



The Smiths

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The Power of God!

Ephesians 3:20, "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us."

As I have traveled the world in missions for almost 20 years I have heard many make a similar statement. They stated, "If only I was living when God was working."

I am thankful that I had the opportunity beginning in 1975 to have sat under the ministry of the late Dr. Harold B. Sightler Founder of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Greenville, SC. and worked at the Gospel Hour founded by the late Dr. Oliver B. Greene located in Greenville, SC. I personally saw first hand the Power of God working through these two ministries.

It has also been my privilege to work with Founder and President of IBOM, Dr. J Wendell Runion for almost 20 years. I have again seen first hand the Power of God working through IBOM ministries. I am glad to report to you that I am living when God is working.

To date IBOM has a total of 321 Church plants worldwide. We are now 142 Church plants in Kenya and Uganda Africa. I am praying that IBOM will soon have 200 Church plants in Kenya and Uganda Africa with 100 Church buildings completed. In 2017 the IBOM Churches in Africa recorded the largest number of conversions and baptisms. The distributed over one million Gospel tracts to the lost.

On February 20th, IBOM started a new church plant in Kengatuny, West Kenya with Pastor John Omuse. On March 20th, IBOM will start a new church plant in Bukaye, Uganda with Pastor Emmanuel Etyang. We are preparing to start five more church plants. Our goal for the year is ten new church plants.

IBOM has completed the church

building projects in Nangeni, Siera, and Jairos. We are presently working on the church building projects in Khalaba and Bukhwaya. The Church building project in Khalaba was delayed due to a severe drought. They have now moved forward in the final construction.

Please pray that we can finish the church building projects located in Tullege, Mlimani, Bumusomi, Busyambi and Kabosokipi. Pray that we can finish these ten church buildings by August giving IBOM a total of 64 completed church buildings.

The Lord has provided the \$6,000 needed to purchase six Gospel tents for the Malaba Outreach Baptist Church Bible conference to be held in August. The Lord has also provided the \$1,000 to finish paying off the land in Jairos, \$2,000 to make repairs on the IBOM van in Malaba, Kenya and \$13,000 to ship 30k Bibles in a 20ft container to Malaba, West Kenya before August. I want to continue to fund raise the \$13k for a future Bible container for the Nairobi Outreach Baptist Church. Thank you for giving financially to these various needs.

Bible & Literature Missionary Foundation located in Shelbyville, TN will provide the 30k whole Bibles for Kenya and Uganda Africa. 2018 is the 50th anniversary of this ministry. They need 24 trailer loads of paper to print 500,000 whole Bibles, 500,000 New Testaments and Bible portions. They urgently need your prayers and financial support to reach this goal.

IBOM is presently working on the purchase of the Nairobi Outreach Baptist Church property. We are waiting on documentation regarding the title. We will keep you informed. We look forward to completing this project ASAP. The \$40,000 has been given to purchase the land. IBOM is presently raising funds to build the church building.

One of the urgent needs we have for the Malaba Outreach Baptist Church is chairs. I would like to purchase 1000 chairs @ \$10 each. If 50 churches or individuals would give \$200 each we can meet this urgent need.

Thank you for your faith, love and financial help for the work of missions in Africa. You are co-partners together with IBOM. We love you in the Lord.

Until He Comes,

Dr. RG Smith Acts 27:25 I Believe God.

*"And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily."
Acts 16:5 (KJV)*

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