

## GARY REPORT

### Setting The Captives Free

Last Sunday, I received a call from Caleb who was in Busia, along with John Joey and Raymond, the attorney. You will recall that Busia is where all of this death and tragedy and court action began. And it is now evidenced that after two years, it ends back in Busia as well.

Of the twenty-seven people whom the Bride has had to take to court in order to insure the safety and wellbeing of the Bride members, and now the recent release of those in jail in Nairobi, there remained yet four more pastors in the Busia jail who had not been released. Why were the three Bride brothers in Busia? These four men asked for our forgiveness as well, realizing how sorely wrong they were, and like the others embraced Bride truth. So these three Bride brothers traveled there to speak with them, and two of these remaining four spoke with me on the phone.

The two pastors I spoke with were sincerely repentant of their parts in all of this tragedy. One of them told me that after he was placed in jail, the people in his village were so displeased with him that they came and burned down his home, and today he does not know where his wife and children are. He added that one of the other pastors was crying and could not come to the phone. Caleb, John Joey, and Raymond each spoke with me and concurred that these men were all sincere and should be forgiven, which I did so. As Raymond called it and one of the pastors repeated, this is a "peace effort," and I do believe we will finally find that peace, and hopefully oneness of heart, mind, and purpose.

The timing of this was perfect for several reasons, including the fact that immediately afterwards Raymond left for Nairobi, and on Wednesday was flying to India. Unfortunately, he is traveling there for cancer treatment, a trip that Caleb himself had to make in the past and has been cleared of the cancer. We pray the same for Raymond, who is and has been a great blessing to the Bride in so many ways. I appreciated him the first time I heard his voice, and look forward to seeing him face to face in August. Bless you Raymond in all that takes place in India. You're a good man.

It is amazing how all of this drama and loss which now ended back in Busia, was wrapped up in seemingly perfect sequence and timing, allowing the Bride to begin making plans for the large August meeting when Jim and I return. Of course much work needs to be done to more firmly establish the Bride in Africa. And now they are hoping for two large meetings and not one—one in Rongo and another in northwest Kenya. They want to do this to make it easier for people to travel. And it would not be surprising if another large meeting was held in Nairobi as well, also allowing people from Mombasa to come. We will see.

There is a lot of work that has to be done, and much planning and organization. And most importantly, there should not be any more resistance in Kenya, but oneness of mind and heart and purpose.

In Luke 4:18-19 we read:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the favorable/acceptable year of the Lord."

I cannot help but see the parallel, in so many ways, of that which Yahshua declared, and that which has taken place in Kenya, Africa. The Bride brothers have both literally and spiritually proclaimed release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, and set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the favorable/acceptable year of the Lord. I do believe it is even moreso today that acceptable year—preparing the way for Immanuel, the natural in Africa revealing that which is taking place in the spiritual.

Before I close, I want to provide a report on our progress in paying off the much-needed motor replacement. I am glad to report that we are one-third of the way there, having now paid \$1,000 towards the \$3,000. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated. Of course there are other needs as well, and we look to the Father to meet all of our needs according to His riches in glory.

In much love and appreciation,

Gary

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