

JOSHUA NATIONS

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Joshua Nations Schools

6,751 Schools in 45 Nations, 55 Languages
146,730 Students, 31,598 Graduates

Dear Joshua Nations Partner,

I am writing you from a coffee shop in Chiang Rai, high on the Holy Spirit, and enjoying some much needed caffeine. I must report to you the great things the Lord is doing here. My head is swirling with all the things that have recently happened.

I return from a month of ministry in five nations with great joy and a freshly broken heart over your new Bible Training Centers started, new leaders trained, new graduates, new leaders placed into ministry, and new inroads into the nations. The leaders in the Congo, Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Ghana, Honduras, Thailand and Myanmar wanted to be sure we thank you for your gracious gifts to bless their countries. I tell leaders everywhere we go that their friends in America make it possible for us to come and be a blessing to them. Evelyn McHugh, a dear friend, said it so well, "You are not discipling one at a time, but by groups at a time." What a statement!! This is the season of multiplication, as together, we bring in the harvest of our Lord.

This Month:

Burundi, Congo, Rwanda, Tanzania, Thailand, and Myanmar

God's Ongoing Grace

Upon returning home from Africa and Asia I was very, very tired, but also very joyful over God's hand on my life. I immediately slept for 12 hours straight. Just before I woke up I had a revelatory vision as the Holy Spirit spoke to me these words, "**I want you to multiply yourself in seven ways in these days.**" This assignment will take at least 15-20 more years if Jesus tarries. I want to give every one of these 7,300 days to Him.

I expect to fulfill the Word of the Lord! God wants for all of us to multiply our gifts, our callings and our work for him in this hour. Would you ask the Lord to speak to you about your remaining years of life? David said, "teach me and make known to me the end and the measure of my days to apply my heart unto wisdom." (Psalm 90:12 and Psalm 39:4) This is a **valuable** and **vital** prayer!

Seek the Father for your assignment here on this earth. Then **pray, plot and pursue.**



Pastor Israel (far right) and our "Top Gun" leaders in Congo

The Lord blessed us with 464 graduates in the Congo, Burundi and Rwanda. We also learned that Joshua Nations has Bible Training Centers in the three largest prisons in Burundi, bringing light and hope into a place of darkness and discouragement. In fact, one graduate from the prison began to pastor a church upon his release. Everywhere that **Jim and Pam Behler** and I ministered, there was such a tremendous hunger.

Congo

As we struggled through customs, were taken to our hotel with **Israel**, our JN representative in the Congo, and his seven leaders. As introductions were being made, I was so very grateful to our heavenly Father for having such great leaders for Joshua Nations in this

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Make a joyful shout unto the Lord!!



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dark and often troubled land. God has His people in place all over the world. These leaders endure incredible suffering and difficulties to do what they do for Jesus, and for Joshua Nations.



This timeless photograph shows some of the dear treasures of Burundi.

Our Vision

To disciple the Nations!

Our Mission

- Unbelievers become Believers
- Believers become Disciples
- Disciples become Leaders
- Leaders become Fathers
- Fathers become... Leaders of Leaders

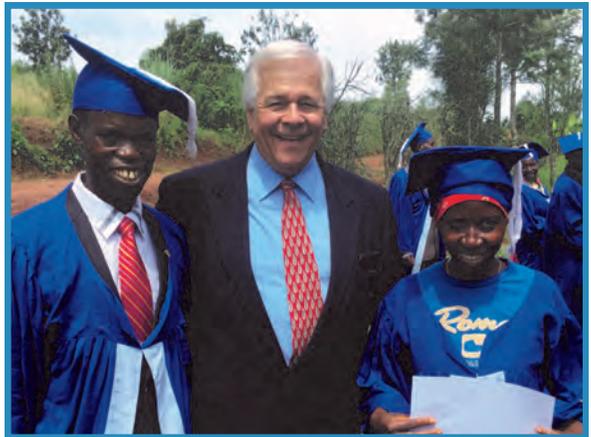
Burundi

As I was coming out of my hotel room in Burundi, there stood a little man. He introduced himself as Aimable, our first Pygmy graduate and pastor. I was blown away; I had no idea! Upon talking to our host, **Bosco**, our JN representative in Burundi, I found out he rides a rented bike sixty-five miles each way, three times a week, to train our Bible training center students. Hearing this turned my heart upside down, and tears flowed as I hugged his little frame. Praise God, someone just bought him a new bicycle! Here is another opportunity to give: we need to buy a copier (\$2,500)

so they can copy the curriculum for additional students.

Rwanda

We have a very busy coordinator for the nations of Congo, Rwanda, and Burundi. **Mezack** makes it possible to graduate 464 students in these three nations. He is translating the Holy Spirit manual (now in its third printing) into Kinyarwanda, Swahili, and French. We were able to outfit him with new reading glasses as well as a modem for his home. He is a valuable person for the Kingdom.



Aimable (left) and his wife pose here Dr. Frase and their diplomas as the first graduates of the Pygmy people.

Bukoba, Tanzania



Dr. Frase conducts a ceremony with nine Akha graduates who are starting new Bible Training Centers.

Jack Gaudin, David Philips and John Baloe just trained 85 leaders, with 60 of them committing to start Bible Training Centers. They also taught in daily conferences drawing people throughout the area.

Thailand

It was a great joy to minister with Pastor George and Cheryl Morrison in teaching sessions with the Akha Bible Institute, and then participate in the graduation. What a time we had with Dr. Aje and Nancy again in Chiang Rai. They are two world class leaders who have gained much "regard and respect" in Thailand, China, Burma, Laos and Vietnam. Seven Joshua Nations graduates are going to start seven additional Bible Training Centers.



Strategy meeting for Myanmar with Dr. Frase, Stephen, and Bobbie Stratman

Myanmar (Burma)

In Burma, we conducted revival services for three nights, and graduated our first 27 students. We ministered in a local church, along with **Stephen**, our Myanmar coordinator. He and **Bobbie Stratman**, our Joshua Nations representative for Southeast Asia, helped set the strategy for the future of four areas of Burma. Bobbie also plans to go to nine more destinations in the region. Stephen's graduation certificate

(pictured below), is one of over 32,000 certificates handed out to graduates of Joshua Nations Bible Schools in the last eight years. I thank God for his goodness and faithfulness through it all.

Divine Appointment

While in Myanmar, I met a Cuban missionary who opened a door for us to go into Mozambique. **Jason Holland** initiated our curriculum being translated into Arabic for training in Egypt, Lebanon, Sudan and possibly Kuwait.

A little time ago a businessman said, "The reason I give to Joshua Nations is that nowhere else can you get such an awesome return on investment, or more bang for the buck." Needless to say I was most gratified by the statement and tend to agree...a lot! This is good soil for your financial seed and Lana and I encourage you to sow into Joshua Nations, for such a time as this.

As I return from six nations already this year, my heart is overwhelmed by God's goodness to Joshua Nations through each of you who faithfully participate monthly and in different ways. May God bless you far above and beyond what you can imagine.

We encourage you to be a part of our team with your prayers, gifts and even by packing a bag and going with us. You can give monthly gifts, one time gifts, or specify gifts for certain projects online at our website, joshuanations.org. You can also mail a check to the address in this newsletter. We invite you to sow into this fertile soil.



Stephen's Bible School Certificate of Completion

2016 Itinerary

April TBA
Pakistan

April 24 - 30
China
Jason Holland

May 1 - 7
Tajikistan
Jason Holland

May TBA
Honduras
Russ Frase

June 1 - 20
Laos, Vietnam,
Thailand
Jack Gaudin

July 12 - 16
Kenya
Jason Holland

September 4 - 17
India
Russ Frase and
Jason Holland

November 5 - 12
Guatemala
Leadership Conference
Russ Frase

November 26 - December 3
Myanmar
Jason Holland

December 4 - 10
Vietnam
Russ Frase and
Jason Holland

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Running the Race,

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