

# The Seeker

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Dear brethren,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. June was a busy month. I had the opportunity to visit with several churches to report and fundraising. Carolyn and I traveled over 1,400 miles in June. We have shipped the 3,000 Luo song books for the brethren in Kenya. We are currently working on printing 3,000 sermon outline books also in Luo. We also sent several hundred BCC lessons, books, tracts and Bibles to Africa. We sent 30 boxes which weighed 900 pounds to 4 different locations. We are also currently printing 3,000 each of the first 3 BCC lesson and test books and 5,000 each of the BCC certificates that we give when our students complete the courses.

We got reports from some of our students and learned that 4 new congregations were established in various parts of Africa in June. We also heard of 23 baptisms and 46 restorations.

One of our distance learning students graduated with his BA in Bible in June. Bro Edward Kakuku who is also the director for the new preacher school in Solwezi, Zambia completed his BA and is now working on his MA.

We plan to ship another large shipment to 10 different locations in Africa before we depart for Africa in August. We have 42 boxes weighing over 1,200 pounds ready to send.

These boxes have text books and library books and books for preacher students. There are several NKJV New Testaments ready to ship. Our thanks to Bro. Jim Waldron who for several years now has given us hundreds of good books each year to ship to the preacher schools in Africa.

In just a few days we will be back in Zambia, Africa where we plan to teach at Zambia School of Preaching in Livingstone for 3 weeks. This year we will be teaching the Parables of Jesus each day Monday through Friday. Our first Gospel meeting will be at Siamafumba where another preacher school is located. The Rock Valley congregation fully supports this school. We are looking for about 2,000 in attendance for the meeting. We will have a graduation on Saturday during the meeting. We have 4 ICOTB students ready to graduate. Our second meeting will be at Misika. Last year we had 1,500 in attendance and hope this year to have even more. For 2 days during this meeting Rusty Stark plans to travel several miles from Misika and conduct another meeting for 2 days while the Misika meeting is going on. The third weekend we are there we plan another Gospel meeting at Ngeweze. One of our ICOTB graduates is located there and he teaches cluster classes for us. There will be 6 ICOTB students graduating while we are there. After the third Gospel meeting Carolyn and I plan to fly to Uganda. Rusty and Laura Stark will remain in Livingstone and finish up at the preacher school and return back to the USA. I plan to teach some classes at East Africa School of Biblical Studies in Busia, Uganda. They have just moved into a new building for the preacher school there. We are hoping to have a short Gospel meeting there. Then Carolyn and I plan to travel to Kalamindi School of

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Preaching in Kenya. We are having another Gospel meeting there and we have 6 of our ICOTB students to graduate. We have raised enough funds to purchase each student who is graduating a new bike.

We have sent relief funds to help brethren who are suffering due to a drought this year. Our thanks to our field representative Earl Alverson, who raised \$2,800.00 for food for these needy brethren in Zambia. We added \$200.00 with these funds and sent \$3,000.00. Later we sent \$2,000.00 more and we hope to take other funds with us to help the hungry people in these areas. We also had a special project to raise funds to purchase a good used truck for the brethren at Zambia School of Biblical Studies. Our thanks to those who helped purchase the truck. The truck is a 2004 Nissan twin cab truck. It is silver. This was a much needed truck for the work there at the school and when we are there we will use it for our work as well. The Lord is blessing our work with good success and good supporters.

Please continue to pray for our work and help us as you can to take the Gospel of Christ "into all the world".

In Christ,  
Ronald D. Gilbert – Director of IBTM

### *Things You Helped to Accomplish*

Baptisms	5,261
Restorations	6,005
Congregations Established	131
Schools of Preaching Begun	4
BCC Students	19,775
ICOTB Students	365
Preachers Graduated	209

### *Internet News*

Ronald D. Gilbert and I live in different states so staff meetings are generally by email or phone. But sometimes there is something that just can't be handled long-distance so in June I drove almost 400 miles to work in Cookeville, TN, for a week. I was there to set up some databases for ICOTB, but I also got to meet some new IBTM teachers at the Crossville Church of Christ, visit some folks at Sequatchie Valley Church of Christ, and spend time with family and friends along the way. But the highlight of the week was enjoying the wonderful hospitality of Ron & Carolyn Gilbert. There are definite perks to visiting friends with a large garden – especially when they know how to cook! Please keep them in your prayers as they travel to Africa soon.

Linda Hill

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**Ronald & Carolyn Gilbert** added books  
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