

Pastors and church members become Christians!

Buguruni seminary class

For the past eight months, I've been teaching theology classes to pastors and seminary students at an Anglican school which is very liturgical and formal, but unfortunately not very evangelical (doesn't focus much on the Gospel of Christ.) In our last class, I asked the students questions to find out where their faith rested for their salvation, and it became clear that each was trusting in his own works to save him, although they admitted they were only 50-80% sure they'd make it to heaven. Pastor Army Sentimea, the senior member, said, "I am hoping God lets me into heaven, because I've tried to do what is right for the most part. I think He's loving, and it shouldn't be a problem." Pastor Nawa surprised me when he quoted Ephesians 2:8-9, "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." Then in the same breath he said, "So as long as I do what is good and don't boast about it,

I'll get into heaven." Great verse, but he totally missed the point! I prayed for wisdom, and shared how it is only through Christ that we can be saved (1 John 5:11-12; et al). We can be confident we will go to heaven, not based on our works, but through faith in the work of Christ. I asked if any were prepared to trust in Christ instead of themselves, and six of the ten class members stood to their feet! For the full story, visit www.belzglobal.com



Please pray for these men and women who have recently trusted in Christ for salvation!



Kigomboni church seminar

This past week, I was in Kigomboni, a community near Dar, giving a workshop to church leaders and members there. I was getting discouraged because it seemed that people were not really grasping what I was teaching, but the main pastor reassured me they were learning. The last day, I finished by explaining the sufficiency of Christ's work on the cross, and 11 of the 20 men and women present came forward to trust in Christ! All praise to our miracleworking God! Visit our website for more details.



Please pray for...

- Upcoming trainings: Missions course at Mbezi seminary begins June 8; Bible seminar in Kibaha June 14-16.
- Uganda Bible Conference July 4-13. Our family is leading a conference in a refugee camp in Arinyapi, northern Uganda. Please pray for the Spirit to work as this location is definitely in the African "bush." Pray that our kids will enjoy working alongside Ugandan children.

God's kingdom is growing in East Africa through your partnership!

With love and prayers, The Belz Family
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1 John 5:11-12 - "And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life."