

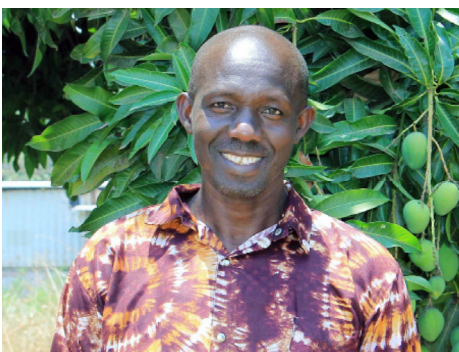


January 2023

Equipping pastors to abide in and feed their congregations from God's Word.

In the latter half of 2022, six new African countries were opened for the Romans Project. In this month's newsletter, we will give you a brief update on the progress the Facilitators of these countries are making, and how God is blessing their efforts.

### Burundi



Leonidas Ntakirutimana

In his role as National Facilitator, Leonidas Ntakirutimana sees the importance of his role in challenging pastors to read the book of Romans 20 times and to write it out word for word. Leonidas shared, "I continue to challenge pastors because studying the Book of Romans grounds them in the Gospel and equips them to pass it on to others with accuracy and power." It is Leonidas' desire that every pastor in all areas would take part in the RP Initial

challenge. As of December, 137 pastors were committed to the Romans Challenge in Burundi.

### Guinea



Pierré Gnouma Leno

At the time of Pierré Gnouma Leno's commissioning as the National Facilitator in November, there were 120 pastors already engaged in the Romans Challenge. As Pierré continues to share the Romans Project with pastors in Guinea, we look forward to hearing more testimonies from those who complete the challenge. This testimony is from a pastor that now sees the necessity of regularly spending time feeding on God's Word in order to effectively pastor his congregation. "This Romans Project gives us a particular concentration for the preparation of messages...and regular contact with God in

order to be able to nourish others spiritually by the Word of God."

### Malawi



Sibusiso Chisi

It was in November that Sibusiso Chisi, the new Malawi National Facilitator, shared the vision of the Romans Project for the first time with members of his own church. Since then, he has presented at two churches and over 30 pastors have accepted the Challenge. January is the opening of the academic year in Malawi, and Sibusiso intends to present the Romans Project in the Universities and Theological Colleges. He reported that he has already received permission from the school administrators.

(continued on side 2)



## Zimbabwe



Lovemore Misiyiwa

In December 2022, National Facilitator Lovemore Misiyiwa shared this in his first report, "December 3 was a memorable day for Romans Project Zimbabwe. We had our first Commissioning Gathering, and we thank God that 20 pastors and four elders came with their completed handwritten copies of the book of Romans." Lovemore thanks God that their first gathering was successful and is glad to be a part of this great work.

were participating in the Romans Challenge. One pastor that has finished the Challenge shared this testimony of how the Romans Challenge impacted him: "I bless the Lord for this Romans program...As a pastor of more than ten years of service, I often miss a message to give to the service, but this Romans program makes that worry go away. Really, this program has been beneficial for my ministry. Now I am more connected to the Word of God."

Program is one of the instruments that will impact the life and ministry of God's servants and their congregation for revival."

*Please pray for each of these National Facilitators as they lead the Romans Project and challenge pastors in their countries to participate. Pray that their own experience of transformation through spending time reading and writing Romans will continue to give them zeal to share the RP with other pastors. Pray that the Lord will bless their efforts as they trust Him with the results.*

## Ivory Coast



Timothé Yameogo

Newly commissioned at the East Africa Gathering in November, National Facilitator Timothé Yameogo has since held two gatherings to introduce pastors to the Romans Challenge and is planning outings to other churches in the region. Timothé has encountered some difficulties, but by God's grace he remains resolute in his commitment to introduce pastors to the RP. He shares, "I am confident that the Roman

## Mali



Caleb Togo

National Facilitator Caleb Togo reported that within the first month of the Romans Project opening in Mali, 32 pastors