Newsletter Issue: November 2022

www.lmafrica.org

SOUTHERN AFRICA (10 countries)

Lampstands in 4 countries (Angola, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe.) Approx. 1500 saints in the church life in 15 localities. There are many seeking ones gathering in other countries in the region. Please pray that the Lord will strengthen and supply these ones and raise up His testimony for His glory.

Eswatini

No. of saints in church life: 25

Eswatini, formerly named Swaziland, is one of the smallest countries in Africa, with an area of 17 364 km². It is a landlocked country bordered by South Africa and Mozambique.



Praise the Lord for His move in Eswatini! This year we have witnessed that He has been moving swiftly in this country. He has prepared some vessels to contain His blessings. One family from Asia



has migrated to the capital, Mbabane, for work, and this has strengthened the church life. Through the Lord's sovereign arrangement, some students from Eswatini have studied abroad and enjoyed the church life in these places. Some of them have returned to Eswatini after their graduation and are actively participating in the church life.

As a result, the number of saints in the church life has grown from a handful to 25. Among them, 8 -10 saints gather regularly on the Lord's Day although the Lord's Table has not yet been established.

We are also very encouraged by the frequent traffic and blending with the saints from South Africa. In the past few months, the saints from the cities of Pretoria and Nelspruit have visited Eswatini at least 6 times, each time refreshing us with the supply in the Body. We have observed that new ones who attend meetings less frequently are more likely to join the meetings and release their function when the South African saints are visiting. We pray that the Lord would establish the existing saints and release their function gradually by strengthening their life, vision and burden. For His purpose in Eswatini, we hope and pray for more saints to visit Eswatini or even to consider migrating here.





Zambia

No. of localities: 2

No. of saints in church life: 105

No. of saints attending the Table meeting: 41

The church life in Zambia started in 2002 through the saints visiting from South Africa. In the past few months the Lord has intensified His move through the stay of two brothers from Asia who have laboured to shepherd and establish the saints in the following areas –

- 1) The practice of the God-ordained way.
- 2) The practice of the church.
- 3) The universal priesthood, with all the saints serving as priests to preach the truth.
- 4) Establishing home meetings and a church life from house to house.
- 5) Perfecting serving brothers and establishing the serving brothers' fellowship.



The saints have received much perfecting in the above areas in the past few months. Some of them testified that even though they have been in the church life for some time, they have not been trained and have not learned to practise these things.



Through the saints' enjoyment and functioning, there has also been a significant increase in the number of new ones. While about 41 saints gather regularly on the Lord's Day, another 70 seeking ones also participate in the gatherings in the church life. The gatherings take place in the capital city of Lusaka, as well as in Livingstone (which is a border town next to the Victoria Falls, named after the first European explorer to this area, David Livingstone).



Botswana

No table meeting established yet. No. of saints in church life: 20

The church life in Botswana began in 2014. Currently, there are 20 saints enjoying the church life. Five of them have completed two years of the Full-time Training in Pretoria, South Africa. Another sister has just started her first term in August 2022. Through the burden of the Lord the saints in Gaborone, the capital city, have been faithfully endeavouring to practice the God-ordained way. About 15 new ones, including two families, are being shepherded regularly. The Lord has also added some new ones via Israel! At the end of August 2022, 50 Batswana returned from Israel, where they had some contact with the saints. Ten of them are now receiving ministry portions and are open to further contact.

In June this year the saints in Botswana had a blending conference titled "Man in God's Eternal Plan". The Lord richly blessed this time. There were a total of 58 adults and 5 children participating, 27 of whom were gospel contacts. The Lord has also blessed the current translation work of the ministry into the local language Setswana. Currently two booklets have been completed (*The Basic Elements of the Christian Life*, Vol. 1 & 2), and *The All-Inclusive Christ* is being translated. We pray that the Lord will establish a strong, bright and shining lampstand in the city of Gaborone and bring all the new ones into the church life.

