




FOCUS KENYA



COMMISSION 2021 **CONFERENCE**


THE GOSPEL TRANSFORMING A DYNAMIC WORLD
CONFERENCE HANDBOOK

WHO WE ARE



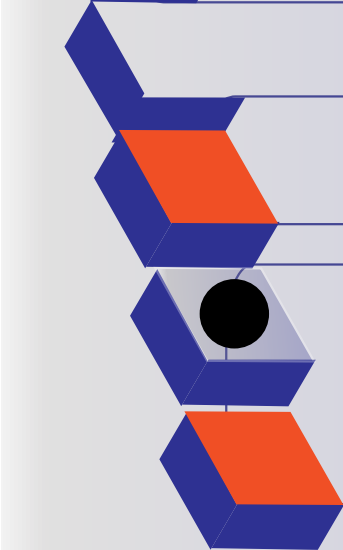
FOCUS is the umbrella body that links and networks Christian Unions in institutions of higher learning in Kenya and Associates (Graduates) involvement in society.

VISION



Christian Students and Associates Impacting the Institutions of Higher Learning, the Church and Society.

MISSION



To Reach and Equip Students in Institutions of Higher Learning and Associates for Effective Christian Living.

OUR CORE VALUES

1

FAITHFULNESS TO THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

We regard faithfulness to the Holy Scriptures as the commitment to the fulfilment of God's will as revealed in His Word in all our aspects of ministry whether in living, teaching, preaching, missions and social responsibility.

2

INTEGRITY

We regard integrity as the consistency of actions, values, methods, measures, principles, expectations and outcomes on the basis of an internal code framework of moral, spiritual or artistic value.

3

EXCELLENCE

We regard excellence as entailing merit, virtue and quality in delivering distinctive results.

4

STUDENT'S CENTRED

We regard student-centered ministry, as putting students first and having them assume a high level of responsibility in the formulation and implementation of student ministry programs.

5

TEAMWORK

We regard teamwork as involving and partnering with people with complementary skills and committed to a common purpose and approach for which they hold themselves mutually accountable.

6

CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION

We regard creativity and innovation as a commitment to remain dynamic, responsive and relevant in our ministry approaches through continuous learning, exploring and employing better and new ways of achieving our ministry goals.



A MOVEMENT

We are **committed** to building:

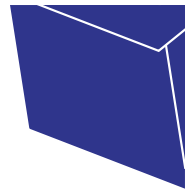
An evangelizing, Bible, missionary, student-led Movement.

A Movement committed to prayer, working primarily in universities and colleges, committed to creative thinking and serving the churches.



**A Movement
transforming
the society**

Reaching Students, Changing Nations



**Social
Transformation**

Discipleship

**4
Strategic
Areas**

**Leadership
Development**

Evangelism

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Mr. Simon Kande

The student movement has had a rich legacy of impact through many centuries across the globe. The impact has ranged from localized revivals to the raising of cross-cultural missionaries. One of the key highlights of the student movement can be traced back to the Moravian revival that not only transformed the locality that the Moravians occupied but went ahead to transform the world through the sending out of missionaries to the world. It is documented that this group of Christians were the very first protestant group to send out missionaries. We must note that one of the key figures Count Zinzendorf, interacted with the Moravians while still a student. Despite his love for theology and the gospel, his familial duties tended to act as a derailment but not forever.

Zinzendorf would later reconnect with the Moravians and they would together be agents of revival and missions to the world. This revival started with the call to prayer. Zinzendorf and the Moravians started a prayer chain that went on to last for 100 years as committed brothers and sisters laboured in prayer, praying for God to increase labourers, cause his gospel to be known across the world and help them live lives that honour him. God, would end up answering these prayers by causing them to have the heart to Go and reach out to the nations.

Hearing of such powerful impactful stories, we cannot help but desire to witness the birth of bigger movements that heed the call of Jesus Christ to take the Gospel to all parts of the world. FOCUS Kenya, exists to reach students and change nations. One of the ways that this happens is through the organisation of Conferences such as the Commission Conference that aims to mobilise Christian students

and graduates for missions. With over 52,000 Christian students being served by FOCUS across Kenya, we believe that Commission conference can serve as a great platform to mobilise these students to be part of the mission of God in every area that they are in.

This passion to be Christ witnesses is to start right from their campuses and spread into the marketplaces, frontiers, government, creation care and all spheres of life. We are more convinced that this mission Conference could not come at a better time seeing that the centre of global Christianity has shifted from the global north to the global south. The ball is indeed on our court and we must arise and be faithful stewards of this great commission.

However, we cannot miss acknowledging that in the last 2 years, there has been a major cultural and ideological shift due to the current COVID pandemic. The traditional means of missions and evangelism have been greatly challenged especially with the insistence of physical distancing. I choose the term physical over social because our social interactions have found a way of continuing despite the distance created by the pandemic. It thus means that we must re-evaluate how we do missions. Our scope must change. We cannot only rely on traditional methods that thrived on physical contacts but we must be willing to compliment them with new modes of doing missions such as the incorporation of digital platforms as tools of sharing the gospel.

Not only are we to incorporate these new platforms but we must also re-engage with how the gospel can come alive in the trends we observe in our modern world. Matters such as Social Justice, Global warming, Gender-Based Violence, Mental Health, LGBTQ, the resurgence of African Traditional Religions among others, must be engaged by the Christians and be seen as areas of mission that God has called us to.

Our desire thus is to not only mobilise but to equip all delegates with the skill of how we can execute the call of God in our lives. This does not stop with the conference. It also extends to the normal operations of FOCUS as envisioned in our 2021 – 2025 Strategic Plan. It is for this reason that I cannot finish without appealing to our graduates, Churches, Parachurch organisations to come and partner with us as we reach out and equip our students to be of impact to the global society.

I also pray that through this Commission, God will specifically speak to each one of us and that the passion for reaching out the lost world will be ignited and through the power of the Holy Spirit, we shall be ready vessels that God will use to advance his Kingdom in the 21st Century.

God bless and welcome to Commission 2021.



Evans Karanja

Commission 2021 Director

Josphine Ndung'u

Commission 2021 Deputy Director

Issa Thuo

Commission 2021 Deputy Director

COMMISSION 2021 DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Hello and welcome to Commission 2021! We are glad you registered and created time to be part of this conference. The Commission 2021 planning team has spent over two years in prayer, consultations and preparation, so that you can experience the power of God through this robust program.

We are therefore hopeful that God will meet your expectations through this virtual conference. Our prayer is that you will be willing to network, be trained and mobilized for the great commission in this conference. We will all have time to step back, learn, pray, listen and discern what God is telling us about our call and place in God's global mission in various ways and forms.

Commission 2021 being our 11th Missions conference since its inception in 1988, its uniqueness lies in the fact that it is a virtual conference owing to the dynamics caused by COVID 19 Pandemic. For the last 33 years, the Lord has used Commission to radically transform the lives of more than 20,400 delegates and to call them to their vocations through which the gospel has been proclaimed to all the nations. As we virtually meet on this conference from different countries of the world, we shall be exploring what it means for each of us in our contexts to respond to the words of Jesus 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.- John 20:21' This being the running motto for the Commission Conferences, it offers a clarion and ongoing call to all delegates in successive generations to faithfully take heed and

obey the Master's call.

Despite the difficulties caused by the pandemic, God opened our eyes to the opportunities of sharing the gospel amidst such difficulties. God's voice was clear that we needed to focus on the Gospel in three distinct ways which form the thrust of this conference: *The Content of the Gospel, The Carriers of the Gospel and The Context of the Gospel*. This year the Lord led us to gather together to study the book of Luke. The program content has been developed through prior study of the book of Luke with colleagues and other partners and the Holy Spirit put it in our hearts from the text that even in such a time, the Gospel must keep transforming this dynamic world. Therefore, the theme for this conference is *"The Gospel Transforming a dynamic World."*

Being a virtual conference, the content has been designed to run for short sessions for the 14 days. This content is divided into six (6) main areas: **3 Bible expositions from the book of Luke; a 22-day Luke challenge devotional for personal study; 7 plenary sessions; 3 missions' panels, 45 seminar sessions over 5 days and continuous prayer engagement.** There will be interactive sessions with speakers/missionary partners after the main sessions and a Commitment forum on the last day.

Our prayer is that you will encounter the power of God in this conference. In His divine way, God will clarify your purpose and call to share the gospel with the world around you and beyond. Keep your eyes, ears and heart open to the message of God in every session. God is at work in the world and we therefore need to join Him in His global mission of transforming the world. Blessings galore!





A BRIEF COMMISSION HISTORY

The first ever FOCUS missions convention was held in 1985 at Rift Valley Institute of Science and Technology (RVIST). Out of this convention, the need for creating a well-coordinated regional forum for missions' awareness, both for mobilization, information sharing, networking and involvement by students, graduates (associates) and churches was born. Theological training was then seen as belonging to those who did not succeed well enough in their secondary education to join more prestigious tertiary institutions. There were few Christians reflecting biblically on African problems, there were hardly any indigenous mission agencies, and giving towards missions was minimal.

On the other hand, there was the reality of the strategic role of students in world missions as agents of change. As David Howard has rightly observed, "when students decide to act, things happen. That is the history of mission. For the missionary movement has a tremendous vitality often sparked by students with a worldwide vision." Throughout history, students have played a critical role in missions whether as career missionaries or through their different professions. It is the above scenario that led FOCUS Kenya to think of a well-coordinated national forum for creating missions awareness, in order to facilitate



mobilization and challenge participants towards mission involvement within and without our context, hence the 'birthing' of Commission Conference(s).

Though Commission initially targeted the then three East African countries (Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania), it has since taken a continental and indeed an international outlook with the last five Commissions (2004, 2008, 2011, 2014 & 2017) having representation from 26, 18, 17 and 13 nationalities respectively. We can only attribute this phenomenal growth to God. We believe, as many other Christians do, that God is a missionary God, and therefore He is the primary actor in moving and expanding His work as long as His people are willing, obedient and cooperative with His leading and prompting.

The name 'Commission' was (and still is) preferred because it points to reflect the Great Commission that the Lord Jesus Christ gave to his disciples in Matthew 28:19.



HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF COMMISSION 2021



Commission 2021 is a virtual conference which unlike physical conferences, you will not enjoy physical interactions. However, this does not mean that you cannot reap the full benefits of such a conference virtually. Here are a few ideas:

- 1. Stable and efficient gadget:** Get the most reliable gadget with good sound, internet connectivity and power to last you through each session. Get good data bundle packages to run through a session.
- 2. Surrounding environment:** Find a comfortable place to sit away, from distractions. This will help you concentrate through the sessions.
- 3. 22-day Luke Challenge:** Starting 1st November, start your day by going through the daily portion of the Luke devotional guide. This is to help you take a reflective missions journey through the book of Luke. Get a friend or someone closest to you to discuss this with.
- 4. Seminars:** These will run on 1st, 3rd, 5th, 8th and 10th November from 7.30pm – 9:00pm (EAT). With a list of 8 -10 seminars to choose from, take time to go through the

synopsis of each and choose the one that gives you the best opportunity to learn. Arm yourself with questions to ask the speaker at the end of the session.

5. **Plenary sessions/Panels:** Log-in at least 5 minutes before the session begins – ensures you sort any technical issues before the session begins. Where possible, you can join up with other registered delegates and listen in as a group. This kills the digital fatigue and gives you a chance to share your reflections after the session. Interact with the synopsis beforehand and get ready for the session.
6. **Interactive sessions:** Make use of the interactive rooms provided to network and meet missions' partners, speakers, other CU members and associates.
7. **Reflection and prayer:** After every session, take time to ponder on the lessons learnt, write on your journal any reflections and commitments. Take time to respond in prayer to God.
8. **Engage with others:** As you learn and enjoy the conference, take time to share with your friends, family, roommates, etc. This will include sharing knowledge with the Christians or the gospel with non-Christians.



22-DAY LUKE CHALLENGE

Read, Reflect, Rejuvenate



This challenge, dubbed, 'The Luke 22 days challenge,' is part of the Virtual Commission 2021 Conference. It is meant to be part of the tripartite missional Scripture engagement program which includes seminars and Bible exposition on the book of Luke. As such, the material to facilitate it is in the format of a hybrid between devotional and Bible study.

The challenge is largely meant to run virtually both on the Fellowship of Christian Unions (FOCUS) Kenya website and mobile phone application. However, individuals and groups of various categories of delegates are allowed to creatively go through the challenge in small groups where possible. It is also important to note that this challenge will be a synchrony to Bible exposition sessions as scheduled. Because of this, every delegate will be required to participate in it.

In terms of the format, the 'Luke 22 days challenge,' will have four parts; Scriptural text portion for the day, brief introductory devotional writeup on the Scriptural text for the day, two reflection questions, and a take home. The Scriptural text portion for the day shall be a selected anchor text for the day from the book of Luke. This Scriptural text will be available on the FOCUS Kenya mobile app and Commission website. For the devotional writeup on the Scriptural

text, the focus will be on a summary of the Bible teaching within that passage, drawing the person using the material to the main points of the passage(s) of study for that day. Reflection questions shall however, focus on the context analysis of the passage (text context and the readers' context -current context) and the key application point of that study. For the take home part, the focus shall be on practical action suggestions for individuals beyond the Study. It shall also provide broader contexts for application of the study. It is our hope that this program will be a platform for each delegate to engage God through His word for transformative missional living.



The Challenge Dates
1st -22nd November 2021

The Devotional Guide will be available in the FOCUS App for Free (Part of Commission 21 package).

Featuring:

Selected Scripture Passages

A Reflective Devotional

A Guiding Question

[Download App](#)



COMMISSION 2021 SUMMARY PROGRAM

Day	Session
Saturday, 30th Oct. 9:00am - 12:00 noon	Launch of Commission 2021/clip Plenary: The Gospel Transforming a Dynamic World
Monday, 1st Nov. 7:30pm - 9:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Art of Witnessing▪ The Gospel and Culture▪ Responding to objections to the gospel▪ Care for the Missionary▪ Winning Spiritual Battles in Missions▪ Ethical issues in Missions▪ Parenting as disciple-making▪ Mental health matters in missions▪ Redeeming marriages▪ Simple living for missions
Wednesday, 3rd Nov. 7:30pm - 9:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Gospel witness in the workplace▪ Gospel Witness through Entrepreneurship▪ Gospel Witness through Agriculture▪ Gospel Witness through Teaching▪ Gospel Witness through ICT▪ Gospel Witness through Science▪ Gospel Witness through Commerce▪ Gospel witness through the legal Profession▪ Gospel Witness through Community Development▪ Gospel Witness through the Health Profession

Day	Session
Friday, 5th Nov. 7:30pm - 9:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Resourcing Missions ▪ Advocacy as a tool for Missions ▪ Ambassadors of Peace: Peacebuilding as Mission ▪ Bible study as a tool for Evangelism ▪ Suffering for the Gospel ▪ Relational evangelism ▪ The Gospel and Music ▪ The Gospel and Performing arts ▪ Dealing with Addictions ▪ Prayer and Missions
Saturday, 6th Nov. 7:30am - 9:00am	<p>Plenary: The Gospel and technological revolution</p> <p>Panel discussion: The Gospel confronting contemporary culture</p>
Monday, 8th Nov. 7:30pm - 9:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Gospel to Gen Zs ▪ Mission to the Children ▪ The Gospel to Muslims ▪ The Gospel to the Chinese ▪ The Gospel to the Least/Unreached peoples ▪ The Gospel to LGBTIQ Community ▪ The Gospel to High School Students ▪ The Gospel to University and College Students ▪ The Gospel to the Cities and urban Centres ▪ The Gospel to Atheists and Skeptics (Questioning)
Wednesday, 10th Nov. 7:30pm - 9:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Church Planting ▪ Digital Missions ▪ Engaging the Gospel across cultures ▪ Taking the Gospel Abroad ▪ Re-imagining CU Annual Missions ▪ New Frontiers in Open Air Crusades ▪ Gospel Witness in the Political Space ▪ Reaching the least reached people groups ▪ Frontier Mobilization ▪ The Gospel to Atheists and Skeptics (Questioning)

1st - 30th November

22 Day Luke Challenge

Time	Fri, 12 th Nov.	Sat, 13 th Nov.	Sun, 14 th Nov.	
8:30am - 9:00am		Sign in/ Music	Sign in/ Music	
9:00am - 11:00am		Prasie and Prayer Exposition 2	Prasie and Prayer Documentary Exposition 3	
11:00am - 11:30am		Interactive Session/ Prayers		
11:30am - 1:00pm		Plenary- Panel Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Gospel Transforming the Campus community The Godpel transforming the Market place 	Plenary: The Gospel and Poverty	
1:00pm - 3:00pm		Lunch Break		
3:00pm - 4:30pm		FREE	Plenary- A faithful witness in a dynamic world Commitment / Commissioning Service Closing Ceremony	
5:00pm - 7:00pm		Introduction Praise & Prayer Exposition	Praise & Prayer Plenary: The Gospel and Environmental Care	

SPEAKER PROFILES



Bible Expositor Rev. Peterson Rukenya

1. Educational Background

Bachelor of Commerce (UON), M.A. in Leadership & Christian Ministry

2. Family

Married to Salome for last 27 years, three children

3. Ministry Profile

Senior Pastor Gracehill Missiin Church, a mission minded church, active in student ministry and in cross cultural missions, currently doing missionary work in South Sudan where many are turning to the Lord.

Also Leader of The Shepherds' Circle (A leadership development ministry to pastors) and Council Chair, Africans to Africa (A2A).

4. Philosophy of Ministry

As a minister, I believe my first calling is to be a faithful disciple of Christ. I prioritize my family as part of my calling.

In ministry, my three greatest passions are teaching—helping people to love, know and apply the Word of God in every area of life; transformational leadership—intentionally raising and mentoring Christ like leaders, and Missions—empowering, mobilizing and leading the Church to share the gospel story better and wider.

Authorship

1. In Pursuit of a Dream
2. Mending the Broken Chain
3. The Priority of Spiritual Disciplines



Opening ceremony Guest Speaker

Canon Prof. Joseph Galgalo

Canon Prof. Joseph Galgalo is an ordained minister of The Anglican Church of Kenya, currently serving as the provincial secretary for mission, strategy, research and linkages. He holds a Bachelor of Divinity Degree from St. Paul's University and a Ph.D in Systematic Theology from the University of Cambridge. Prof. Galgalo has until 2020 served as the Vice-Chancellor of St. Paul's University, Limuru. He is a Theologian, Pastor and a scholar who has thrived well in these fields. He has spoken in various FOCUS forums including in Shahidi Forum, where he presented a paper on Biblical response to Ethnicity.

PLENARY SPEAKERS

The Gospel amidst a Crisis

30th October 2021



Dr. Sammy Wanyonyi

Founder, CEO and Lead Communicator at Shine in the World Ministries (SHINE) and Merge Twin Cities (MERGE) Sammy speaks at gatherings all around the world, from stadiums to University campuses in India and Africa to national gatherings such as Together 2016 at the National Mall in Washington, DC. He is an experienced World Missionary Leader with a proven

track record of effective evangelism leadership and movement mobilization. As a former college professor, he is skilled in adult education, volunteer management, Curriculum Development, Public Speaking, and in diplomatic leadership. Strong media and communication professional with a Doctorate in Global and Contextual Leadership, Master of Divinity, and BA in Cross-Cultural studies. In 2017, he was awarded Bethel University 2017 alumni of the year award for extraordinary contribution to innovative Global Evangelism leadership and church revitalization. He is commonly referred to as “the new Billy Graham” of a globalizing world. In 2016, Sammy launched the Merge initiative in response to America’s changing demographics and the need for the church to love, care, and share the gospel within the pockets of diverse communities. Merge Twin Cities is a local expression of the Merge movement as he rallies hundreds of the Twin Cities churches toward a celebration of the nations and the gospel to be hosted at Allianz Field in 2021

The Gospel in our Digital age

6th November 2021



Mr. Simon Seow

Simon is a creative catalyst and communicator who cares about bringing the unchanging gospel to a changing generation. God has written this burden into his story by making him a creative who likes new ideas. He first experienced this through launching and leading the Creative Communications ministry team in Singapore. He’s married and the shepherd of 3 young adult children. A co-founder of Indigitous, he also serves as a Senior Digital Strategist for the global Cru movement.

The Gospel Transforming the campus

13th November 2021



Mrs. Sarah Bruel

Sarah Bruel is the evangelism training coordinator for IFES Europe and the director for Revive Europe. She previously served as chair of the Lausanne Younger Leaders Gathering (2016).

Included in Christianity Today's "33 Under 33" Christian leaders to watch.

Originally from Brazil, Sarah has worked for IFES in four national movements in the last 16 years (Brazil, Canada, Norway, and Italy) and now works in Europe. She has a Business degree and an MDiv from Regent College. She has recently joined the Lausanne Movement's Board of Directors as its youngest member.

Sarah has planted a vibrant church in Rome, Italy, together with her husband, René. They have two boys: Pietro and Matteo.

The Gospel Transforming the Marketplace

13th November 2021



Mr. George Wachiuri

George Wachiuri is a Kenyan entrepreneur, philanthropist, motivational speaker, lecturer, church elder and family man. He is the Chief Executive Officer of Optiven Group, a leading brand in Kenya that has interests in real estate and hospitality. He is also the Chairman and Trustee of Optiven Foundation, a charity arm that is guided by four pillars namely;

provision of education to needy children, poverty alleviation, promotion of health and environmental protection. He has indefatigably been at the fore-front of empowering Kenyans and Africans in Diaspora, especially to invest in the real estate sector. George Wachiuri is also a family man and a celebrated author of bestselling books; 'Soaring like an Eagle' and 'Unleash your full Potential!'

The Gospel and Environmental Care

13th November 2021



Rev. Edward Brown

Rev. Edward (Ed) Brown is the founding director of Care of Creation and has worked in the field of creation care or Christian environmental stewardship for 20 years. He got his start with Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies, where he served as Chief Operating Officer for five years, having worked prior in a variety of different ministry roles. Ed serves the Lausanne Movement as a Catalyst for Creation Care.

He speaks widely, has authored several books, and is most well-known for his work establishing the Lausanne/WEA Creation Care Network through a Global Campaign for Creation Care and the Gospel which has run from 2012 to the present and has touched people in 150 countries. He is primary editor of the monthly The Pollinator newsletter.

Ed is the author of *Our Father's World: Mobilizing the Church to Care for Creation, When Heaven and Nature Sing*, and numerous articles and several book chapters. He is also the presenter of the seminar "Our Father's World: Why Christians Should Care about the Environmental Crisis. He has the B.A. from Gordon College (Wenham MA), M. Div. from Gordon Conwell Seminary (South Hamilton, Massachusetts), Doctor of Divinity (honorary) from the Acts Academy of Higher Education, Bangalore India, and is an Honorary Fellow with the Nelson Institute of Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison Wisconsin.

Ed and his wife Susanna, who was also a child of missionaries in Pakistan, live in Madison, Wisconsin and are the parents of four grown children (a son and three daughters).

Dr. Isaac Kalua Green is an Environmentalist and Entrepreneur. A passionate Rural Development Practitioner and ardent entrepreneur in vast areas for over 30 years. He is the Founder and Chairperson of Green Africa Foundation, an organization that was founded in the year 2000 that champions for Sustainable Development in Africa.

Dr. Kalua Green also serves as a Trustee of The International Leadership University and The Natural Resource Forum (NAREF) an Umbrella body for the

Natural Capital Sector in Kenya under the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA). He Chairs the Environment and Sustainability and The Motorcycle Sub Sector Committee of Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM).

Because of his persistence in matters of Sustainable Development, The Presidents of the Republic of Kenya have on different occasions honored him with Prestigious



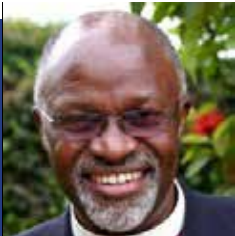
Dr. Isaac Kalua

National Awards such as The Chief of the Order of the Burning Spear (CBS), Order of The Moran of the Burning Spear (MBS) and also The Head of State Commendation (HSC). He was appointed as the Founder Chairperson of Kenya Water Towers Agency, a State Corporation that coordinates the conservation of Water Towers where he served a full term of six years.

Ultimately, Dr. Kalua Green is profoundly intentional about his life philosophy of working towards Kindness to human beings, safeguarding Sustainable Livelihoods, and Passionate Environmental Conservation. Dr. Kalua Green is a Christian married to Susan Cherotich and blessed with three children David Kiseko, Michelle Ndunge, and Joy Musyawa.

The Gospel and Poverty

14th November 2021



Bsp. Zac Niringiye

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Zac Niringiye is a theologian, pastor, Bible teacher, organizational development consultant and a peace and social justice activist. He took an early retirement from his work as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Kampala in 2012 to focus his energies on the work of peace and social-political justice in Uganda. Prior to that, he was Regional Director of the Church Mission Society's work in Africa and spent 20 years of ministry among students in Uganda and all over English- and Portuguese-speaking Africa. He is now a

Fellow in the Faculty of Social Sciences at Uganda Christian University, leading a project on Religion, Culture and Public life.

Dr Niringiye holds an honours Physics degree from Makerere University, a Masters degree in Theology from Wheaton College, USA, and a PhD in Theology and Mission History from Edinburgh University. He has written widely on theology, leadership and mission. He has also been instrumental in the founding of many organisations and ministries, including: the Evangelical Fellowship of Uganda, Kampala Evangelical School of Theology (KEST), Aclaim Africa (a leading leadership and management consulting firm) and Relate Communications, the publishers of Relate magazine. He is also a marriage and family life Counsellor. Born in Bufumbira, Kisoro District, Bishop Zac is married to Theodora, an HIV/AIDS, trauma, marriage and family counsellor with Relate Communications and Wakisa Ministries,

Niringiye is a senior fellow with INTERFACE, a think tank that addresses how socialization around religion and culture has affected the way we view and engage with ideas, among other things, in the public square.

The Faithful Witness in a dynamic world

14th November 2021



Bsp. Calisto Odede

Bishop Calisto Odede is the presiding Bishop of the Christ is the Answer Ministries (CITAM), a position he assumed after serving as the senior pastor of Nairobi Baptist Church. He graduated from Kenyatta University (Kenya), Trinity International University (USA) and Bethany International University (Singapore). He worked with the Fellowship of Christian Unions (FOCUS) for 13 years. This included pioneering and directing the Commission Conference, which is currently a major students

Missions Conference in Africa. He then served with the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (IFES), covering the Eastern and the Horn of Africa in the English and Portuguese Speaking Africa. Rev. Odede has travelled to many countries conducting Bible Exposition and leadership training, and has been a featured speaker at numerous conferences and missions conventions, including being a Bible expositor at the Lausanne III Congress, Capetown 2010, Keswick Convention (UK), New Horizon (Northern Ireland) and Urbana Missions Convention (USA), among many others. Calisto and his wife, Elizabeth, have three sons: Victor, Benson and Michael.



PANELS

Date	Panel	Objectives	Panelists
6th November 2021	The Gospel confronting the Contemporary culture	<i>This panel will primarily seek to address the contemporary issues in the following key areas</i> 1. Religious freedoms 2. Sexual revolution 3. Societal injustices and violence	1. Dr. Mary Thamari 2. Mr. John Gathuku 3. Rev. David Kuria Mr. Elly Ndiao- Moderator
13th November 2021	The Gospel Transforming the Campus	1. Testimonies from years of evangelism on campus 2. Challenges experienced in evangelism on campus 3. Practical strategies for effective on campus evangelism	Mr. Cephas Ndegwa Mr. Collins Omondi Ms. Ruby Wangechi Mrs. Pauline Obonyo-K'olam - Moderator

Date	Panel	Objectives	Panelists
13th November 2021	The Gospel Transforming the Marketplace	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How can Christian see their lives in the market place as part of God's mission? 2. What opportunities does the marketplace provide for the gospel and how can Christians make most of them? 3. How can we use our professions to being societal transformation as part of God's mission? 4. What are some of the challenges of a Christian in the market place and how can we surmount them? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mrs. Bernice Gachegu 2. Mr. Gabriel Ndeng'eri 3. Mrs. Ann Mbugua <p>Rev. Purity Murungi - Moderator</p>



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COMMISSION 2021 SEMINAR SUMMARY PROGRAM

Category 1: Discipleship for Mission.

Monday 1st November 2021, 7:30-9:00pm EAT

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Mr. Brian Lee	The Art of Witnessing
Rev. Lucas Owako	The Gospel and Culture
Mr. Kevin Mureithi	Responding to objections to the gospel
Pastor Lucy Kega - Njau	Care for the Missionary
Pastor David Ndegerege	Winning Spiritual Battles in Missions
Dr. Wole Adegbile	Ethical issues in Missions
Mr. Benson and Mrs. Monicah Otemba	Parenting as disciple-making
Christine Rarieya	Mental health matters in missions
Dr. Stanley Mukolwe	Redeeming marriages
Joy Muya	Simple living for missions

Category 2: Vocation and mission.

Wednesday 3rd November 2021, 7:30-9:00pm EAT

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Dr. Joshua Wathanga	Gospel witness in the workplace
Mr. Matthew Rohrs	Gospel Witness through Entrepreneurship
Dr. Raphael Kinoti	Gospel Witness through Agriculture
Mwalimu Michael Gachohi	Gospel Witness through Teaching
Mr. Isaya Opondo	Gospel Witness through ICT
Prof. Timothy Wachira	Gospel Witness through Science
Pastor Joe Alando	Gospel Witness through Commerce

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Mr. Kamonjo Kiburi	Gospel witness through the legal Profession
Mr. Jeremiah Nyaga	Gospel Witness through Community Development
Dr. Jeff Mailu	Gospel Witness through the Health Profession

Category 3: Support and Strategies for Mission

Friday, 5th November 2021, 7:30-9:00pm EAT

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Nicholas Mumo	Resourcing Missions
Dr. Linda Ocholla	Advocacy as a tool for Missions
Rev. Geoffrey Njenga	Ambassadors of Peace: Peacebuilding as Mission
Mr. Evans Karanja	Bible study as a tool for Evangelism
Africa Services	Suffering for the Gospel
Mr. Victor Otieno	Relational evangelism
Mr. Reuben Kigame	The Gospel and Music
Antony Ndiema	The Gospel and Performing arts
Rev Marvin Kokoyo	Dealing with Addictions
Rev. John Ndegwa	Prayer and Missions

Category 4: The Gospel to specific groups

Monday, 8th November 2021, 7:30-9:00pm EAT

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Rev. Silas Owiti	The Gospel to Gen Zs
Rev. Paul Machira	Mission to the Children
Bethany International	The Gospel to Muslims
Pastor Ern Woay	The Gospel to the Chinese

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Dr. Rueben Nzuki	The Gospel to the Least/Unreached peoples
Mr. Ernest Wamboye	The Gospel to LGBTIQ Community
Mrs. Judy Koech	The Gospel to High School Students
Mr. Simon Kande	The Gospel to University and College Students
AEE	The Gospel to the Cities and urban Centres
Bill Dindi	The Gospel to Atheists and Skeptics (Questioning)

Category 5: Gospel to the ends of the world

Wednesday, 10th November 2021, 7:30-9:00pm EAT

SPEAKER	SEMINAR TITLE
Rev. Mike Muthengi	Church Planting
Mr. Simon Seow	Digital Missions
Mr. Sam Ngugi	Engaging the Gospel across cultures
Hottensiah Kimori	Taking the Gospel Abroad
Rev. Joseph Kamau	Re-imagining CU Annual Missions
Michael Pierce	New Frontiers in Open Air Crusades
Rev. Dr. Richard Mutura	Gospel Witness in the Political Space
Life Ministry	Reaching the least reached people groups
Taylor Jolley	Frontier Mobilization



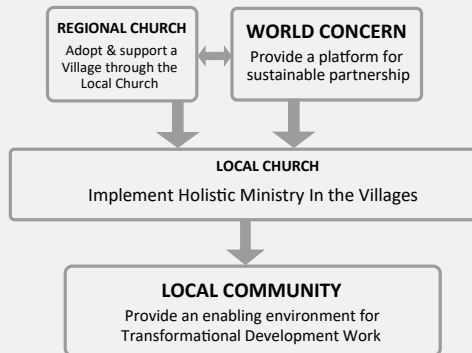
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CFM PROGRAMS

1. Kingdom Eye Training

This is a training and Mobilization tool for empowering the Church and individuals to be passionate on missions to the unreached and Muslims people. The course will help Christians to respond spiritually, socially, economically and politically to the growth of other faiths. It has 15 lessons, offered for 5 days at a cost of 3,500/= per person. Food and accommodation excluded. It can either be done physically and virtually.

2. Christmas Child Program

Christmas Child program aims on giving a smile to vulnerable & marginalized children in North Eastern, Tana River, Sosoma in Kitui county and Witeremere slums in Nyeri County during Christmas. The program intends to make 1,500 children from these areas smile during Christmas celebrations, they are given gifts worth 2,500 per child that include a Bible, a school bag, stationary, solar lamp, lunch box and motivational books especially for teens. They also play games, watch a film and share a meal.

3. Mission Conference

CFM together with some partners are planning for a mission conference in 2021, the four tier Conference will target the denominational Church Leaders, Senior Church leaders, Professionals and Business persons, and Missions champions. The conference intends to share results of a research carried out on growth of other faiths and the Church response.

4. Daniel Field Training Program

Daniel training is a mission field training program targeting the professionals and business people living and working among the unreached people groups. The aim of project Daniel is to empower and capacity build the professionals and business people with skills and strategies to reach the unreached people groups and Muslims in their circles.

OPPORTUNITIES OF PARTNERSHIP INCLUDE

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1. Hear God's word and develop a deep passion for the lost world
2. Hear God's call to specific areas of mission and make a written commitment to be involved after the conference
3. Get exposed to a diverse range of mission opportunities and will thus commit time, money, prayers and other resources towards missions
4. Network with various missions' agencies and practitioners for mentorship and involvement after the conference.
5. Desire to undertake further training, academic or otherwise, in the area of missions.

Commission 2021 follow up is a plan to keep you reminded of the lessons, networks and commitments that you will make during this conference. In order to do this, the Commission planning team has put the following plans in place:

1. **Commitment form:** A commitment form has been prepared for you to write what you're feeling God leading you to during this conference. Click on the link prepared and fill out the details. After the conference, the follow up team will write to you regarding your commitment periodically.
2. **Evangelistic bible study guide:** An EBS guide will be launched during the conference and offered to the delegates as a tool to enable you reach out to those closest to you with the gospel. Make a point of accessing this on the FOCUS Kenya app available on the Google playstore.
3. **Communication:** You will receive a follow up email from time to time with some of the conference content to remind you of the value lessons that you learnt as well as call you to be involved.
4. **South Sudan Mission initiative:** As a commission 2021 follow up initiative, FOCUS Kenya will launch a mission initiative into South Sudan in partnership with FOCUS South Sudan. With the launch done at commission 2021, you will be called upon to support the initiative from time to time.
5. **Opportunities for missions':** The follow up team will seek opportunities

for involvement among the commission partners. Such opportunities will be availed to all the delegates for consideration. You can link with such partners in the conference via the adverts in this booklet or during interactive sessions. FOCUS Kenya will launch a short term cross-cultural missions program to enable at least 50 students to participate annually.

6. **Further training:** Commission 2021 will be a start of capacity building in missions. After the conference, there will be available opportunities for students, graduates and church members in the areas of Muslim evangelism, digital evangelism, cross-cultural missions, missions' mobilization, public theology and many more. Some of these will be organized by FOCUS Kenya, while others will be through partnership with the existing partners.
7. **Bible study:** The 22-Luke Challenge is designed in such a way that it will continue after the conference. Make it your devotional guide for the month of November. At the start of 2022, FOCUS Kenya will be working on a missions bible study guide based on the book of Luke. Be on the look-out for it and adopt it as a commission follow up material for you CU, church group, home cell or bible study group.
8. **Support for missions:** As a delegate, you can be involved in support missions through prayers, finances or material support. You will receive communication in this regard from time to time. May you support God's work cheerfully.
9. **Feedback to the Commission desk:** As you engage in God's work, we would love to hear your testimonies and experiences. Also, if you will have any questions or would be seeking specific opportunities to be involved. You can do all this by writing to us via: commission@focuskenya.org.

As you attend this conference and after, always be reminded of this:

"...and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his [Jesus] name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things." Luke 24:47-48



COMMISSION 2021 COMMITMENT FORM

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(Tick as it applies to you)

- I responded to the altar call and gave my life to Jesus/re-dedicated my life to Jesus
- As a carrier of the Gospel, I commit to live a life consistent with the Gospel

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(Tick as it applies to you)

- I will invite my non-Christian friends/family to a bible study using FOCUS EBS guide
- I will share the gospel with at least one person every month

I will serve in ministry or in cross-cultural setting for:

- Short-term:** less than or utmost one year
- Mid-term:** between one to two years
- Long term:** more than two years

From the various sessions, I sense God calling me to engage in:

- Muslim evangelism
- Frontier missions mobilization
- Digital missions
- School ministries (select one): 1. Primary schools 2. High schools
- Other specific areas of ministry (indicate): _____
- I will regularly pray and intercede for the global Church's involvement in world missions

I will financially support:

- The South Sudan Mission initiative
 - FOCUS Kenya ministry Fund
 - A mission agency/organization (state the name): _____
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For any of the above, please state: Ksh. _____

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