathering, and tongues as of fire descended on the disciples, yet they remained unhurt, and all of the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. They all began to speak in other languages as



empowered by the Holy Spirit. Everyone in the audience who had traveled to Jerusalem “from every nation” to celebrate the “Feast of weeks” that occurred every year 50 days after the Passover heard the disciples speak in their own language. This “Feast of weeks” was one of three major Jewish festivals that brought thousands of pilgrims to Jerusalem each year. Acts 2:5 says that there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven.

It is interesting that there are several other biblical references to fire that does not consume. One reference is Moses at the burning bush that was not burned up. God speaks to Moses in his own language and tells him to remove his shoes for he is standing on Holy ground. God then empowers Moses to lead the Israelites to freedom from slavery in Egypt.

From Egypt the Israelites travel to Mount Sinai where the wind rages and fire sits on Mount Sinai, symbolizing God’s presence. The Israelites are confused and amazed by this, but the Lord reassures them that He is there to lead and guide them. There He gives them the ten commandments which they are to follow.

When the tabernacle is then built in the same location, God appears in a huge column of fire hovering over it. This also signifies God’s presence and marks His dwelling place. When a permanent temple is built later, this same fire appears to show God’s dwelling glory. This was evidence that God had settled in His temple.

All of these historical events include fire that appears as God’s presence and indicates His dwelling place or temple.

Now at Pentecost, the fire rested on the heads of each of the disciples. This tells us that the temple is made of “each of them” (v. 3); that is, the temple is now made up of people. God now dwells with all His people, those who trust and believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

Jesus had promised His disciples that the Holy Spirit would come upon them. Here is the fulfillment of that promise. Acts 1:8, “*But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*” This is the beginning of Christian missions, in bringing the good news of Jesus Christ, not only to the Jews but to every nation, tribe and people under heaven.

That everyone heard the disciples in their own language was a great miracle. The disciples were all Jews, coming from a small place in Galilee, in the northern part of Israel. They spoke Hebrew with a distinct accent. For them to get the good news of Jesus to the whole world as Jesus instructed them in Matthew 28 would have been an enormous challenge. But now the “whole world” came to them and everyone heard them in their own language! This bewildered the people who heard them. This is the fulfillment of Jesus’ words in Acts 1:8. This means that the whole world, not only the Jews, will hear the good news of Jesus coming to save sinners. Is this not also a fulfillment of what God said to in Isaiah 49:6b, “*I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth?*”

This was the time when God identified His people as His temple. His temple is made up of people from every tribe and nation under heaven. And each one of His people will bear witness to others of the risen Lord and Saviour. Each one has a desire and

obligation to witness to others both at home and abroad.

We all long for the fulfillment of Habakkuk 2:14, *“For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.”* We rejoice that the Lord has included all peoples as the Apostle Paul states in Ephesians 3: 5-6, *“Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.”*

Let us then be encouraged and continue to be witnesses of Christ wherever we are as Jesus told Peter in Matthew 16:18 that He would build His church and the gates of hell would not prevail against it. The church is God’s means to take the gospel to all nations with the result that His Name will be glorified in all the earth.

In this issue we have reports from various countries where the Mission Committee supports Reformed ministries. Several of these countries are hostile to the spread of the gospel. Please pray that the Lord will continue to uphold our brothers and sisters as they continue to spread the gospel message that Jesus Christ came to save sinners of every tribe and nation. Remember in prayer the work with the Reformed Church of Pakistan, El-Soora Ministries in Egypt, Mukhanyo Theological College in South Africa, the Sudan Reformed Church evangelists working throughout South Sudan, the Sumba, Indonesia Mission and also Covenant College in Zambia.

We also covet your prayers for work that has begun to assist several Reformed churches, in an Asian country that is closed and hostile to the gospel, to organize into a Reformed denomination.

May God’s name be glorified at home and abroad.

MISSION UPDATE EGYPT

El-Soora Conference 2025: A Weekend Marked by Discipleship, Teaching, and Gospel Partnership

Dr. Sherif A. Fahim

Our annual **El-Soora Conference** remains the most anticipated event on our ministry calendar, and this year’s gathering was no exception. Held in February under the theme **“Follow Me,”** the conference focused on the call to discipleship and drew an unprecedented crowd of over **500 attendees** from across the country—and even beyond our borders. It was our largest conference to date, a clear testimony to the Lord’s work among us.

We were honored to host **Dr. Conrad Mbewe** from Zambia as our keynote speaker. Known globally for his faithful expository preaching and pastoral heart, Dr. Mbewe delivered rich and stirring messages that deeply resonated with participants. Over the course of three days, attendees were led through **six plenary sessions**, each building upon the biblical call to follow Christ in every aspect of life. In addition to Dr. Mbewe’s contributions, **Mark Abdo** and **Sherif Fahim** (the writer of this report) each delivered a plenary session, helping to frame the theme of discipleship in both theological depth and pastoral application.

In addition to the plenary sessions, the conference featured **eight breakout sessions** that allowed for deeper engagement with vital theological and practical topics. Some of the sessions focused on the doctrine of sin, the **doctrine and practice of the Sabbath**, and **how to read Old Testament narratives**—offering both clarity and encouragement to believers navigating life in a complex world. These smaller settings provided space for personal interaction, questions, and shared learning among participants. Notably, the number of **pastors and elders** participating continues to grow each year, a sign of the conference’s growing impact on the church in our region.

Another highlight of the conference was the launch of **four significant publications** in Arabic:

- *God Is the Gospel* by **John Piper**
- *Don’t Waste Your Life* by **John Piper**
- *Cultivating Spiritual Growth* by **Conrad Mbewe** (published by Reformation Heritage Books)
- A revised Arabic edition of the **Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter Catechism**, which includes a newly written introduction exploring its theology and historical background

We truly sensed the Lord’s presence during the conference—through the teaching, the worship, and the fellowship. It was a weekend of rich encouragement and renewed vision for what it means to be disciples of Christ. We are thankful for all God has done and look forward to what He has in store for the coming year. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us (1 Sam. 7:12)



Dr. Conrad Mbewe and Dr. Mark Abdo



Dr. Conrad Mbewe and Dr. Sherif Fahim



Dr. Sherif Fahim



Dr. Mark Abdo



The book table

INDONESIA

Sumba Mission – School Growth

Bernie Pennings

Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain. It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep. Psa. 127:1-2

In the weeks leading up to March 13, 2025, the children and staff at the Mission centre in Tana Mbanas saw more activity than usual. Why? It was identified, in 2022, that there was a need for additional accommodation space as the school was growing rapidly. This rapid school growth came at the same time that there was a decrease in the number of vulnerable children and orphans coming into the program at the Home. Fewer children were needing the protection of the Home as slowly, over the years, the local culture was shifting and changing. Children have now become more important in society, and the Indonesian government has realized their responsibility towards child protection and therefore

there are now laws and enforcement of laws to protect children.

This dwindling vulnerable resident population, along with a lot of infrastructure readily available to be used, caused the leadership at the Mission compound to take a serious look at the purpose of the Mission. An analysis was undertaken—looking at what had been done in the past, the current situation and the foreseeable outcomes if the Mission carried on as it was. This analysis occurred along with discussions on what changes could and should be made to continue with a Mission that honours the Lord. There was awareness that the Lord directs all things, even the future of the Mission, and at the same time the Lord has gifted humans with a mind to reason.

Given that fewer children were coming into the Home for daily care, greater emphasis was put into education since the school was functioning well. At the same time, the local families noticed this and had begun to ask if their children could be educated here, especially the families that did not have other opportunities to send their children to school. Some of the children seeking education come from further away as they have no local opportunities to receive an education. Therefore, housing became a problem. For three years, we were able to accept a limited number of children in grades 7-9, with priority given to the poorest, to stay at the Home. However, each year it is a struggle to limit the number of children since the demand is high. This demand has caused a “domino effect” for more housing, which means then more school space, which indicates more people on the property so there is a now a need for more water availability and the list goes on.

Therefore, as this report began by noting more activity than usual, a new boys’ dorm was completed, and a Grand Opening celebration was planned to coincide with celebrating 25 years of work at the Mission. This celebration on March 14, 2025 was attended by visitors from Canada as well as community dignitaries. It was an opportunity to remind the dignitaries and local population in attendance that the work being done was in obedience to the calling to bring the gospel to the people of Sumba, not only through deeds but also the Word. There was a lot of hustle and bustle to ensure that the building was finished, and all was prepared for the Grand Opening.

On the morning of March 13, with the grass cut, gardens weeded, the flowers and bushes manicured, the buildings having received paint touch ups where needed and the grounds beautifully decorated, all was ready. There were five hot fires preparing the food for the day when the people began to show up. They were welcomed with music and by a team clothed in the local cultural attire. The first guests arrived shortly after 9 am which was initially to be the starting time of the day’s ceremonies. True to cultural normality, the ceremony was delayed and would not start until the top-level dignitaries arrived, closer to 10:30 am!

The traditional lengthy introductions were done in both the Indonesian and Sumbanese languages. After the formal introductions, the local pastor began with a church service that included songs, prayer, a message from Leviticus 8:1-10, followed by prayer, songs, and a benediction. The school choir sang, and this was followed by a short video presentation of the construction progress of the boys’ dorm. Between the addresses and ceremonial formalities, the school children demonstrated their skills in music and performed local skits. Christina thanked all the guests

and groups and shared her testimony in a speech titled “Where is your faith?” (An overview of this can be found in the last Glad Tidings magazine where Christina gave her testimony of coming to the Home and how the Lord guided her.) A short video was also shown displaying 25 years of God’s faithfulness in Sumba. Bernie Pennings spoke, reminiscing about the growth he has seen since he first became involved with the Mission, reminding all that this is clearly not the work of man, but God directing all things.

Representatives from SDF (Siloam Development Foundation) from Lethbridge, Alberta, Peter Klok and Kim, also spoke a few words at the ceremony. The regional mayor spoke at length about the history of the Mission beginning with Opa Sommer and Christina when they first came to Sumba and their requests for water for the area. A special mention was made of the accreditation of the school and how today the locals are benefiting from all the work done by the Mission. It has truly made Tana Mbanas a place to be noticed. The chief of Police welcomed and thanked the donors in Canada and the Netherlands who made this Mission possible. Both the mayor and police chief acknowledged the work and dedication of Opa Sommer and Christina. What stands out is that they were hard workers and insistent that every step they took was in order to help the people, especially the vulnerable. Giving thanks for their determination, many people now have a chance to have something to eat. Both the mayor and police chief pledged to help wherever they can.

After 4 hours, the final event of the ceremony was the official “Handover of the Keys” to the Boys’ dorm from the construction team to the Mission leadership. This was followed by the ribbon cutting ceremony and then a tour of the dorm and a meal which was enjoyed by all.

This was a very public display of the progress and work done by many to make the Mission possible. In all this however, we acknowledge that none of this was done on our own. We want to acknowledge that “unless the LORD build the house, they labour in vain who build it.” The Lord started this by having one of His servants be obedient in bringing a “cup of water to Sumba.” The Lord blessed the work, through the many mistakes and hardships happening along the way, and yet, each time the Lord sustained and blessed the work. May God receive all the glory for the Mission work in Sumba.



Crowd gathering for ceremonies



Pastor opening with God’s Word



Chief of Police addresses the assembly



Cultural skit performed by the children



Christina translating for Bernie at opening



Entry for ceremonies



Boys settling into their new Home

PAKISTAN

Trinity Conference 2025: Celebrating 1700 Years of the Nicene Creed

Pastor Arslan Ul Haq

In celebration of the 1700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed, the Christian Education and Discipleship Committee of the Reformed Church of Pakistan organized the Trinity Conference 2025 on May 20th at La Serre Restaurant, Bahawalpur.

Due to extreme temperatures (reaching 45–47°C) and security considerations, attendance was limited to the people of only two districts of South Punjab. Despite the challenges, the atmosphere was filled with reverence and joy.

The event began with worship, as attendees sang Psalms and hymns in praise of the Triune God. Together, the attendees confessed the Nicene Creed, affirming the faith passed down through generations. Pastor Arslan Ul Haq delivered a message on the practical implications of knowing the Triune God, grounded in Scripture. He also shared the historical context behind the Council of Nicaea and the formulation of the Creed. A dedicated time for questions and answers was provided.

As part of the conference, each attendee received a free copy of the newly translated Urdu edition of *Is the Trinity Practical?* by Ryan M. McGraw (Reformation Heritage Books), translated by Pastor Arslan Ul Haq. This resource aims to help believers better understand and apply the doctrine of the Trinity in everyday life.

The event concluded with a shared meal of masala rice, salad, raita, and cold drinks, providing a time of fellowship and refreshment.

We are thankful to God for the success of Trinity Conference 2025 and deeply appreciate the support of the HRC Mission Committee. **All glory and praise be to the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.**



Pastor Arslan Ul Haq is the Moderator of the Reformed Church of Pakistan.

SOUTH AFRICA

Serving in South Africa

Dr. Brian DeVries

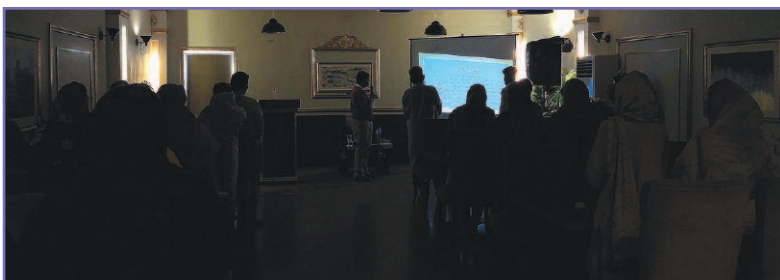
Greetings in the name of Christ our King! Thanks for the opportunity to give a brief update about the various ministries in which I serve. We are humbled and thankful for the Lord's continued mercies at the college, with the church, in other ministries, and within our family.

By God's grace, I continue to serve as principal at Mukhanyo Theological College, working directly for the Mukhanyo Board since late 2021, still as a HRC minister since 2004, sent out by the Grand Rapids consistory. I also continue to serve as a minister of Grace Reformed Church (GRC) in Pretoria (within the Reformed Church of South Africa), as a co-pastor since early 2024 and, in this capacity, still under the authority of the GRC church council.

Mukhanyo Theological College

Due to the Lord's gracious blessing and provision, the ministry at Mukhanyo continues to mature. We are blessed with a wonderful multiethnic team of experienced Christians – faculty, staff, directors, donors, etc. – committed to the vision of missional education in Southern Africa. Several recent highlights include:

- Mukhanyo opened a new campus in Cape Town, where classes started with 13 students on January 28. There are now 6 campuses and more than 100 active local learning sites, with more than 1,000 active students. There were 772 graduates in the past six years, with 182 in 2024.
- In the past year, Mukhanyo has appointed a number of new full-time and part-time lecturers in an effort to strengthen academic leadership long-term. There are presently 49



lecturers serving at the six campuses, of which about 20 are chiefly full-time (almost all of whom are ministers).

- The Mukhanyo programme offering has matured, now with a full range of study options from unaccredited courses for church-based training, to diploma and degree level accredited qualifications, to the BTh Honours and soon an accredited MDiv degree that will be thoroughly Reformed and contextually African. There are several ministry-focused areas: teachers education, preaching, and biblical counseling, with others to follow. The partnership with PRTS is also blessed: more than 25 students study in the ThM qualification of PRTS via Mukhanyo.
- Mukhanyo continues to lead TEASA – a network of conservative evangelical Bible schools in Africa. See www.TEASA.co.za for more info. This year we host our 14th annual event, under the theme “Cultivating Biblical Worldview in African Bible Education” on June 17-19.
- We are thankful for Mukhanyo’s strong governance and management teams, its maturing faculty, and its mostly indigenous staff. We are also thankful for the faithful financial support received from the HRC each year. This support remains vital, though we are also thankful that more than 40% of our funding comes from Africa (it was 50% for a few years before COVID).

Increasingly in the past few years, I have been less involved in day-to-day operational and academic matters, since the Board wants me to give more attention to leadership and other strategic responsibilities, and since Mukhanyo continues to build staffing capacity at all levels.

Please continue to pray for the Mukhanyo ministry: that our leaders will serve with integrity, that our lecturers will demonstrate godliness, and that our graduates will be used by God to serve and strengthen His church in southern Africa. You and your church can sign up for the bi-monthly newsletter updates at www.mtc.ac.za.



Graduation 2025

Grace Reformed Church

Becoming an established church in May 2019 after seven years of church planting ministry, the Grace Reformed Church is still young and maturing. Yet we are very grateful for many signs

of spiritual growth in the congregants and other encouragements.

The most notable development of late is the installation in April 2024 of my colleague, Rev. Mauritz Bezuidenhout, as a co-pastor of the congregation. Since the end of 2018, the council and I had been speaking about me stepping back. But these plans were paused during COVID, and last year the church council asked me to stay on longer as co-pastor for at least another year or two. Now I give about 10-12 hours per week to the church, and hope eventually to step back from being co-pastor in order to make space for other leaders.

Our church is a wonderful multiethnic community of Christians from many tribes and peoples and languages, gathering before God’s throne together in worship. We have about 60 souls on average each Sunday, which should be more since our view of the Sabbath is still reforming. My ministry colleague, Rev. Mauritz, now does most of the pastoral leadership work. My wife, Lanae, also continues to serve in the vital role of “mama moruti” (pastor’s wife).

Please pray for me and the council of GRC since we are concerned about the denomination’s ongoing failure over many years to discipline GKSA churches that have appointed female elders. Please also pray for wisdom to address the urgent need for many more Reformed multiethnic church plants in communities around South Africa.

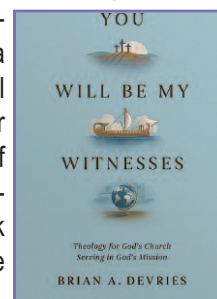


Pastor Mauritz and Pastor Brian

Reformed Witness Ministry

My involvement in related ministry areas has continued to grow in the past decade, and especially in recent years. This includes preaching and teaching opportunities, speaking at conferences, and leadership in various ministries (like TEASA, the Grace Ministers’ Conference, the Evangelical & Reformed family conference, or the Covenant College board). Writing a book on Reformed mission, *You Will Be My Witnesses* (Crossway 2024), was also a time investment in this regard.

Many of these opportunities initially developed from Mukhanyo connections. There is a great need in Africa for reformed theological education and also a great need globally for reformed missiology. An increasing amount of my time has been given to this area of ministry, which is another reason to step back from the pastoral leadership of GRC and the daily operations of Mukhanyo.



The DeVries Family

The hustle and bustle of various family ministries also continues from month to month, including homeschooling and hospitality, weekly church activities, music lessons and family outings, Bible studies and home visits, and a large social network of Christian friends here in South Africa. We've started a homeschooling co-op program with some other families, at which I'm also teaching a course on apologetics this year.

We remain grateful for the wonderful opportunity to serve in Christ's kingdom, and we are humbled by God's amazing generosity to us as a family! Though God has graciously blessed the work here, we pray for a much greater work of spiritual revival in southern Africa – truly the need is great, society is increasingly belligerent towards Christ, the devil is active even in the church, and we are few and feeble. Pray that our sovereign Lord will crown our meager efforts with divine effect to send forth more faithful kingdom-seekers in southern Africa.



DeVries family

Thankfulness and Hope

Thank you very much for your prayers – for us as a family personally and for the ministry work being done here in Southern Africa. Pray also that the Lord will continue to guide and provide for us as we look upward and forward in hope. Prayer is the best way to support us (Col. 4:3; 1 Thess. 5:25; 2 Thess. 3:1; Heb. 13:18)! We remain very grateful for our church family and for denominational networks that provide this kind of spiritual support.

CHURCH EVANGELISM

Heritage Reformed Congregation of Jordan

John Beeke

The Lord Jesus calls us to "love your neighbor as yourself." We believe that neighborly love is best expressed face-to-face. This can be done in many different ways, some of which fall under our Evangelism Committee that meets 2-3 times a year. Here are some itemized outreaches that we provide as a church:

Mexican Migrant Ministry

For almost 25 years, we have been involved with the Migrant Workers Ministry here in Jordan. This ministry is run and supported together with three local Reformed churches in the area (FRC, URC, and HRC Jordan). It was officially formed in 2001 and began with the help and leadership of Pastor Harry Bout. In 2004, Wilf Bout (Pastor Bout's son) took over the role of overseeing the ministry and has, to this day, faithfully served the Lord in this ministry, together with his wife Sharon and their five

children.

Every Sunday evening, our dedicated team of volunteers goes out to many local farms to pick up those who are willing to attend the Spanish-language worship service at 7:00 p.m. On average, about 100 migrant workers attend, though some Sunday evenings the number can be as high as 140.

As part of the ministry, we also offer ESL classes every Tuesday night and again rely on volunteers to pick up and drop off those who want to improve their English. After each ESL session, we close the evening with a short devotion on a chapter of the Bible. General attendance for the ESL classes is approximately 130 people.

The ministry also hosts three separate "Picnics" during the spring-to-fall season, usually held on a Saturday evening starting around 5:00 p.m. These events typically attract larger crowds of 350-450 migrant workers. At these picnics, we organize various activities including soccer (a favorite), baseball, cornhole tournaments, mechanical bull rides, and other interactive games, followed by a meal and a 30-minute devotion to end the night.

Other events during the year include a Christmas Eve service, a New Year's Eve service, and some smaller-scale outings. Wilf is often counseling men and women experiencing various trials, going on hospital visits, holding small group Bible studies, and engaging in many other responsibilities that come with the ministry.

This ministry is busy and vibrant! Many migrant workers—both men and women—have been blessed under the Word, and many have confessed the Lord Jesus as their only hope in this life and the life hereafter. We give thanks to our Lord as we labor together, keeping the focus of our mission: showing the love of Christ in Word and in deed. Please pray for this ministry—that the Holy Spirit will continue to open hearts to receive the Gospel!

Neighbors' Table

Neighbors' Table was born this year when Joey Rumbos, a 15-year-old high school student, sensed the Holy Spirit urging him to make Christ's love tangible for those living on the margins. What began with a single tray of Costco muffins has grown into a weekly outreach every Thursday evening on the downtown streets of St. Catharines, where teens set a "table" of hospitality for their homeless neighbors—serving, on average, over 100 individuals each week.

The "table" includes hot meals, fresh coffee, clothing, hygiene kits, Bibles, and evangelism that is hands-on, mind-to-mind, and heart-to-heart. Several adult members provide training in street safety, prayer, and support, as well as help with evangelizing.





Vacation Bible School

Each summer, we invite children from the church, school, and community to attend our one-week Vacation Bible School, held each morning from Monday through Friday. Usually, around 80 children attend. The program is divided into three age groups, with each group rotating through Bible lessons, crafts, games, snack time, and other activities.

This is a great way to reach unchurched children from the community. Last year, we were blessed to welcome some Muslim children and even one of their mothers!

Trinidadian Migrant Ministry

This ministry has existed for nearly 30 years. Our friends from Trinidad—42 of them this year—come to work in the orchards from April through October on a farm near the church. We alternate each Wednesday evening, providing them with basketball at our school gym with a Bible devotion one week, and a Bible class at the farm the next week.

They arrive in the spring on three different flights at different times, and each time we greet them with Kentucky Fried Chicken or Popeyes, which they love! Bible classes are usually led by Therren Shelton, a church member who daily evangelizes in the Greater Toronto Area.

Please pray that God would reach these young men and touch their hearts with the work of His Spirit so that they may know, love, and follow the Lord Jesus Christ.



Other Means

We prepare gift packages called Blessing Bags, consisting of hygiene products, tracts, nutritious bars, and more, which are handed out to the homeless on street corners.

Our church also supplies free Bibles to our thrift store, which is affiliated with our school, Jordan Christian School. A small sign in the store permits one Bible per person. We do not hand them out; individuals must take one of their own accord. So far, well over 3,000 Bibles have been taken during the store's ten-year existence!

Dear friends, we will never know all the fruit that may come from these endeavors. The Lord, who is the Great Sower, knows. But we believe that some of the seed sown in each outreach will bear fruit—as some already have. Let us all be active in casting our bread upon the waters.

John Beeke is an elder at Jordan HRC.

DOMESTIC OUTREACH

The Lord Who Makes the Dead Alive

Rev. Darryl Dedert

I recently took a special trip with two of my children. We flew to Frankfurt, Germany, and took a ten-day road trip through Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, and even drove through the tiny country of Liechtenstein.

In each place that we stopped, we made it a priority to visit some of the local churches and cathedrals. In Heidelberg, we visited the cathedral where Caspar Olevian preached. In the Swiss Alps, we visited small mountaintop Reformed Churches. In Italy, we explored ornate medieval cathedrals.

While staying in the small village of Solferino in Italy, we visited a chapel that serves as a memorial for the thousands of soldiers killed in a famous 19th century battle. As we entered the church, we were astounded to find that the walls were lined with thousands of skulls, skeletons, and other bones from those who had perished. It was a gruesome sight, not something that I expected to see in a church.

Yet, I found it to be symbolic of what we had seen in our short trip. The churches we had visited were all dead churches. They either were no longer used for worship services, or if they were, there was no sign that the gospel was being proclaimed there.

I know that there are places in Europe where the gospel is still being faithfully proclaimed, and even some places where there are signs of revival occurring. Yet, in our limited travels, we did not come across this. Though we saw many beautiful churches, we didn't see any signs of spiritual life. It was disheartening not to meet any other believers worshipping the Lord of heaven and earth or to talk with a pastor who was faithfully bringing God's Word.

As I stood in the Solferino chapel of bones, I thought of Ezekiel 37, where Ezekiel is given a vision of dry bones. The Spirit of the Lord brought Ezekiel to a valley full of dry bones. Ezekiel went around the valley looking at all the bones. There was no life in them, no flesh remained upon them—they were dry and brittle bones. And the Spirit of the Lord asked Ezekiel, "Can these bones live?" Looking at these bones, I would automatically say, "No, of course not. They are all dead." But Ezekiel did not say this. He knew the Lord could do the impossible, even bringing dead bones to life. So Ezekiel responded with, "O Lord God, thou knowest." Then the Lord told Ezekiel, "Prophecy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD." And then the Lord God said to the bones, "Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD." Then the bones came together, and sinew and flesh were added to them, and skin covered them. The wind came and breathed life into them, and they lived.

As I looked around at the thousands of bones, I thought of the amazing work of our Lord and the precious promises of salvation that He gives us. I thought about His life-giving and powerful

Word, and it gave me hope. Here, in what seemed to be a spiritually dead area of the world, there was hope. Here in this village—a village of death, a village where tens of thousands of soldiers died, a village where the gospel is not known-- there was hope. For our Lord can bring life where there is no life. He can turn this chapel of death into a living church, where His Word is faithfully preached.

Our Lord is not only able to bring dead bones to life, but this is a work that He is doing—a work that He delights to do. We need only look through the articles and reports of this magazine to see evidence of the life-giving work the Lord is doing. This encourages and calls us to be involved in, to be supporting, and to be praying for these endeavors. The Lord commands us to be faithful witnesses of His Word. He sends us out into our churches, into our communities, and He sends us across the world to be witnesses of the Gospel to those who have never heard it.

Our hope is found in our great God and Savior, a Savior who brings the dead to life, a Savior who sends out His servants to proclaim His living Word to dead sinners. We have a God who promises to bless his word wherever it is brought and will use it to bring dead bones to life.



Pulpit of Caspar Olevian



Chapel of Bones

BOOKS TO ADVANCE YOUR MISSION & EVANGELISM SKILLS

Fraser Jones

Biblical Missions: Principles, Priorities, and Practices

Edited by Mark Tatlock and Chris Burnett

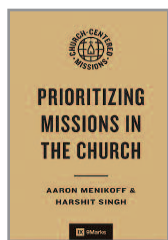
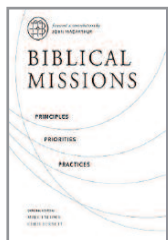
If the missionary enterprise must be marked by one thing, it must above all be biblical. In this practical, sound treatment of missions from a distinctly biblical and theological perspective, one hundred pastors, missionaries, professors, translators, educators, and church planters who have served in six continents join forces to explain the biblical foundations of missions, the pressing priorities of missions, and real-life examples of missions on the ground. In the first part (*principles*), the authors unveil the biblical foundations of missions in the Old Testament, the New Testament, and the book of Acts, as well as in theology (in such concepts as the kingdom of God and the Great Commission). In the second part (*priorities*), the authors articulate the skill of sending and supporting missionaries, as well as identifying, training, and equipping qualified indigenous leaders, before describing real-life examples and case studies in the third part (*practices*). The contributors emphasize the centrality of the local church and the goal of establishing self-supporting, reproducing churches with indigenous leadership. This work—the fruit of over a millennium of combined pastoral and missionary experience—includes contributions from such pastors and missionaries as Brooks Buser, John MacArthur, Conrad Mbewe, and Paul Washer, and is arguably one of the most definitive textbooks on missiology ever produced in the evangelical and Calvinist tradition.

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Prioritizing Missions in the Church

Aaron Menikoff and Harshit Singh

With rich and diverse perspectives from two pastors ministering on opposite sides of the world (India and the United States), this book reinforces the centrality of the local church in missions above parachurch organizations (valuable as they may be). Defining missions as “church planting across significant barriers,” the authors focus on the corporate dimension of missions, the importance of cultivating a global mindset in missions, and the centrality of holiness and healthy ecclesiology to the effectiveness of missions. Demonstrating how the gospel is the *message* and the church is the *means* of spreading that message, this book explains how missions is central to what the church is because it is tasked with preserving, proclaiming, and propagating the gospel. The authors do not manipulate or guilt the readers into supporting or engaging in missions, but point them to the greatest motivations for missions—love to Christ, love for the lost, and love for the gospel. With clarity, brevity, and practicality, the authors emphasize the Word of God and the means of grace as foundational to the health of local churches and church plants. While one need not agree with everything in this work, pastors and church members “on the home front” will be challenged, convicted, and encouraged. This work will crush any objections to supporting



missions either by going or sending. No believer is exempt from the call. By reading this book, you will find answers to such questions as these: “Is missions a priority in my local church?” “What about in my own life?” And, “Am I called to go?” (Crossway; softcover; 240 pages) \$21.99

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YOUTH EVANGELISM

Charlie's Dishonesty

Henrietta van Woerden

Charlie lived in the countryside close to a lake. He loved being outdoors and going fishing. It was Monday and it was time for Charlie to go back to school. He was sitting on the bus headed for school. He was beginning to feel very uneasy. His parents had asked him if he had homework but Charlie had told them he did not. He hadn't finished his homework. He thought they would never know. Charlie had wanted to go fishing on the weekend and his homework was getting in the way of a fishing trip to the lake. How was he going to tell his teacher Miss Sally? The homework was due when he got to school.

When Charlie got to class Miss Sally asked everyone to hand in their assignment. Charlie wrote his name on a blank piece of paper and wrote “I forgot”. Miss Sally checked each student's work but when she got to Charlie's paper it had only two words, “I forgot.” Miss Sally asked Charlie to come speak to her. He was very nervous that his lie wasn't going so well. Miss Sally stated, “I will need to have a conversation with your parents about your unfinished assignment.” Charlie's day wasn't going so well. His dishonesty towards his teacher and parents was beginning to really bother him. He really didn't want to go home. Charlie had told lies to two people; his situation was getting worse. He remembered what the Bible said about lying and what his parents had taught him. He knew it would be better to tell his parents the truth when he got home. He really didn't want Miss Sally talking to his parents.

When Charlie got home from school he went straight to his bedroom. He knelt at his bedside and asked God to forgive him for his lies and for courage to speak to his parents. At the dinner table that evening Charlie asked to speak to his parents. He confessed that he had lied to his parents on the weekend about his homework. He also confessed he had lied to Miss Sally. His parents thanked him for confessing to what he had done. His parents told him there would still be a consequence for his actions: no fishing for one week. He told his parents he would also apologize to Miss Sally. Charlie was feeling much better after being honest about his actions.

The next day when Charlie arrived at school he confessed to Miss Sally that he had lied about forgetting to do his homework. He told Miss Sally he'd gone fishing instead of doing his homework. Miss Sally thanked Charlie for his honesty but said he still would have to finish that assignment. Suddenly, the assignment didn't feel like such a big deal. He realized lying wasn't a very

pleasant feeling.

When he arrived home after school he went to his bedroom and knelt at his bedside to thank God for helping him work through his situation.

Questions:

1. What was Charlie's difficult situation?
 - He lied
 - He was dishonest
 - He ran from his problem
2. What did Charlie lie about?
 - fishing
 - his homework
 - his assignment
3. What do you think Charlie could have done differently?
4. Have you ever lied about something so that you would not have to suffer a consequence?
5. How did Charlie deal with his situation when he confessed his lying?
6. Do you think Charlie's need for prayer was a good example of what we all should do?

HRC Jordan Youth Activity

Jackie Sinke & Melanie Overbeeke

Junior Youth Group: This season, our junior youth group (leaders: Ness and Sheldon Pols, Michelle Terharmse, Liv Zondag, Nathan Hartwell, and Jackie Sinke) chose the theme "I am a disciple of Jesus" based on Luke 9:23. With 20–25 regular attendees, we split our bi-weekly meetings into the three S's: Social, Speaker, and Service—a combination of activities rooted in faith, fun, and fellowship.

Our activities were as varied as they were meaningful. Social events included a trip to Sky Zone, Fallsview Waterpark, a white elephant Christmas party, skating, and swimming.

On the Service side, we raked leaves, cleaned our church, made meals and cards for families in need, and enjoyed a memorable game night with Mexican migrants who are also part of our church's migrant ministry.

Our speaker evenings were informative and fascinating, especially the visit from Mr. Knevel, a detective with the Niagara Regional Police Service.

We began each meeting with prayer and Scripture. Whether laughing together, serving others, or listening to our guest speakers, we continue to challenge our junior youth in their walk with the Lord as His disciples.



Senior Youth Group: Bi-weekly, the grade 9-12 Jordan HRC youth group meets for fun and fellowship. Our evenings include a mix of relationship-building, spiritual growth, and community service.

This year, our community service was focused on our theme verse: "Do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God." One of our service nights was spent at Clarity Pregnancy Centre, where we helped prepare and send over 2,000 Christmas card mailings for their fundraiser.

We learned what it means to bring the gospel into conversations with abortion-vulnerable women, many of whom face fears related to unplanned pregnancies. In the midst of hardship and brokenness, the beauty of the gospel shines brighter—especially as we saw firsthand how the women are provided with every baby item, article of clothing, and diaper they may need.

We also spent an evening on the streets of St. Catharines doing ministry among the homeless. As a group, we assembled and distributed Blessing Bags filled with toiletries and supplies, along with coffee. We took the opportunity to ask their names, hear their stories, and share the message of Jesus.

One of our teens who does this weekly, along with a police officer from our congregation who often interacts with the homeless through his work, joined us that night. Together, they have built a good rapport with many on the streets.

Having the opportunity to share who Jesus is and what He has done brings what we learn and study in youth group to life in a whole new way.



MISSION FINANCES

Peter Schenderling & Matt Stam

Dear friends,

We wish to thank our supporters in our mission call to seek ways to spread God's Word. Please pray for the HRC Committee as we continue to seek out opportunities for spreading the Gospel.

As well, continue to pray for the Domestic Outreach Committee as they support various congregations with pulpit supply.

We are deeply grateful for God's grace. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to bless us in our work, working mightily through our efforts so that the gospel message will become precious to many people.

Please find attached the latest financial statements.



HRC General Mission
Financial Reports
For the Nine Months Ending April 30, 2025
Actual and Budget figures presented in CAD

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Actual YTD	Budget 24/25	Act vs Bud Variance	Actual Prior YTD	CY vs PY Variance
Revenue					
HRC Church Donations	\$ 135 624	\$ 175 346	\$ (39 722)	\$ 104 022	\$ 31 602
Individual Donations	2 050	3 750	(1 700)	4 750	2 700
Total Income	137 674	179 096	(41 422)	108 772	28 902
Less: Designated donations					
Book translation	(28 800)	-	(28 800)	-	(28 800)
Adjusted Revenue	\$ 108 874	\$ 179 096	\$ (70 222)	\$ 108 772	\$ 102
Expenditures					
Administration Costs	\$ -	\$ 375	\$ (375)	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Charges	243	450	(207)	66	177
Delegate Travel	-	3 750	(3 750)	744	(744)
Glad Tidings - Pub. & Dist.	7 492	11 250	(3 758)	7 083	409
Other Program Support	100 016	107 850	(7 834)	107 434	(7 418)
Potential Mission Opportunities	14 018	48 750	(34 732)	-	14 018
Professional Fees	-	675	(675)	-	-
Tuition fees	-	5 996	(5 996)	12 398	(12 398)
Exchange Loss (Gain)	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	\$ 121 770	\$ 179 096	\$ (57 327)	\$ 127 725	\$ (5 955)
Excess of Revenue (Expenditures)	\$ (12 895)	\$ -	\$ (12 895)	\$ (18 953)	\$ 6 058

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Actual YTD	Prior YTD	CY vs PY Variance
Assets			
Bank	\$ 126 932	\$ 140 942	\$ (14 010)
Due From DOC	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$ 126 932	\$ 140 942	\$ (14 010)
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Current Liabilities	-	9 345	(9 345)
Total (Current) Liabilities	\$ -	\$ 9 345	\$ (9 345)
Net Assets			
Designated - Bible Doctrine Translation	\$ 28 800	\$ -	\$ 28 800
Undesignated	98 132	131 597	(33 465)
Total Net Assets	\$ 126 932	\$ 131 597	\$ (4 665)
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 126 932	\$ 140 942	\$ (14 010)

HRC Domestic Outreach Committee
Financial Reports
For the Nine Months Ending April 30, 2025
Actual and Budget figures presented in CAD

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Actual YTD	Budget 24/25	Act vs Bud Variance	Actual Prior YTD	CY vs PY Variance
Revenue					
HRC Church donations	\$ 45 808	\$ 81 613	\$ (35 805)	\$ 59 939	\$ (14 131)
Other church donations	760	-	760	-	760
Total Income	\$ 46 568	\$ 81 613	\$ (35 045)	\$ 59 939	\$ (13 371)
Expenditures					
DOC Support - Bradford	\$ 25 000	\$ 18 750	\$ 6 250	\$ -	\$ 25 000
DOC Support - Plymouth	20 506	40 113	(19 607)	47 260	(26 754)
Other Outreach Support/Retirement Fund	-	4 922	(4 922)	-	-
Bank Charges	61	224	(162)	46	15
Delegate Travel	-	2 461	(2 461)	692	(692)
Contingency	-	14 767	(14 767)	-	-
Exchange Loss (Gain)	4 809	377	4 432	3 800	1 009
Total Expenses	\$ 50 376	\$ 81 613	\$ (31 237)	\$ 51 798	\$ (1 422)
Excess of Revenue (Expenditures)	\$ (3 808)	\$ -	\$ (3 808)	\$ 8 141	\$ (11 949)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Actual YTD	Prior YTD	CY vs PY Variance
Assets			
Bank	\$ 33 360	\$ 48 970	\$ (15 610)
Due from General Mission	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$ 33 360	\$ 48 970	\$ (15 610)
Total Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Assets	\$ 33 360	\$ 48 970	\$ (15 610)
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 33 360	\$ 48 970	\$ (15 610)

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spiritual encouragement to the areas
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Gather them in! for yet there is room
At the feast that the King has spread;
O gather them in! let His house be filled,
And the hungry and poor be fed.

Gather them in! for yet there is room;
But our hearts—how they throb with pain;
To think of the many who slight the call
That may never be heard again.

Gather them in! for yet there is room;
'Tis a message from God above;
O gather them into the fold of grace,
And the arms of the Savior's love.

Out in the highway, out in the byway,
Out in the dark paths of sin,
Go forth, go forth, with a loving heart,
And gather the wanderers in!

Fanny Crosby