

"There Is No Joy Like Winning Souls"

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Pastor *Samuel and his fellow ministry team members, go into the hill tribe villages in Bangladesh month after month to share the Gospel. Every month his report and pictures share stories of sharing the good news of Jesus with those who have never even heard the name of Jesus. After sharing some of the many hardships and challenges they face, he simply stated: **"There is no joy like winning souls!"**



To reach the village they take a bus, then a boat, and finally finish on foot.

Pastor *Samuel has been visiting and teaching the twenty-one families in the village of Mangi for the past three years. They began with a house church and then they built a bamboo church. After the bamboo church collapsed the church members started saving to construct a new church building. One of the church leaders asked Pastor Samuel if he could help them with the expense to complete the new building. We were able to send \$1,000 to finish the church. Now they are very happy and expressed their gratitude and thankfulness to the Global Outreach donors. Pastor Samuel went on to say, "because of you, many people heard about Jesus and receive Him as their personal Lord and Savior." Every donation for ministry in Bangladesh helps to reach the lost with the message of Jesus Christ.



Praise God for a new village church dedicated in April.

Pastor *Samuel also expressed the need for three motorbikes for ministers to use. It takes considerable time to travel to the different ministry sites by bus, jeepney, and on foot. Many hours and even days are wasted that could be devoted to ministry. Each motorbike costs \$1,700.

In addition, four village churches still need \$1,000 each to purchase tin for the roof. Your donations to help defray the costs of either of these items would greatly enhance the delivery of ministry in Bangladesh!



A day of celebration as they dedicate the new church.

Fizi Children's Home in DR Congo



A new kitchen is desperately needed at the Fizi Children's Home in DR Congo.

Pastor Fred is currently visiting the children's home in Fizi. Unfortunately, about the same time as the rebels attacked in Congo, a storm blew the kitchen down and we have not been able to rebuild it. The Mama's are having to cook over an open fire outside. It will cost \$7,876 to build them a new kitchen. So far, we have only been able to send \$1,100. A gift of any amount towards the remaining \$6,776 would be greatly appreciated.

Pastor Fred also told us the children would love to have a Bible of their own. The cost of each Bible is \$13, so it would be \$507 to buy the thirty-nine Bibles needed.

Congo for Christ Update

Our friends at Congo for Christ (CCC) in Uvira, DR Congo continue to struggle with challenges caused by the ongoing violence. The rebels have been as close as 18 miles from the CCC campus. In news reports we are hearing about negotiations that hopefully will bring about a peaceful solution and ceasefire to the conflict. Keep praying!



Mango Tree School has resumed classes; however, many students have not yet returned.

Mango Tree School resumed classes after being shut down for about five weeks. Even though the school is operating, many of the children have not yet returned. Many of the families have fled the area and are waiting for peace before they return to Uvira. Other parents are keeping their children at home as they fear for them. This has in turn caused a lack of financial support as the parents are not able to pay the monthly tuition.



The CCC children carry water from the river as they do not have running water in their temporary homes.

Your gifts have been helpful to keep Mango Tree School operating, and the teachers paid.

Another challenge is health and poor hygiene. The children do not have access to clean water in their current location. They must carry the water from a nearby river, which is not clean. This has led to an increase in illness among the children.

Daniel shared this message for Global Outreach donors: *"The political instability and civil war in Uvira have created a crisis that touches every aspect of life in our community. Congo for Christ Center and Mango Tree School remain committed to our mission of care, support and education but we are operating under extreme pressure and uncertainty. Now, more than ever the CCC ministry depends on the support, prayers and solidarity of our global partners."*

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