

Dear partners, we have much to catch up on since I last wrote you. God has faithfully been granting **MANY opportunities** for me to work with pastors all over the globe, and I'm encouraged by what He is doing. In Isaiah 55:11, God promises that His Word "shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it." Equipping preachers globally to communicate God's Word well, building their

ministries upon this foundation, bears eternal fruit.

CLICK HERE to view a recent **five-minute video** shot on the ground in Africa encapsulating some of what we do. \rightarrow

Recent updates

So much has been going on that I'll just include **links** to blog entries from our website (belzglobal.com) so you can follow up on particulars you are most interested in:

March – Tanzania. I covered both sides of Tanzania, offering a pre-launch conference to a large group of pastors from Tanga, East Tanzania. Then I trained a network of pastors from Mbeya, West Tanzania in our 2 Timothy workshop. For more details, CLICK HERE. For an **incredible testimony** of divine deliverance I heard from my Tanzanian friend Pastor Greyson, CLICK HERE.





people came forward to place their faith in Christ!



Masai Bishop David Kereto leads a Pathways activity.

April – Kenya. After attending an expository preaching conference in Olympia, I headed off for rural Kenya to establish

a new network with Masai pastors. Teaching at a large conference was followed by working with the 17 Masai master trainers, who eagerly soaked up material and will pass training throughout Masailand. At the end of that trip, I was able to visit my dear friend Pastor Harun in the hospital. He is recovering from a life-



threatening case of meningitis, and is now struggling to gather funds to pay the \$5000 hospital bill. For more details about this trip, CLICK HERE.

May – Brazil. This month, I was in Brazil conducting dissertation research interviews and training pastors in the south. It was a very productive, encouraging time hearing how Pathways principles have been implemented in lives and ministries of pastors. I'm also gathering valuable information on how pastors in the Global South learn, where they struggle, and how we can best help them. To read more, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.



Never-ending dissertation work

Family updates

- ⇒ Holly and Alyssa are continuing on by God's grace, but are still in need of your prayers. For those who may be interested in a more complete understanding of their health issues, <u>CLICK HERE</u>. Alyssa recently shared her testimony in church, and that can be viewed <u>HERE</u>.
- ⇒ Andrew is a few weeks from graduation from high school, and is still considering his options for next year. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more.



⇒ Adam has finished his year at Trinity Western University and is home for an extended period to earn money so that he can finish his degree without debt.

What's coming up?

- \Rightarrow May 31 June 2: **Ocean Park, Washington**. Speak at high school youth group summer camp.
- ⇒ June 3 June 14: Kinshasa, DR Congo, then Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire. Lead workshops in both locations. I will be going solo, and each workshop has challenges, so please be in prayer.
- \Rightarrow June 19: Andrew graduates from high school.
- \Rightarrow June 20-24: **Dixon, IL**. Annual Pathways team meeting.
- ⇒ June 30 July 13: Nairobi and Matiliku, Kenya. Andrew will be joining me for these trainings!

Thank you, dear friends, for your continuing support of the work we do. I wish I could give you a fuller picture of how exciting it is to see God working in pastors and churches all over the world. But if you are following the many links in this letter, you'll get a good taste. ©

Preaching the Word

To **listen** to a sermon or two that I've preached recently, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

- \Rightarrow One on Psalm 1-2
- \Rightarrow One on suffering from Acts 7:54-8:4

Please let us know of specific ways we can be praying for you. If you ever want to reach me, the best way is through email at: <u>eric.belz@efca.org</u>

Pressing on by God's grace,

Eric, Holly, Adam, Andrew and Alyssa