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THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it. Prov 10:22

2005 was a year of great contrasts. There were Blessings from the Lord and trials from Satan. Let's me describe for you what this year was like.

Last winter we lost contact with our missionary in Kenya, Pastor William Ray Ombui. In February we found that he was in the hospital for more than a month and died in of Tuberculosis in January. He was a missionary with GO since 1992.

The Church called Joshua Otwori to be their Pastor. He was a member and the director of Missions for the Church under Pastor Ombui. He was also in the first graduating class of the Bible Institute we set up in 2000. *He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. Ps 126:6*

In June we had a visit from Pastor Didi our missionary in Nigeria since 1990. He was having meetings here in the States to raise funds for a building program. We had previously been dealing with the problem of the Pentecostal movement all around him in Logos and were having problems with some of the Church members there. *Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend. Prov 27:17* Pastor Didi left for home encouraged and with a strong resolve to keep preaching and teaching the truth.

In July we receive word that Pastor Ombui's 5 children and 5 other orphans from the Church in Kenya would not be able to return to school if they could not raise the funds. We at GO took our \$1250 emergency funds and sent it

immediately. They need \$300 per child per year for their education. Their Church in the bush in Kenya sacrificed and raised \$400 by themselves, and when my children, Melissa and Daniel heard their need they agreed to take money from their savings for college and send it to the children there. With your help we were able to get all the children back in school. Please start praying with us for next years school Tuition's.

In August my father's health began to decline greatly, I will give you more details later in the letter.

In September Pastor Joshua's son was mugged in the city of Kisii and had to be hospitalized for a short time. He will be alright.

In November our office heating unite started shutting down. We were told that pressure was building up in the system and could have exploded. The Lord certainly protected us. We had to finance the \$7500 for the new system because we didn't have that kind of money on hand, that means GO needs an extra \$125 a month in operating expenses.

In 2005, the Lord has blessed with nearly 3,200 souls saved and Satan has tried to hinder the ministry in many different ways. We have seen again that although trials may befall us the Lord is still in control. Pray for us as we work to lay up treasures in heaven for the Lord's glory.

SOME THINGS WERE DELAYED

This year we were able to start work on a Mission Web Site with the address www.goitrc.org which should be completed early 2006.

We began putting **The CATHOLICISM EXPLAINED NEW TESTAMENT** on Disc to make reprinting less costly, and to make it available for computer use. This project should be finished in 2006 and is still in need of \$ 3000 before we will have enough to print the **CENT**.

The **QUESTIONS MOST FREQUENTLY ASKED ABOUT ROMAN CATHOLICISM** booklet and Pastor Ombui's Testimony *A Priest From Africa*, have been translated into Spanish and should be available in 2006. I should be finished writing **The QUESTIONS MOST FREQUENTLY ASKED 2** booklet in 2006.

We are revising our booklet **CATHOLIC DOCTRINE AND THE BIBLE**, approximately 100 pages filled with quotations from Roman Catholicism about their own doctrines. This booklet will give you lots of information on dealing with Catholicism from a Scriptural point of view. It should be available in 2006.

These are all large projects taking thousands of hours of work each, please pray that the three of us here in the office (Ray, Sandy and I) will be able to complete them in spite of the hindrances the devil keeps throwing our way.

THE FAMILY'S HEALTH

Late in August my father Henry began feeling very fatigued and having great difficulty walking, he is now 81 years old. It was not unusual to have Mom call in the evening or at midnight asking for help getting Dad up from the floor. They are only 3 miles away so I would often stay until the early morning to make sure they were alright. By October Dad, who hates hospitals, asked to go to the emergency room. They found that his muscles were not working properly because most of the potassium in his body had been depleted somehow.

While in hospital that first week in October, Dad had a stroke. He has been in the Rehabilitation Center since Oct 28 and his progress has been up and down. After work here at GO I'll pick up Mom to go visit Dad for a few hours. Often, I'll bring Mom home to eat dinner with us to make sure she eats a good

meal every day. Mom sometimes forgets about eating because of the Alzheimer's.

This has been much of my schedule since early September; please pray that Dad's condition will improve. And that we will be able to bring him home soon, at least for Christmas.

The migraine headaches I have are holding at about three a month, they use to be twice or more a week. Praise the Lord for little blessings.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Many have had trouble contacting us by E-Mail at our old address, the current E-Mail address is: goitrc@hotmail.com . Our office number is 864 895 0333.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ! Pastor Joshua's son to recover completely
- ! GO Kenya Mission to continue to grow
- ! Tuition 2006 for the 10 children in Kenya
- ! Finances for the new GO heating unit
- ! WWW.goitrc.org website to be completed
- ! THE CATHOLICISM EXPLAINED NEW TESTAMENT to be reprinted
- ! Finishing and printing our writing projects
- ! Mom and Dad's health
- ! My daughter, Melissa will be going to college at Bob Jones University in 2006
- ! The possibility that I can begin travel and preaching in a limited way, this summer

CONCLUSION

Thank you all so much for your faithful prayers and support over this past year. It has indeed be a very busy year, one in which Satan has tried to hinder but the Lord has certainly blessed. May the Lord bless you in this coming year.

**HAVE A
MERRY CHRISTMAS**