

## P.O. Box 2832 Shelby, NC 28151 "Touching People Everywhere With the Good News of Jesus Christ By Developing and Multiplying World Impacting Disciples!"

## Hi Everyone,

It is such a blessing this month to share what God has done and continues to do through Jim Rice Ministries. He continues to work in and through us to invest in others, as they walk with the Lord. One of the truths we teach on a regular basis in our ministry is this idea: For both the individual and the church, disciple making causes us to live not for ourselves but for God and others. This is a good question to ask yourself: is your Christian life more focused on yourself or on others? In 1 Thessalonians 3:8, Paul says to the disciples in this church, "now we live, if YOU stand firmly in the Lord." Paul was living an "inside-out life." This means that he only considered his ministry successful if OTHERS stood firmly in the Lord. He cared more about his disciple's relationship with God than about himself. A real disciple maker is someone who lives for the training, success, and multiplication of somebody else. May this truth be one that you live out in your life on a daily basis.

## **Praises and Prayer Requests:**

- Kerrado & Tamekar McKenzie Our ministry has been investing in this couple since January of 2020, when we met them in Tangle River, Jamaica. We have been investing and walking with them on a weekly basis. Denise Sloan, who disciples Tamekar, shared these words about her, "Tamekar continues to be an example of a believer who lives her life with a grateful attitude, while pointing others to Christ." Continue praying for Tamekar, as she grows in Christ and disciples others in her village. Recently, Rod Harrell started intentionally walking through the Book of James with Kerrado. Pray for Rod and Kerrado to be able to connect better, as they walk through God's Word together.
- Young Adults of The True Worship Centre in Jinja, Uganda I have been teaching these young men and women every Saturday morning for some time now. It has been a joy to walk with them through God's Word. In the last month, we have been studying the principles of being a disciple of Christ through John 15 and complementing it with how Jesus taught us to live it out in Luke 6:27-49. They listen very intently and ask me many questions, as I teach them. I love that they have a heart to live these truths out in their lives daily. George Mukisa is one of the Ugandan men, who comes with a heart to listen to God's Word each week. Recently, he shared these words of what God was teaching him through these teachings, "God has been teaching me so much about ABIDING in Him, and knowing that apart from Him I can do nothing. I started meditating and praying everyday through John 15. Reading these verses each day again and again has resulted into a strong spiritual felt relationship and connection with God. As I read and put to practice Luke 6 in my life, I feel the strength in me to forgive, because I know I was forgiven by Him. I can love my enemies, because I know I once was an enemy with God and He still loved me." As you can see, George is very excited to follow Christ and make disciples. Continue to pray for him and the other young men and women of Uganda, as they listen and put to practice God's Word in their life each and every day.
- David & Prisca Okadi This married couple from Uganda are what Paul writes to the church at Thessalonica in 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20, "For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For you are our glory and joy." This couple is our glory and joy. Off and on, I had been spending time with David, before and after our teaching on Saturday. Lately though, I have had less time with David, because he has been out seeking

work for his family. Please be in prayer for him at this time. Pray that God will establish time for us to meet each week once again. As I shared last month, I handed Prisca off to a lady who has such a great heart for Uganda. Her name is Joanne Shulze. Prisca and Joanne have been meeting together every Friday, reading and studying through the Gospel of John. Joanne shared this encouraging word about her time with Prisca, "We both help each other by sharing what the Lord has shown us each week. Thus, many times my understanding has been multiplied by what she shares. Meeting weekly helps me be accountable. It's wonderful to experience the unity of the Spirit though we are miles apart!"

- Pastors from India - The month of September has been a time where Pastor Santhosh and his pastor friends have not been able to meet, so I have spent much time in September praying for them and asking God how I can most adequately speak into them. I am looking forward to spending more quality time with them in October. Please continue praying for Pastor Santhosh and his pastor friends, as they speak God's Word to the people with which they minister to in India. I am excited to see what God will do through them, as they are obedient to His call on their lives.

## The Schedule of our Engagements for 2021

- Oct. (each week) Kerrado McKenzie from Tangle River, Jamaica (Disciple Training)
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- Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Prisca Okadi from Jinja, Uganda (Disciple Training Via WhatsApp)
- Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Young Adults from Jinja, Uganda (Disciple Training Via Zoom)
- Oct. 6, 13, 27 Pastors from India (Disciple Training Via Zoom)
- Oct. 24 Lawndale Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC (Sharing with 3rd & 4th Graders)
- Nov. 7 Westwood Heights Baptist Church, Shelby, NC (Sharing our Ministry with them)

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Praying For Each of You,

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