



# UPDATES

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## The Pearl of Africa



Dear Partners in Mission,

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

Everything has a beginning and an end. Recently, we finished our six-month orientation in Kenya, where we witnessed first-hand how an African grace organization works, and where we immersed in East African culture. It was a wonderful experience to have served alongside with the locals in the Bible School, churches, and in different ministries. We learned how to be flexible and patient in every aspect as we adjusted to food, language, culture, and how the locals do the ministry. We are thankful for these experiences because we believe that these will help us in our ministry in Uganda. However, we will surely miss the time we had there, as well as the people who became our friends.

Before we left Kenya, the Bible School organized a farewell program for us. There we heard speeches of how our short stay impacted the lives of the people whom we ministered to. It was a wonderful opportunity to realize that by the grace of God we could touch other people's lives in such a short period of time. As they bid us goodbye, we couldn't stop thanking God for seeing us through for six months in Kenya. It was a sad moment leaving our friends behind, but we are encouraged thinking that our temporary separation from them will help further the cause of the gospel in the East African region.



*With the Overseers of GBC Kenya.*



*We spent our last Sunday in Kenya singing "The Goodness of God", some parts in Swahili.*



*Farewell program organized by KGBI and GBC Kenya.*

On August 27, 2022 we arrived safely in Entebbe, Uganda. Pastor Gardner Improso and brother Edmond met us in the airport. Later on that day, the leaders of Abounding Grace Church welcomed us warmly. They were excited meeting us and ministering with us. For them it's a new era of grace ministry in Uganda. We're excited helping them reaching more people with the gospel, planting grace churches, and training leaders. Indeed, the task before us is great. For now, we're strategizing on how we can serve effectively. Roland is starting a class with the leaders and some members of the church, while Beverly is joining Ledith at her Bible study with women.

As we adjust to our new environment and begin our ministry, please include us in your prayers. Right now, we're still looking for an affordable and secure apartment where we can stay. We're thankful for Pastor Gardner and Ledith Improso for allowing us to stay in their apartment for now. Please pray also for our work permit that it might be approved in a timely manner. As we end this letter, we would like to thank you for your partnership with us in doing God's mission. Thank you for praying for us and supporting us.

In His Service,

*Roland and Beverly Improso*

TCM Team East Africa

P.S. If you would like to support us financially, you can send donations to Things to Come Mission designated for Team East Africa.



*Pastor Gardner Improso and brother Edmond picked us at the Entebbe airport.*



*Abounding Grace Church leaders warmly welcomed us.*



*First time preaching in Abounding Grace Church in Uganda*