

A Message on Outreach

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I forgot to mention that if you become a teacher for World Bible School or World English Institute you probably should get several students because not all students who sign up or register will do their lessons.

Now I will continue my thoughts of the third ministry I am involved in is helping the less fortunate. **Sarah Awuor**, one of my students, in Kenya, Africa is 20 years old. She has 6 siblings younger than her. They are orphans and there are no orphanages in Migori, Nyanza, Kenya. The people who come to the House of Hope live like kings compared to these orphans and the small group that meets at the Church of Christ there. They were eating one meal or less a day. Sarah goes around to homes and other places to find jobs to do to earn money to feed her and her 6 siblings. They were wearing clothes that were falling apart. So I have started sending them money to help them out (James 1:27).

On March 24, 2020, Sarah registered on the World Bible School website and I adopted her and sent 2 messages. She does volunteer work such as: teaching Sunday children and helping older person just to get something for her siblings. 3/25 received a message. She said "I am so happy to hear from you and for your desire to be my study helper. I am the oldest child in our family. I have 6 siblings. I am total orphan, being that my parent died (They passed away during post election violence) and left us. We really missed them, but we are in need of the company. I shared your email with her (She is called **Janet Adhiambo** who has 3 children of her own and has taken in the 7 orphans) and she was very happy to get a new friend from America to teach us the word of God and stand with us in prayers. In fact the woman is doing a great work that counts in our lives and help me to pray for her good generosity. We have been struggling to survive. I am a hard working girl who go to do odd jobs just to get money for our family. I completed my secondary school just last year but with hardship to find fees. I am here to tell you that our situation is becoming more worst because I used to search odd jobs for our survival but now we are being detained in the houses (because of the coronavirus). We are stranded of how we will get food for survival. Our hope is fading and even the mother that used to support us is also down financially."

"One day I went to ask for job in one of our neighboring home when I met someone who was doing evangelism. He introduced to me and I told him all about me and my situation. He prayed for me and advised me to seek God for everything I am doing. They were preachers (probably men from the congregation) at the church of Christ. I told them that I need Christ in my life and they advised me to take my studies with World Bible School. I made decision to register and start my lessons. I found the way to be very interested lesson that was moving and bring my heart closer to the Bible. I have still long way to go and I was invited to attend the church nearby Church of Christ which I will visit next Sunday. I hope you know your student and I need your more prayers for me and my young ones." 4/1 she was baptized in the Church of Christ with other 3 others. She has been attending the Church of Christ. Sarah has completed all 55 lessons on the World Bible School website.

Janet Adhiambo said “I am a widow and my husband died in 2013. He was diagnosed suffering from malaria. He left me with 3 children and I thank God for their lives. I found it blessed to have such people and give them support. I am a small business woman. I am born again Christian fellowship with the Church of Christ for 18 years. I have 3 children and other 7 ones of whom I am supporting to get food and basic needs. I know you from one of the girls who has been struggling to support her siblings by the name Sarah Awuor but due to the situation on the ground here. She couldn't do anything to get income for their survival. She has been praying with her tears for their situation. One day she came to me asking for job of which she told me her story and situation. I felt sorry for her and being touched with the book of James 1:27. I decided to help them with the limited resources I have. I am also a small business woman but the income I get is just enough for my family. However, now everything is restricted that we are being limited to go to market place. We are experiencing difficult time as COVID-19 is killing. I pray to build this relationship you as the young girl who is your student connect us.”

Robinson Ochieng is the preacher there in Migori, Nyanza, Kenya. He said “I know Sarah very well with her family. Their parent died and left them alone and Sarah have been working hard to do odd jobs for her young ones to get food and survive. Recently, I met her when I was doing evangelism when she was asking for job anywhere she can get it and upon hearing this I called her and listen to her story. In fact she had a painful story. I taught her the good News and pleaded with her to seek God fast and encouraged her to know more through World Bible School. I am the one who connected her with sister Janet to help to accommodate her siblings because I was in a journey for a workshop... It is a hard place for the gospel because many people believes ISLAMIC FAITH. However, we are seeing the hands of God and the Lord adds souls in His church... Muslims are very difficult to listen to Christianity even though, we have some who are our members and they make us to reach their former worshipers there. The ones in our congregation have been enlighten and were baptized.... Janet is a woman of faith. Very honest and accountable.”

I close with this thought of how God works in mysterious ways. Did you see how God worked in all 3 of these people lives?

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