



From Unsaved to Graduate

Three years ago, a Muslim man named Hassan Nakibongochi was approached by a friendly stranger in his hometown in Bungoma county, Kenya. Hassan listened as Harvesters student pastor, Abraham Milimo, began telling him about Jesus Christ. Pastor Abraham was faithfully evangelising in Bungoma, and the Lord had caused these two men to meet. Hassan joyously gave his life to Christ that day.

Pastor Abraham began a discipleship journey with Hassan. "Abraham felt the need to involve the County Leader of Bungoma, Pastor Wenslaus Simiyu, to help him in discipling Hassan to stand strong in faith, bearing in mind his Muslim background," explains Dylan Burgess, Harvesters Country Leader for Kenya. Harvesters Ministries trains pastors not to make converts, but disciples, and these two pastors invested in Hassan's journey.

Using Harvesters materials, they explained to him the foundational disciplines of the faith. "A great transformation

began to happen in the life of Hassan," explains Dylan. The false perception of Jesus that Hassan had from his Islamic teaching was replaced. His personal relationship with one true King grew stronger each day.

A fire had been lit for Hassan. He was so passionate that, after finishing the foundational disciplines classes, he joined a group of Harvesters students who were starting the next module. Hassan went on to successfully complete the full Harvesters curriculum. He celebrated his Harvesters graduation on 27th November 2021, alongside his friend Pastor Abraham.

During his training, Hassan preached the Gospel to others. Through evangelism he has planted two churches in Bungoma county, and he helps other students grow in their faith – as Pastors Abraham and Wenslaus had done for him. One of his students is a former Muslim.

"Please keep him in prayers for what the Lord is doing in his life," asks Dylan. "We praise God for His work in Bungoma County." ✉

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10,000 Bibles in time for Christmas

As 2021 came to a close, nearly ten thousand Mozambicans received the best gift in time for Christmas. **The Word of God.**

Mozambique has been devastated by two cyclones in the last three years. Houses and churches washed away, and precious Bibles were lost. As the Harvesters team travelled around, they saw evidence of the destruction everywhere. Bibles were given to many congregations that no longer have a building but are still faithfully meeting together to worship. Please pray for the many pastors who are still traumatised from the events.

Shona and Portuguese Bibles are difficult to source for the local pastors and are extremely expensive. "In fact," explains Francois Rauch, Global Church Planting Engineer, "it's cheaper to train a pastor than to put a Bible in the hands of a pastor."

Thanks to our partners – Biblica, One Hope and Living Ball – as well as the support of our donors, Harvesters was able to deliver children's ministry materials, evangelism tools and 10,000 Bibles to Mozambique! **In our largest Bible distribution ever**, the team visited 59 churches in 10 days.

DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION

"When you ask the pastors here in Mozambique what's the biggest need for them, they all unanimously say the children's ministry," says Thinus Botha, Regional Director for East Africa. Sixty percent of Mozambique's population are under the age of 24 and are a focus point for the church. One Hope provided teaching materials and will be training children's workers in many Harvesters church plants.

A 'Reach for Life' New Testament for youth, and a fun Living Ball decorated with the Gospel were also handed out. The youth Bible is packed full of extra resources and lessons inside its pages. Plus, the Living Ball is a wonderful tool for evangelism because "sport plays such an important role within the Mozambican culture," explains Thinus.

TRANSMITTING GOOD NEWS

Harvesters also sent 280 Transworld Radios to the northern churches. "The great thing about a Transworld Radio is, of course, it brings only the Good News. So, if you turn it on, you'll get their amazing Gospel content," says Francois. In recent years, northern Mozambique has seen a



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lot of conflict and horrendous ISIS attacks. Pray that these resources will saturate the area with Good News of hope!

"Now we are trusting God for a great impact," declares Thinus. "We can testify that amidst the conflicts and the disruptions, Jesus Christ is building His church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against Him. Great is His faithfulness. Hallelujah! Thank you for your constant prayers and support in this great work." 🙏



When you partner with Harvesters, you're opening the way for the unreached to know Jesus. Thank you for your gifts and prayers!

The Story in Numbers

Ranking on the 2021 list of most persecuted countries in the world

45th



17.6 years

Average age in Mozambique
60% under the age of **24**



Distance travelled

5,000 km

8,736

Bibles carried to Mozambique

Reach for Life New Testament Bibles handed out to **youth**



3,960 SHONA



1,620 PORTUGUESE

Bibles handed out to newly planted churches on the Beira corridor

3,420



5

4x4 vehicles carried all of the materials through borders and difficult roads

Warriors in the team

11



102

Pastors trained to use the *Living Ball* and roll out children's ministry groups

Newly planted churches visited

59



300

Living Balls distributed from Maputo to Beira

Trans World Radios distributed to Nampula to be used with people fleeing ISIS

280



5,317

Bibles from Biblica personally handed out by the Harvesters team

Litres of fuel consumed during the trip

3,517



10,000+

Souls impacted who will never be the same again!



Training under a shelter.



Joseph (teacher and translator of the Luvale curriculum) and Pierre (Harvesters representative among the Luvale people).

A New Language

Harvesters Ministries is working in the depths of Zambia among a hidden people group called the Luvale. Buried in the remotest parts of Zambia and Angola, the Luvale are cut off from modern life. They rarely see outsiders, and they rejoice when Harvesters comes to visit. Joseph has a teaching degree. He has chosen to use that skill and education to assist evangelising the lost and training disciples among the Luvale. As well as translating the classes every few weeks, Joseph is currently undertaking the huge task of translating all the Harvesters materials. We are regularly adding new languages to our materials and now we can proudly count Luvale as one. Shikenu mwane! Welcome! 📧

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