

REGISTRATION OF CHURCH WITH GOVERNMENT

In line with our planning strategic objective one, we are processing the registration of the church as a company/non-government organization but not having share capital. This is a legal requirement. Registration is under the name, **Touch Ministries Community Church**. The purpose of registration is to give the church the required legal standing as provided in the law and regulations.

EASTER WEEK

The mission Week was purposed to enable us reach out to communities during the important Christian calendar. Door to door preaching was undertaken that was climaxed with open crusades, evangelism / preaching and deliverance and film shows. Forty-two (42) members and leaders of our church were involved in the mission week program in partnership with other Christian leaders.

A total of **791 people** turned up to Jesus Christ and got delivered in two venues in two separate districts. The theme of the year in our Christian teaching and crusade is, “**Gods Favour.**” Through Mission, the community was being given the message with persuasion for a new attitude to Christ our Lord.

Many people with troubled lives gave their testimonies, they needed Gods healing so they could have joy and peace in their everyday lives. The joy and peace were received through their turning to Christ. The willingness to share life experiences and enthusiasm to turn their lives to Christ in big numbers was humbling. We receive reports of community members visiting their churches to receive salvation



Follow up meeting after Passion Week

CELL MINISTRY

The Cell Ministry is working well and building up among the leaders in their communities. The target is to establish 30 cells by the end of the year. Most outreach activities of the church are operated through the cell groups whose membership comes from the community. The leaders have the challenge to move some distances since the homes are far apart. Movement in the village setting will require supporting leaders with bicycles to facilitate movement from home to home and cell ministry fellowships.

Cell Ministry fellowships are planned and programmed. Membership has continued to grow; attendees learn the word of God and it is followed with bible teaching and preaching church preachers Cell leaders. The working theme at Cell Ministry is, **Love God Serve Many**.

The church through the cell ministry reaches out to its members who are in need. Below an old woman and church member had the roof of her semi-permanent house blown by a storm. Members are slowly raising contributions for materials to support the old woman. Meanwhile, a tarpaulin was secured to support her.



In deed through Touch Ministries we have reached out to many in need and in distress. We have clothed many, provided food supplies, bedding, health care support, housing improvement, provision of cows and goats and hoes, medicine and schooling support etc. This is a show of love and service to the disadvantaged.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH

Meetings have been held, ideas are being shared in order to make successful follow up activities of mission, evangelical work and cell ministry. Activities that are ongoing include;

- Partnership Missions
- Prayer follow ups.

- Youth Interchange Camps and Bible study sessions.
- Radio Evangelism / Preaching. (To resume in June)
- Church Preaching and interchange program.
- Community and family visitation for counselling and guiding.
- Continued formation of Cell Ministries.
- Leadership Coaching, Training and development through discipleship groups.

To achieve the above, a plan of action is being prepared for submission and operationalization. Implementation will be focused on church growth, by reaching out to more people through our vision of having a God believing and fearing community. Entry to the community will continue to be through our Church leaders and Preachers who have created an inviting, welcoming and caring attitude for our people and the community including church members.

Preachers and other staff make visitations to the community to assess and bless the support that people receive from Touch Ministries. This makes the church and Touch Ministries closer to the community This approach will continue to be enhanced for purposes of church belief and growth including church attendance.



FUNCTIONAL ADULT LITERACY

Participants are adult learners who missed out on schooling. The objective is teaching them how to read, write and count well. Basic literacy skills are being taught to them. The target participants are members of cell groups who are also caregivers of sponsored children. We do have some staff members enrolled too When they learn how to write and read, bible teaching and reading will be easy to handle in the cell groups. This program is managed by school teachers as facilitators.

Adult learners are taught life skills and home improvement approaches including hygiene and sanitation for better livelihood in the homes. The first test examination will be conducted next week, to be followed by home visits by other participants to assess the level of family life and how participants are putting the knowledge learnt to practice.

Overall, Spiritual growth, discipleship and leadership growth will continue to be enhanced in our Church activities. Church role in the lives of children is given major focus at Touch Primary School and at the Children's Home through devotions, Bible Studies including Guidance and Counselling. Children will continue to be ministered and guided so they grow as responsible children of God. Children and the Youth are our future in growing the Church.

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