

# Afrika Wa Yesu

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## 1ST QUARTER 2015 NEWS

*Dear Friends,*

What a deluge has come upon Mozambique this year. After the worst of the devastation in the Central Provinces, heavy rains and flooding hit the Northern provinces where we also have many churches. We praise God for those who have helped in sending finances. With the need spanning across one third of the nation, we are reminded of the importance of TEAM, and how each one is a vitally needed part of the Ministry as a whole. Not only to preach and teach, but to be hands and feet in taking responsibility of finances, buying and distribution. Members who are not normally involved in the practical helps side, are being stretched to carry the 'whatever it takes' to make things happen. We are anticipating an even greater deluge of the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit!

This week we are seeing much on TV about the tragedies of Vanuatu due to massive hurricanes. Huge help is being flown in, we praise God for that. Sadly, the same kind of help has not been forthcoming to Mozambique. Help must come from within the meagre resources of the nation. With the finances we receive, we pay a costly price for food and basics, nothing is cheap here. To distribute takes major effort, driving long distances over terrible roads, looking for a place to pitch an overnight tent in the rain. We count it all joy and an honour to be sent ones. At the same time we see the value of drawing our Bible School Students from across the nation, planting churches throughout the provinces, training up men and women to be key leaders. This way we can touch any area at any given moment of need through the lifeline of the ministry. The day may not be so far away when the entire Body of Christ will connect throughout the whole world through the Bloodline of Jesus Christ, taking responsibility for one another as one family out of many families, one tribe out of many tribes, and one nation out of many nations. We all giving and receiving, depending on one another for help and sustenance from within the Body, as it is not likely to come from the world.

*"For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." Ephesians 3:14,15*

*Our love and thanks to all will already stand with us in this manner,  
Rod & Ellie and all at Afrika wa Yesu*



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### **Luke 4:18**

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, [To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."*

## SO BLESSED TO GIVE—FOOD RELIEF

**LINO:** Our trip was good and the goal was achieved. On March 7th, along with brother Jemusse I we went to Luabo. We caught a ride from Inhaminga in a truck to Marromeu. There we were able to buy the corn meal and carry on to Luabo. We arrived at the church to find that the daughter of the pastor had just miscarried a baby. Still we managed to get things organised and in order as some of the church members came on the river to welcome us and help us with the distribution.

**Refugees at Gorongosa** – Political unrest in some areas has driven some people from their homes. They are living as refugees with no help nor income. While Lino and Team are building Gorongosa wa Yesu Church, they are also ministering to these people.

**JEMUSSE:** Something really touched my heart in a special way during this distribution. The names of the most affected people were on a list to make sure they received, though it is impossible to know every need and to give to everyone. Some of those people on the list said, "I know my name is on the list but there is a family over there who have lost more than me. Their need is greater; please give my share to them." This is something so powerful to me.

**NICKY:** We packed the parcels last night, put them in Chris's car and off to the public ferry transport. We were met at Racine by many people who then carried every sack to the church area. Martinez along with Lucas, Agostinho and Maria handed out the packets to the people (39 houses in all). There were several people there whose houses had fallen after our visit so Martinez will put together a second list of those people. We will attempt to help them as well.

A very good day. The highlight was when Pai Cebola (the oldest member in our church there) danced up to receive his parcel. The people sure loved that.

Thanks for making this all possible. AWY is making a difference, bringing joy and hope where there was none. Praise God.

### **SUSANA: Emergency Relief to Posto Campo**

Team: Simona, Paulo & Susana, Abdul and Others: Didi (former student from Nicoadala wa Yesu)

This trip wouldn't even be possible without the help of Mariano and Pai Rodney! Mariano helped us contacting the local government leaders as well as the pastors. He also went to buy corn, took it to be grinded and helped us buy the rest of the supplies for the trip. Pai Rodney helped us plan, gather the rest of the supplies and he also came to our rescue when our car broke down! Thank you so much!

It was a very hard trip, with so many unexpected challenges and VERY bad roads! 33 km past Caia the car started shaking and we had to stop. We waited for a few hours for pai Rod to come to our rescue! He gave us his car and stayed with Rocha fixing Simo's car enough to take it back to Inhaminga.

On our way from Lualua to Posto Campo we saw about 10 different camps, full of displaced families. Some have over 150 families; others have 60-70 families. So many people lost their homes! We also saw many machambas (fields) growing, some of them soon to bear fruit. That gives us hope for the rest of the year. It might not be what they usually harvest, but it will help them survive.

It is amazing the resilience and endurance of the Mozambican people. People don't give in to despair and hopelessness. We see them working under sun or rain, walking to their new machambas, improving their little hut shelters. In the midst of so much suffering and loss, we still see them smile and laugh and carry on with life!

Some of the camps are in worse conditions than others. There are two on that road that seem to not have received much help. One of them is called Dzolissa and has 66 families living there. We stopped shortly just to ask because we saw the situation there was worse than in the other camps we saw. We asked the Chief at Lualua why and he said there just isn't enough for everyone. He seems like a good and honest man and was very helpful and cooperative with our work there.

As soon as we arrived at Posto Campo we started preparing for distribution. Our goal was to help our church, as it was impossible to help the whole camp. So from the church, there were 19 families and 7 individuals (unmarried youth without children). Each family/individual received: 2 buckets of corn flour; 1 pot, capulanas; seed; 1 hoe; 2 plates; 1 cup; 2 bottles of water purifier.

The church building is on a higher ground and wasn't affected by the flood, though the pastor's house very close to the church was. They said the water rose during the night and they had to grab what they could and go to the church building and other higher areas. One young man from the church was away at Nicoadala when the water rose and wasn't able to save anything from his home. He lost everything! Others were able to rescue their Bible, some clothes, and a few belongings. Nobody lost their lives here, Praise Jesus!

Before distributing the food, we talked to them about God's love, the love of the people who donated money for that food to be purchased, their love for God and for their neighbours. We challenged them to share with others what they received. Not only with their families and other Christians, but also with non-believers. They said they would!

Didi will go back next weekend with people from Nicoadala wa Yesu to visit them again. Thank you for the opportunity of reaching out to these people! We hope to do more, and we are learning as we go!

**ARMANDO:** It's with a grateful heart that I am reporting on how we were able to help people affected by the recent rains and floods. In Nampula Province we identified 3 areas to help, Murrupula, Lingonha and Ribau. The government reported 3000 houses have been destroyed at Ribau District and out of these homes, 39 belong to Afrika Wa Yesu families and we felt led to help the household of God.

**Ribau Help** - Group Target: 39 fallen houses in Ribau District only, corresponding to 39 homeless families and 12 local churches blessed. These houses fell down in January, till today; people were not able to stand up again. There is no good thatch to use for the house roofs, and the plastic roles are the miraculous solution for these 39 families. Glory to Jesus.

20 roles of 50 meters each and these plastic roles, were given each role for 2 families to divide in half, 25 meters each, which is enough for the type of the house people make for their habitation.

*Testimony: I was personally touched by the testimony of Pastor Cardoso, whose house fell down in January 11th, 2015, soon after the rains started. Cardoso, has 7 children under his care and all were displaced, no roof to sleep under. He was very, very happy indeed to receive such help. The plastic roll was what he wanted for a long time, without knowing where would the help, come from! I am very happy to see families being restored under a roof again.*

Thank you, for standing side by side with Mozambican people. May The Lord God, do you good.

## QUELIMANE WA YESU

With so much going on this year as well as building Gorongosa wa Yesu, our church in Quelimane has taken longer than expected re finishing

touches. It has however been in use for some time. Rod returned there to place the plumbing, get the electricity redone as it was not working, and start Manuel and Americo off with painting. We shall soon be sending out a blog with the Gorongosa wa Yesu story...what incredible things God is doing there. Both Quelimane and Gorongosa will be inaugurated in May this year.

## STONES AND PILLARS – ELLIE

Any building that is to stand in the face of flood and torrential rain must be built upon a firm foundation. If it is built of stone, or bricks that have been tried in the fire, and is has strong pillars within the walls, it is not likely to collapse. In Africa, as in many third world nations, houses are too often built upon the sand. Walls and floors are built from mud, wooden poles act as pillars and roofs are of thatch grass. These houses cannot stand the onslaught of storm and devastation.

Spiritually the same principle applies. It is as Jesus says, *“Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall.”* (Matthew 7:24-26)

I love what Peter says about us, the church of Jesus Christ; *“you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.”* (1Peter 2:5)

## The Apostle Peter Knew All About Rock Transformations

There comes a time when a living stone qualifies to be a pillar, upholding other living stones. Certainly Peter knew all about rock transformations.

I also love what Paul said about Peter, James and John, *“and when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, (reputed to be pillars) perceived the grace that had been given to me, they gave me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the Jews.”* (Galatians 2:9) Paul recognized and saw the evidence in these three men as pillars in the church.

## Jesus Promised to Make Us Pillars in the House of God

Jesus gives a promise that He will make us pillars in the House of God, if we overcome and do not give up at the obstacles and persecutions.

*“He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. And I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name.”* (Revelation 3:12)



Ministering to the people at Gorongosa wa Yesu.



The Jo Family load their car with blessings for flood victims.



Emergency relief to Racine Wa Yesu from Nacala Bible School.



Handing out clothes and books.



Food and blankets being distributed at Afrika Wa Yesu churches.



Students pray for one another, encourage one another.



Finishing touches at Quelimane Wa Yesu.



Inhaminga Bible School in Session.



Ministering to local churches in Mopéia District.



It is natural for a successful man or woman to desire a son or daughter to inherit what they have built, and to carry on a family business or farm. We all want fruit that remains and does not shrivel and die after we have moved on. It is the same in ministry, though the heirs are not limited to being natural family, but can be someone in the ministry family. Jesus said, *"You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you."* (John 15:16)

### **Key People Are Not Easy to Find**

Once you believe you've found one, they have to be proved. The correct appearance or references that make them look like the right one do not mean they will fit well enough to unlock the door to the next level. Actually, key people are so hard to find, one needs Holy Spirit direction to locate them.

### **More Than Successors**

While many train up a successor, we are training up those who are more than successors. Key men and women who have been discipled and nurtured in the vision and calling of the ministry. Those who are to not only succeed us, but to multiply what we are doing right now, while we are yet active, (which we believe is for a very long time still). Our desire is to not simply leave an inheritance, but to multiply a living and active inheritance right now through those we train. Therefore there is no 'waiting' to come into a position or inheritance, but an acceleration of the multiplication and promotion that comes with growth. We see how Jesus did this with His disciples, sending them out as the '70' to do multiply what He was doing. They cast out demons and healed the sick as He did; this was a phenomenal thing, breaking into uncharted territory. When He ascended into glory they were left to do it on their own, but it was not new to them, they already had lots of practice.

### **Jesus Released His Disciples to do Miracles Before He Left Them**

We are learning about our Team by watching how they handle the flood relief project. Some have cars and can carry the goods; others are using local transport, buses and bicycles, to carry goods, each one doing what they can according to their equipment and capacity. We note the energy for doing this kind of work. The Mozambican Team are loving helping their own people, It is an amazing thing for them to have us put the money into their hands and say ...'Go ye and help...' They are keeping accounts for everything spent, writing down what they have given where.

We thank God for each member God has connected us with in order to fulfill His commission here in Mozambique.

## **INHAMINGA BIBLE SCHOOL**

After closing the school last year due to unrest continuing after the fighting near campus, we rejoice in seeing a great victory this year. Students are multiplied in number, teachers and team are multiplied in expectation and resolve to take back what was lost. Some of the same students that were sent home have returned. There was some concern that students would be afraid to come to Inhaminga, but they came in greater number than last year. We have 62 students. Praise and thanks to God and thanks to Inhaminga Team who diligently stood firm and determined to put the enemy to shame.

### **Every Day Is More Precious Than Before**

Sometimes we only come to realise just how much we love something when we are about to lose it. What the enemy meant for harm God has turned for good. The level of enthusiasm, unity and courage to seize the moment, seize the day, the entire school term is high! We are violent in seizing the Kingdom of God and manifesting it in our midst. *"And from the days of John the Baptist until the present time, the kingdom of heaven has endured violent assault, and violent men seize it by force"* [as a precious prize--a share in the heavenly kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion]. (Mat 11:12) AMP

**VICTOR WRITES:** I love the Bible school, I love to teach, I love these students, I love the presence of God. What a privilege to be here these days! I am very happy to see what God has done in the lives of each of them and am very hopeful to see their future in Christ.

This class is a big class, 63 students, but nevertheless we managed to cope well with them. Right from the start we have begun to take steps to prevent some problems from happening. I am amazed and excited to see how fast they enter in what is taught. In prayer, praise and worship or in any direction that they are given. I cannot express in words the size of my expectations. I have spent a good time in prayer for each of them, that God will release more of His Spirit upon their lives.

In the second week we had Spiritual Formation week, that was very good. Salvation, deliverance and the outpouring of the Spirit. WONDERFUL. Many had a real encounter with Jesus during these days. The change in their lives after the spiritual formation was visible. Although I felt very tired after this week of teaching, I feel renewed when I'm in the Lord's presence and when I see what the Lord is doing in their lives.

I desire to learn to drive the tractor and the Bigfoot! Thank you for freedom and every job opportunity! When you need I'm ready, just call!

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Victor joined us from Brazil two years ago. His enthusiasm and passion for everything he does brings us much joy and encouragement!

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