

NYAMIRA COUNTY MISSIONAL REPORT HELD ON 12TH TO 19TH OF AUGUST 2024 BY GLOBAL OUTREACH MISSION.

INTRODUCTION

Global Outreach Missions (GOM) is an interdenominational Christian ministry based in Kenya, dedicated to fulfilling the Great Commission. With a vision of “Reaching the Church to Reach the World,” GOM aims to enhance the church’s ability to engage in global outreach effectively. Established in 2005, GOM emerged as an outreach initiative of Deliverance Church Thika, founded in response to a divine calling received by Bishop Dr. Kennedy Mwangi Mbatia. The Lord inspired Bishop Mbatia to build a house of living bricks, as described in 1 Peter 2:4-5. Under the leadership of Bishop Dr. Kennedy Mbatia, the ministry focuses on empowering churches and expanding their reach to impact the world.

Nyamira Mission Background

The journey to Nyamira County commenced at the end of the first quarter of the year 2024, following Bishop Dr. Kennedy Mbatia's divine instructions to focus on both the highlands of Nyamira and the desert plains of Marsabit for outreach missions this year. Initially, the plan was to conduct both missions simultaneously. However, the humanitarian lead proposed rescheduling the Marsabit mission to a later date to allow more time for resource mobilization. This proposal was approved by the secretariat, and thus, major efforts were concentrated on the Nyamira County outreach mission. The budget for both missions was set at approximately Sh. 15,319,000 (\$117,800).

Nyamira County is a county in the former Nyanza Province of Kenya. It was formerly part of Kisii County when Kisii County was a district, and is sometimes called North Kisii County. It is one of the counties in the Lake region economic cluster. During the initial assessment, the team doing the ground work successfully toured all sub-counties and identified potential centers to host the missionaries. The following primary centers were selected for focus within the five constituencies:

- Nyamira South: Town Center
- Nyamira North: Ekerenyo and Ikonge
- Masaba North: Keroka Town and its annex, Nyasiongo in Borabu
- Manga: Kemera and Manga Town

In collaboration with the Nyamira County Clergy Fellowship, the team conducted a spiritual mapping and found that the county is predominantly SDA (Seventh-day Adventist). They also noted a gap in pastoral fellowship due to inconsistencies in their gatherings. Given the region's coverage and logistical considerations, the groundwork team recommended deploying approximately 800 to 1,000 missionaries across the six identified centers. Each missionary was required to register with a commitment fee of Sh. 500.



Pastors Conference

In alignment with GOM's vision of empowering the church to reach the world, the groundwork team organized pre-mission pastors' conferences on July 17th and 18th, held in Nyamira and Keroka Town, respectively. Bishop Dr. Kennedy Mbatia addressed the pastors at both locations, encouraging them to embrace God's call and sharing the vision and mission of GOM. This established a collaborative foundation for planning Operation Mavuno, scheduled for August 12th to 19th, 2024.

Attendance at the conferences was somewhat lower than anticipated. In Nyamira, 76 pastors from Kibirigo, Kemera, Ikonge, Ekerenyo, Manga, and Nyamira attended. In Keroka, 53 pastors from Keroka Town and Nyasiongo in Borabu constituency participated. The conferences aimed to empower the pastors to continue their ministry and to provide an opportunity to demonstrate the Kingdom of God and the saving grace of Christ, which is central to the GOM mission.

Missioners Training

On August 3rd, GOM hosted a missioners training at Deliverance Church Thika Central. The training was open not only to registered missioners but also to all interested participants. The objective was to equip and prepare missioners for the Nyamira mission.

The training was conducted by Share Word Global using the Grid Evangelism method and included two learning sessions led by their facilitators, followed by an afternoon session conducted by GOM that focused on task team preparations. The Chief Coordinator provided a

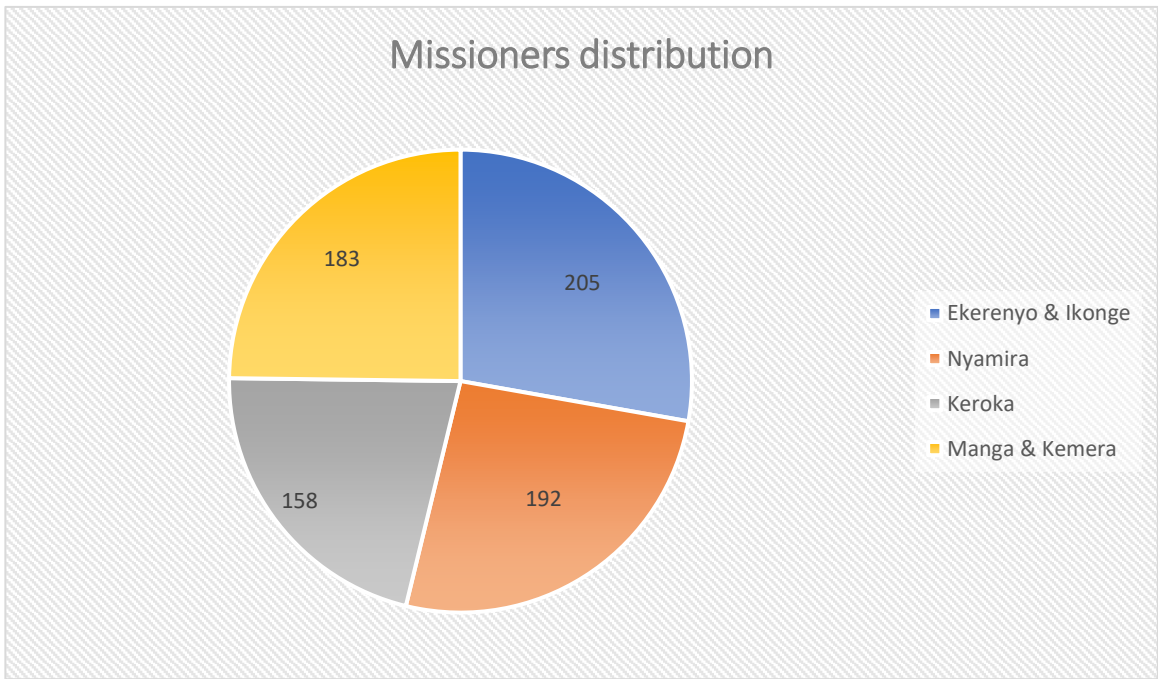
briefing on the expectations and requirements for the mission, and the Director delivered the final remarks. The training session saw an attendance of 130 missionaries. More to this we received a report of trainings that were done across GOM network and training done for the local missionaries in some of the centers like Manga and Kemera.

Prayer Week and Kesha

The Prayer Week for the Nyamira-Marsabit mission took place from July 22nd to July 26th, 2024, culminating in a vigil night. Approximately 100 Christians gathered for the final vigil at Deliverance Church Thika. In addition to this central event, prayers and vigil nights were also held across various GOM networks, including in Chemolingot.

Mission attendance and allocations per center.

A total of 751 missionaries were registered from different centers and they were well distributed into four main centers as per the accommodation.



The 751 missionaries came from different GOM networks across the country and the table below highlights numbers of missionaries from a single network/location.

Region/Network	Number of missionaries
Bulimbo	54
Bungoma	51
Chemolingot	60

Embu	43
Kimilili/ Chwele	47
Kirinyaga	12
Kitui West	59
Kyuso, Mwingi	67
Loikitoktok	11
Marsabit	6
Mogotio	23
Nakuru	13
Nandi Hills	16
Nyahururu	12
Skataa	17
Thika and its environs	241
Ugunja	17
Others	2
Total	751

Mission week daily reports

Majority of the missionaries arrived at their different stations from 5pm on 12th of August to late midnight. The following morning all coordinators took charge of their respective centers and were introduced to the local missionaries who were to play key roles in helping the GOM missionaries to navigate through different localities. Missioners were divided in groups of three or four and being send out thus the fulfillment of the great commission.

	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
People Reached	3,943	6,275	6,773	6,286	3,236	2,325	28,838
Souls Saved	912	1,903	2,026	1,607	475	347	7,270

Statistics per center

	People	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
Nyamira	Reached	880	1,328	1,485	1,806	890	300	6,729
	Saved	213	326	399	444	188	39	1,609
Ekerenyo	Reached	512	877	908	843	559	230	3,929
	Saved	70	289	293	217	90	66	1,025
Ikonge	Reached	280	779	985	504	487	300	3,929
	Saved	81	284	333	109	50	36	1,025
Manga	Reached	690	1,122	874	975	465	395	4,521
	Saved	104	343	220	187	68	32	953
Kemera	Reached	951	1,161	1,132	886	435	800	5,365

Keroka	Saved	235	467	393	288	75	157	1,575
	Reached	630	968	1349	1,272	400	300	4,919
	Saved	213	264	388	362	4	18	1,245

Thanksgiving Kesha & Mission Retreat

Following the successful Nyamira outreach mission, a thanksgiving vigil night was held on August 30, 2024, at Deliverance Church Thika Central. The event brought together 130 attendees who gathered to express their gratitude and celebrate the achievements of the mission.

The evening was marked by a profound atmosphere of praise and thanksgiving. Attendees engaged in spirited worship, shared personal testimonies, and offered heartfelt prayers, creating a collective sense of joy and appreciation. The vigil night provided an opportunity for the community to reflect on the mission's impact, acknowledging the support and guidance that made the outreach successful. The gathering was a testament to the shared faith and commitment of all involved, and it underscored the significance of coming together to honor and thank God for the mission's fruitful outcomes.

On September 7, 2024, the final event in the roadmap of the Nyamira mission was conducted—a comprehensive retreat that brought together key stakeholders. This retreat was a significant occasion, marking the culmination of our mission efforts and providing an opportunity for reflection, planning, and team-building.

The retreat was attended by various task team members, coordinators, the secretariat, and directors of GOM. This diverse group engaged in a day full of collaborative activities and discussions aimed at reviewing the mission's achievements and strategizing for future endeavors. Detailed presentations and discussions were held to assess the outcomes of the Nyamira mission, highlighting successes, challenges, and lessons learned.

Overall, the retreat successfully provided a platform for all involved to unite, celebrate the achievements of the Nyamira mission, and lay the groundwork for future initiatives. The event was instrumental in reinforcing the shared goals and enhancing the collective vision for GOM's continued impact.

Challenges

1. Logistics challenge with the bus driver and the coordinator of Kimilili team. They ended up spending more on fuel contrary to the amount advised of.
2. Not registered missionaries showing up on the first day.
3. Purchase of foodstuffs in Nyamira was quite expensive.

Recommendations

1. Purchase of foodstuff to be done before the mission kickoff – Catering department
2. Have a single account in every social media platform for global outreach events and updates rather than having multiple accounts e.g. YouTube – Media department.
3. Have better training of missionaries from diaspora.
4. Conduct a training for all GOM ambassadors for a better understanding of what they are required of as point men.
5. The teams from diaspora to be fueling the bus or contribute to hiring the bus in order to take the task as a personal responsibilities – Logistics team.
6. Conduct professional cocktails more often for a continued way of involving professional and business holders into the Global vision – Professionals.
7. All coordinators should go through training before taking responsibilities of a mission center.