



# Christ Our Standard Adventists Ministries

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Greetings dear members and friends,

It has been a hectic year for us in Kenya and we rejoice in the many blessings and opportunities to work together with our Savior for the salvation of men, women and children. In this report, encompassing the last quarter of 2024, we will start with quoting Paul's advice from his epistle to Philippians 4:8 —

*"... brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things [are] honest, whatsoever things [are] just, whatsoever things [are] pure, whatsoever things [are] lovely, whatsoever things [are] of good report; if [there be] any virtue, and if [there be] any praise, think on these things."*

We always meet many challenges as we work with God, but we choose to focus on the good outcomes and rejoice even when we encounter obstacles. We have seen God's hand in this ministry right from its conception in early 2024, as we shared in our previous newsletters. God impressed many of you to support our various activities, including the erection of a shelter as a place of worship and its most essential equipment, and facilitating Health outreach in Nakuru East earlier in the year. He also continued to bless our ministry in the last quarter of 2024.

First of all, God has opened new fields, where we were invited to present a seminar on the character of God and discuss the controversy accompanying this subject. A distorted picture of God is not easy to erase from the mind of even the most genuine and free-thinking Christian, who is not afraid of other opinions or peer pressure, yet is still influenced by the old understanding. Unfortunately, many people surrender their thinking to their favorite preacher and refuse to listen to other views regarding the character of God. One inspired author advised:

*"Those who **allow prejudice** to bar the mind against the reception of truth cannot receive the divine enlightenment. Yet, when a view of Scripture is presented, many do not ask, **is it True, —in harmony with God's word?** but, **by whom is it advocated?** and unless it comes through the very channel that pleases them, they do not accept it. So thoroughly satisfied are they with their own ideas, that they will not examine the Scripture evidence, with a desire to learn, but refuse to be interested, merely because of their prejudices." {GW92 125.3}*

We remain hopeful that many will have the opportunity to learn of His true character of truth, love, mercy and freedom as our ministry continues.

In November 2024, we were very blessed to present a program to a little group in Nyeri county, addressing Satan's false accusations against God. It was evident that people had many questions regarding this subject and did not know how to find the correct answers. They were not satisfied or comfortable with a wrathful deity presented to them throughout their religious experience. They love God but find it difficult to accept this distorted concept, yet they go along with the popular and traditional but false picture of God. They were so happy to learn of biblical principles that helped them understand how to discover a loving and merciful God in the Old Testament despite the cruelty assigned to Him by the interpreters. It was a moving experience to see people shed tears of joy as they comprehended God's character of love and were able to

forsake the cruel image they were indoctrinated with. God is indeed very powerful, but because He is Love (1 John 4:8), He cannot help but give His creatures full liberty to yield obedience to Him or withdraw it. Regardless of our unfortunate choices, God still loves us, and it pains Him to the core when we choose our ways disregarding the guidance of the Holy Spirit and walk away from Him to certain destruction. Our stubborn rejection of God's pleadings causes Him to suspend His watchful care and is described in the scriptures as "God's wrath."

I witnessed men fall in love with the *correct biblical* definition of God's wrath and become partakers of His suffering as they see people hurting and destroying themselves. While they now have a solution to offer to their neighbors' problems or even have done all they could to help, they must respect their own choices, even if they are plain wrong.

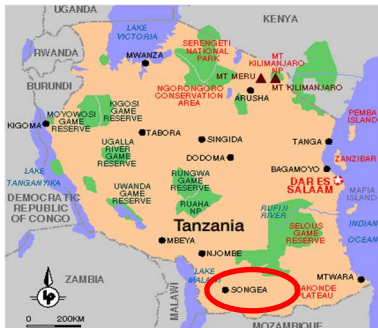
May God add more years to the women who opened their homes to us to reason with God's children and share with them the knowledge He blessed us with.

In early December 2024, we also had another pleasant task to fulfil at our local congregation. Since we started our fellowship, we have been studying hard, intending to become a church congregation through baptism. We thank God for an Elder from Tanzania who came to help the candidates prepare and ensure they were aware of the seriousness of their decision. We rejoice over their faithful commitment to attend the classes, and we thank God for the four men and four women who felt ready to go ahead with baptism. Please keep praying for this little flock.





Immediately after the baptism, we were invited to Tanzania by a group of women to assist our missionary brother Joeli Lova with a health seminar. We delivered talks about God's character of truth, love and freedom, which encourages the development of a healthy and peaceful mind. Despite initial challenges experienced by the host, God helped us run the meetings successfully and we all experienced His blessings. We greatly appreciate their efforts to make us comfortable and provide more than expected to cover our expenses and also take care of all our needs. This seminar was attended by people from all walks of life (some were the least expected!) and various religious backgrounds, which we can only attribute to God's doing, as it is very unusual to have such a diversity of people in religious meetings. This was not an ecumenical seminar — it was a series where people came freely to learn from the Bible about their God and their health. It looks like the 4<sup>th</sup> angel's message experience from the days of William Miller (early Advent movement) is being repeated in front of our very eyes. Miller's lectures generated interest amongst people of various beliefs, who were drawn not so much to a new religious denomination or creed as to the message of their soon-coming Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This 'blessed assurance' and 'blessed hope' is sounding again, and we pray that this time we all accept the wedding garment — the robe of His righteousness, His character.



Please keep praying for this ministry. We are ready and waiting for God to place another one of His assignments in our hands again this year (2025). We don't know yet where He can best use us — "It may not be on the mountain's height Or over the stormy sea, It may not be at the battle's front My Lord will have need of me;" but we'll answer, "I'll go where You want me to go, dear Lord," and "I'll be what You want me to be." We pray that He may hold our weak hands with his precious, strong and sure hand.

We sincerely thank all of you who have sacrificed to enable us to run our mission thus far. Every little bit helps and multiplies when God's blessing rests upon it. We appreciate your generosity in sharing your blessings and commit you all to God's care for the rest of this (hopefully) peaceful and fruitful year.

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