



First Evangelistic Outreach in Türkiye

In May, the Lord opened the door for us to conduct our first evangelistic outreaches in Türkiye. Yes, you read that right. In 2022, the country formerly known as Turkey officially changed the name and spelling of their country. Türkiye is a modern Islamic country that sits at the crossroads of Europe and Asia. While the majority of Türkiye's landmass is in Asia, a small portion of the country is in Europe. The majority of Türkiye's population, around 99%, identifies as Muslim. Our European outreach coordinator was invited to Türkiye two years ago by local Christian Turkish pastors to lead a discipleship conference. Several people were saved and baptized at those meetings. Last year when I was flying through Istanbul airport on my way to the country of Georgia, our coordinator arranged for me to meet with some of the Turkish pastors. Plans were set in motion for me to come in May of this year for an evangelistic outreach. After months of struggling to find a venue that would agree to let us conduct our evangelistic meetings, a good location was finally secured. We partnered with several small Christian churches in and around Istanbul for a weekend of evangelistic services. Church members invited unsaved family, friends and coworkers. The Turkish pastors and church members did a tremendous job. Several people accepted Christ and a number of others gained a new openness to learn more about the Christian faith.





Crusades Continue in Tanzania

As I write this update, we have just finished our second crusade of this outreach to Tanzania and are driving back from the crusade venue to the town where I will sleep. I have been doing evangelistic crusades for ten years in Tanzania where we have now conducted over 40 evangelistic crusades. The two crusades I just finished were in the towns of Nkome and Nyakanazi. Nkome is a small remote fishing town on the shores of Lake Victoria. We drove an hour and a half each way to the crusade venue every day on gravel roads so horrible that we cracked the windshield of the rental car in five places in four days. However, the Lord blessed our perseverance and 1,621 people publicly accepted Christ as their Savior in Nkome. This week, although the road to Nyakanazi was much better because the town is adjacent to a major road that many large trucks use to carry cargo in and out of Tanzania to other neighboring countries, the drive was still about an hour and a half each way. Many times the places we are conducting crusades are so remote that there is no suitable place for me to sleep and eat, an inconvenience which

requires me to commute to the crusade venue every day. We had good local pastors and church participation in Nyakanazi and good crowds at the meetings. We praise the Lord that 1,647 people were saved during the Nyakanazi crusade.



Family Conference in Tanzania

Because my ministry schedule in late April and early May got changed, I ended up with a week of free time between the crusades in Mongolia and the outreach in Türkiye. Rather than just resting in Romania, I flew to Tanzania and conducted a family conference for 50 Tanzanian couples. As the conference theme was built around God being the Architect of the family, I taught on God's design for marriage, for family, for husbands, and for wives.



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