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New Converts Baptized



Mathew 28:19 *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”.*

Imani Radio is making disciples from the lost and baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. This command that Jesus left to all His followers is the foundation in which Imani is founded.

Despite the month of October having many activities in the calendar of the ministry, baptism still got its share. It was celebrated at the Imani media center where six people who had earlier received Christ were baptized. This came after the completion of the baptism classes that were conducted by the servants of God at the Imani Media Center. The baptism classes were meant to educate those who had accepted Christ on the relevance of baptism as an act of obedience symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior, the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to the believer's faith in the final resurrection of the dead.

The colorful occasion was attended by the friends and relatives of the candidates who had come to witness their beloved undergo the very important rite in their lives. Imani stresses on the importance of baptism in accordance to **Matthew 3:13-17** *“Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.* At the end of the ceremony the Imani Ministries presented bibles to the team to help them grow spiritually.

October Vigil Night

6 Surrender to Christ

“I have never been to such a wonderful *“Kesha.”* These words were uttered at the gate as the crowd walked away from the chapel early in the morning. So swiftly they walked, with songs of praise and gratitude coming out from their lips. The overnight vigil was finally over. Signs, wonders and miracles were the hallmark of the vigil.

The manifestation of the Holy Spirit was evident as the congregants worshipped God in groaning and weeping. It was clear that this time; all past painful experiences were slowly eroded away as the Holy Spirit poured new ones in the lives of God's people.



The theme of *Kesha*, “let your light shine” is drawn from the book of **Mathew 5:16** *“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven”.* This was enough to arouse the audience who had filled the chapel, calling for the urgent expansion of the chapel.

The speaker, Johnston Livechi from Christ is the Way Ministries took the microphone amid cheers of victory from the audience. The expectant audience almost brought everything to a standstill as they welcomed the speaker to the pulpit. The message was packaged with encouragement, teaching and rebuking. He urged all to be a source of the light in accordance to the theme. **John 3:19** *this is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.*

Testimonies of the mighty deeds of the Lord in the lives of people were given and all glory given back to the Almighty God. More than 15 people gave their lives to Christ. The morning was finally here and the people walked away, ready to light the whole world.

Imani Media scoops another Award at the ASK show

Imani Radio and TV Ministries for the second time this year scooped another top award during the North Rift ASK show exhibitions held in Kitale in October. The award entitled Best Stand in Media Services was awarded to Imani media, who had a stand at the showground. Imani Media acquired the victory despite the tough competition from the other media houses that took part in the exhibitions.



The award was presented by the North Rift Chief Administrative Officer of Agriculture, Andrew Tuimur to the Imani Media staff who had camped at the grounds. The ASK officials who were the organizers of the event congratulated Imani Media staff for the stand that had been well organized and presentation of its services. The stand attracted hundreds of viewers and listeners who had come to the show. People from different walks of life expressed their messages of appreciation to the media house for the incredible work the ministry is doing in transforming people's lives through the airwaves.



The stand consisted of the radio, TV and the spiritual sections which sought to meet the objectives of the Ministry. Live broadcasts were done right from the show with the fans having an opportunity to see their favorite presenters. They also had an opportunity to know what happens at the studios as they were free to ask questions concerning the media.

Spiritual nourishment was also not left behind as the fans got an opportunity to hear the good news of Jesus Christ. The servants of God were ready to pray for the people who came to the stand with spiritual needs. The fans also received free spiritual books and Christian tracts and literature.

Speaking upon receiving the award, the marketing head, Margaret Wandera said the victory came as a result of God's favor, the collective responsibility between the ministry and the fans. She also expressed her gratitude to the management for the support that had seen the event become a success. She added that had it not been by the much support that was offered by the management, the victory would not have been acquired.



The Imani Media director congratulated the staff for the absolute dedication they had shown in their work. He expressed his gratitude to the almighty God for the victory. He added that the victory is a clear indication that with unity nothing is impossible. He asked the staff to keep working hard in attaining the goals as he reminded them of continuously trusting in God as they spread the good news of Christ through the media ministry.

The award comes barely less than a year after Imani Radio and TV Ministries were awarded the Broadcaster of the Year Award by the Communications Authority, beating more than one hundred media houses across the country.

THE PRISONS MINISTRY

31 Give Their Lives to Christ!

For the third time this year, Imani visited Kitale prisons with the Good News. When we arrived, we found the inmates sitting quietly on the benches placed inside the prison chapel. Their faces looked dull as if they were mourning. The room was cool but no smiles could be seen. Peeping through the eyes of the prisoners, were tears, ready to drop any time. The prisoners looked weak and one could tell that they were going through a hard time in life. Cheers seemed to be a long-forgotten thing; a commodity too expensive to afford, for the more than a thousand prisoners.



The Imani Ministries staff entered the prison amid dry shouts from the sad-looking prisoners. Guided by Benard, the welfare head in Kitale GK Prison, the members of Imani ministry sat down on the chairs as they were welcomed. The Prison's talent team entertained the crowd as the occasion began with songs and dances. The irony was that the crowd, made up of prisoners responded without much zeal.

Finally it was the time for the visiting team to take over. The introductions were enough to sway away the boredom that had filled the whole place. The renowned presenters and members of the clergy from the Bethel Community Church attracted the prisoners' attention. Those who had been away from the venue drew nearer to listen to see the faces of the owners of the voices they had heard through the Radio for a long time.

The words of encouragement coming from these presenters felt like sweet melodies in the minds and hearts of the inmates. The praise and worship session left the inmates helpless with tears flowing freely down their cheeks.

It appeared as if a new heaven had just been opened for them to pour out their hearts to the one Jesus Christ, who alone could understand the meaning of their tears.

The word was preached by Pastor Alex Wafula; the message was an encouragement from the book of Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners.

Having been well expounded, the lowly inmates gained hope to move on with life, with a clear dream of being set free someday.

By the time the group was leaving the facility, faces had become bright and all could afford a smile. It was all joy with the future looking bright. They could all see a light at the end of the tunnel. With no more worries about their present suffering for the word had made it clear to them that the situation was not permanent. They had all learnt that God was doing all for their own good in conformity with **Romans 8:28** *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.*

The prison mission saw 31 inmates give their lives to Christ with many others prayed for over various needs. It was clear that Jesus is the only hope for them. They all pledged their faithfulness to the true gospel of Christ in their lives.



TESTIMONIES

It is Only by Grace!

There was no hope for the progress of the church. The pressure from the pastor was too much that I could hardly withstand. At some point, I had even considered resignation as a way out of the mess. There was nothing that could give me the worth of being a leader in that church. The guilt itself had become too much for me.

When I had reached the end of my patience; I realized that all my efforts were meaningless without thorough involvement of Christ in the ministry work. That is when I remembered that Imani radio and TV ministries prays for those in anguish such as myself. I had heard testimonies of the mighty deeds of the Lord, through prayers of the God's servants at Imani Ministries.

I called Imani radio and asked for prayers. I trusted upon the Lord that he would make a way. By faith, I planned for a fundraising. I knew that with the Lord, all would go well. I mobilized the members of the church, knowing that they would cooperate. This time round, there was a very strong power pushing me to do more than I had done.

Today, I stand here with a testimony. A testimony of God's doing in my life. The fundraiser was so successful that we bought more than enough chairs. This even scared me; how things become so easy with the Lord's involvement. I know that the Lord is glorified through the ministry now. I am currently praying that the Lord may continue to expand our territories as time goes by. I wish to express my gratitude to Imani Ministries for the good work they are doing in transforming people's lives.

Deacon Vincent of Mukuyu PEFA.

In My Trials, I found Christ

I can remember well the mystery that surrounded my brother's disappearance. It was the worst experience ever in my life. He went missing fifteen years ago.

My family was made up of drunkards; I made a decision to be different. I started going to the nearby church in an attempt to try this God I had heard so much about. In that process, I ended up receiving Christ and currently I am a deacon at my church, leaving my parents and my other siblings in the world.

In the church I got transformed and became a good listener of Imani Radio. That is when I learnt much about the power of prayer. Days went by and at the moment it is fifteen years since he disappeared. My parents just learnt to live without seeing him anymore, though with great pains in their hearts. It was not an easy thing living without him; yet no grave was there to show that he was dead.

Throughout the time, I have kept calling Imani Ministries to ask for numerous prayers always mentioning the one about my brother. I have received answers to the other prayers but my brother's story remains a thing to be. Last week I asked for prayers and mentioned my brother's story among them. To my surprise, the man whom many had believed that he was dead called me yesterday telling me he is missing us after 15 years!

Though I have never come to Imani before, I have every reason for coming to this place now. It is on this altar that the Lord brought back our lost brother. I decided to be counted amongst them that would testify about the doing of the Lord. I want to encourage someone today that despite taking time, the Lord will surely fulfill what you are praying for today. Do not lose hope. Your answered prayer is on the way. *Peter Wamalwa Simiyu from*

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