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Dear Friends,

It is a joy to experience God working things for good for those who love Him. Picking up from the last newsletter sent out in June, we are grateful for the many blessings of God we have enjoyed. Your prayers and support are bearing fruit.



June

Discipleship: We continue to do follow-up discipleship with those who were baptized, and we support them as they start discipleship groups with their family and friends.

Christian Camping International (CCI) Leadership Development: CCI is making its way to Sierra Leone and TE staff and many other partners in ministry benefited from their three-day training for leaders or potential leaders of Christian Camps.



July



Equipping: 4th of July the long awaited 20-foot shipping container was offloaded, and we spent the month sorting and distributing the treasures

(Education Resources). Those who came to the storage unit to select items were like grateful kids in the candy shop. We are so grateful for the valuable resources. The content distributed from the container will be useful in so many ways including: saving souls, educating the next generation, organizing supplies, keeping people warm and clothed, making clothes, making music, having food, having fun, and medical treatment.



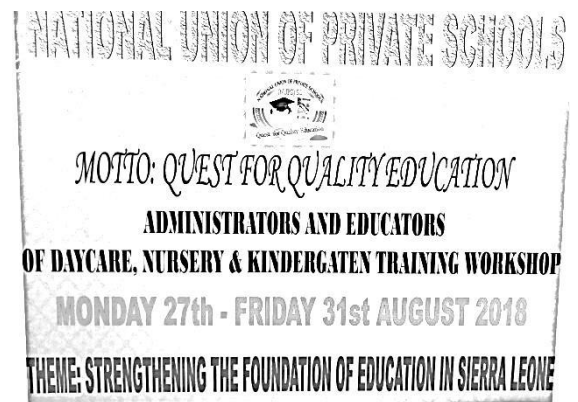
August

Four Fields: Jesus and Paul's strategy for Kingdom Growth was trained with the help of three foreigners. Since the training, I continue to follow-up to encourage and disciple the 45 participants. Some of them stay connected via a WhatsApp group (social media). We have been encouraged as six of the WhatsApp members from various parts of Sierra Leone have posted baptism pictures of those, who for the first time, made the choice to live as transformed child in God's Kingdom. They have accepted Christ's forgiveness and repented from sinful ways to obedience to Christ. Now they are being disciplined to make disciples.



TE's Kingdom Growth goal is to strengthen and equip disciples to start and establish Discipleship Groups that mature disciples who generously do the same in obedience to God and for His glory.

Strengthening Educators with National Union of Private Schools (NUPS) which has recently formed to unite various private school organizations. It was a joy, and honor for Transformation Education to be part of their first Teacher Trainings. Freetown's week-long training included 70 educators, including the proprietors, school leaders and the early childhood teachers. Other



trainers included leaders from Orthodox Christian College, Fourah Bay College, and American Montessori Leadership Academy.



September

Respecting, in loving memory the Life and Death of **Desmond Kallon**, a recent TE staff member. Desmond was one of TE's phonics teachers and volunteer coordinator. September 7th, 2018, he died. Desmond was gentle, respectful and fun. He suffered from sickle cell.



Obey Completely was the theme for Church Day Camp

hosted three days the week before school reopened. Ten young adults led 36 children in enjoyable, character building activities including, drama, Bible quiz, music performance, arts and games.



Introductory Biblical Based Curriculum, Phonics and Teaching Methodology training was conducted by Gwen and Terry Ortman at National Union of Private School (NUPS) teacher trainings, in Lungi and Bo, which are outside of Freetown.



Terry also encouraged many as he trained Character Education Games, led school Assemblies and engaged the children as they came to use the TE Resource Centre.

Looking Forward with Hope and Trust in God – Prayers Appreciated

October and November activities include planning and packing to close the TE Resource Centre (TERC) at the end of November, when our rent contract is over. There is sadness in closing this chapter of Transformation Education. The TE Resource Centre has been a haven for many for studying, learning, playing, computing, counseling, Christian understanding, planning. An average of 70 people per day would find joy in TE's tight courters on 36 Sanders St.

If someone else wanted to come manage that project it would be worth it, yet with the current staff and resources available we have hope that our plans will have a wider and deeper impact, than the activities we offered at the Resource Centre.

****Transformation Education envisions nations with sustainable, profitably productive, safe, clean and joyful communities where everyone continually matures with excellence in God's love and in skills.**

In keeping with our vision, as we shift our attention from the TE Resource Centre, we plan that our main activities will be as follows.

1. Discipling Christian Disciples: To strengthen and equip disciples to start and establish Discipleship Groups that mature disciples who generously do the same in obedience to God and for His glory

2. Training:

A. Teachers in Phonics/Language Arts, Biblical Character Education, Classroom and Behavior Management, Blooms Taxonomy, Teaching and Learning Methods...and other topics that will produce quality education.

B. Discipling Making and Bible Studies



Prayer Points:

1. TE Resource Centre beneficiaries to work together and discover other ways to provide, education and moral support in the communities.
2. **May those who were teacher trained and disciplined implement, and may their students and disciples learn and implement.... TRANSFORMATION**
3. Prayer for all staff, associates and supporters.
4. Love and not exploitation!
5. Beloved of Desmond and Blessing who are dealing with the death of beloved family members.
6. Transition, wisdom and provisions for the next meeting and office space for TE, also for God honoring future impact.
7. Safe housing, food and mentorship for many vulnerable youths.



Abraham Bangura's Story

Thanks be to God for the opportunity to learn how to make disciples using Three Circles and 4-1-1 Disciple Making Training.

Twenty years ago, I used to study Arabic at the Mosque with my friend Abdulraman. Since the time I became a Christian, in secondary school, I frequently talked with Abdulraman about Christ. He would always argue that God did not give birth to a child, so Christ cannot be His Son. Several times over the years Abdulraman said, "I would rather die than to receive Christ as my Lord and personal Savior."

I prayed for Abdulraman as Paul prayed for Israelites, as recorded in Romans 10:1 "With all my heart I long for the people of Israel to be saved. I pray to God for them."

One time, Miss Gwen shared the Three Circles with the staff members at the Resource Centre, I had a desire to share it with Abdulraman.

When I shared, it seemed to bring a clarity to him that *God did something for us that humans cannot do for ourselves*. "We have been made holy by what God wanted. We have been made holy because Jesus Christ offered His body once and for all time." Hebrews 10:10 NIRV.

Abdulraman came to understand that there are two types of people in the world, those who have accepted God's perfect plan and those who are living in outside the will of God. He decided to accept Jesus in his life and he wanted to learn more about the Bible.

Remembering the principles that I learned from Four Fields I encouraged him to invite other people to join us studying God's Word. His entire family is Muslim, and we want to reach them with the Gospel. One of his sisters is now joining the discipleship group. Abdulrahman is helping to teach. We are developing Abdulrahman to lead this group and we are developing members of this group to start groups in their own neighborhood.



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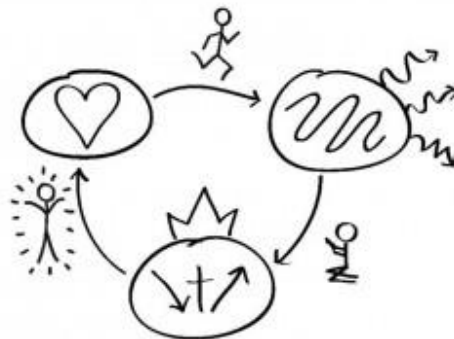
GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS AND GOD'S ETERNAL KINGDOM

1. God's Perfect Plan- God's Kingdom
(Gen. 1:31a, Romans 14:17, I John 4:16, Matt. 5:48)

Qualities for people in the Kingdom of God

- **Children of God:** (John 1:12)
- **New Creation:** (2Cor. 5:17, Luke 3:8)
- **Eternity:** (Heb. 5:8-9)
- **Holy Spirit:** (Eph. 1:13, John 14:26)

2. Sin Entered
(Gen. 3:17, Rom. 5:12)



3. Broken World (Rom. 1:28)

4. God offered restoration, forgiveness, love and deliverance from sin's consequences (Heb. 9:22, Rom. 6:23)

5. God came and showed us how to love and live. (2 Cor. 5:15)

6. He died on the cross to pay for our sins, but three days later he rose from the dead to show he has power over death and sin. (2 Cor. 5:17)

❖ **There are two types of people in the world.**

- 1. Those who are in the Brokenness or those who are in God's Kingdom.**
- 2. Everyone is welcome and able to join God's Kingdom when they believe, confess, and repent.**
 - **Believe/Confess:** (Romans 10:9)
 - **Repent:** (Mark 1:15) (Luke 13:5)