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Multiplying Disciple Makers

Success With Partners

It is no overstatement to say that iTEE Global wouldn't exist without BEE World. The BEE (Biblical Education by Extension) movement started as a partnership of 12 mission organizations in July 1979. Some well-known organizations like the Slavic Gospel Association, Campus Crusade for Christ, Operation Mobilization, and the Navigators came together to address the problem of a lack of pastoral training in communist Eastern Europe. Dr. George Law (President of iTEE Global) helped launch this partnership of mission agencies. The founding BEE board meeting occurred in his living room in Vienna, Austria in July 1979.



Under the leadership of BEE International's president, Dr. Joseph Dillow, BEE expanded into other parts of the World. By the early 1990s, the BEE movement delivered discipleship training to the closed countries of China, Vietnam, Myanmar, and Nepal. In 1995, BEE World started in Dallas, TX, and expanded the original Biblical Education by Extension mandate from just Eastern Europe to include the rest of the World.

Dr. Dillow's vision was to use the Internet to do biblical training in restricted access regions of the world. In the early 2000s, Dr. George Law and Tom and Debbie Wood served with BEE World to develop a curriculum and an online Internet training platform called Internet Biblical Seminary. However, a focus on mastering the new technology was needed.

In 2014, the BEE World leadership encouraged Dr. Law to launch a new ministry using the Internet as a central component of the training process. BEE World supported the new start-up mission by releasing staff to start this new venture. BEE World also provided curriculum and technology available free of charge to iTEE Global.

iTEE Global began in June 2014. Since then, BEE World has continued working with iTEE Global staff on curriculum sharing and jointly cooperating on the translations of precious biblical study materials.

Under the leadership of BEE World's president, David Semmelbeck, they continue to make significant contributions to iTEE Global's ministry. iTEE Global also blessed the BEE World ministry by training some of its trainers, making digital resources available, conducting joint training in various countries, and making courses that iTEE Global created available worldwide.

Both ministries share a common DNA as we both desire to see pastoral training multiply worldwide. Just as BEE World and the BEE movement began through partnership, that sense of serving together permeates the iTEE Global/BEE World partnership. We look forward to seeing how God will use our continued collaboration to continue the work of pastoral training that began 44 years ago and continues to strengthen and broaden globally today!

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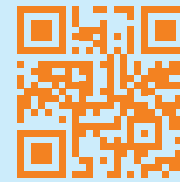
News at iTEE Global

New Website

iTEE Global has a new website with new features; see it at <https://iteeg.org>

Tenth Year Anniversary!

iTEE Global will celebrate its 10-year anniversary in 2024. Dates and venues to be announced



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God's Heart For The Nations: Zambia



Country of Zambia

The Republic of Zambia is a landlocked country in south-central Africa with a population of approx. 20 million. By 2050, the population is predicted to triple. Formerly called Northern Rhodesia, Zambia gained its independence in 1964. While it is

Africa's second-largest copper producer, it is also one of the poorest nations in the world. Christianity is the major religion. Other religions are Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, and Baha'i, that make up 4.5 % of the population.



But God

How would God multiply disciple-makers in Zambia during Covid-19? The answer was online education! The grace of God and the availability of iTEE Global's teaching staff made that possible. The following year, over 80 students started taking courses online. Our Zambian leaders sensed God's direction and began ministering regionally led by trained and motivated Zambian nationals. Our dedicated Zambian brothers realized that God was with them; they made training available to blind, disabled, and poor pastoral leaders in Zambia.

Three years after that initial training, Zambian leaders have used the Internet and face-to-face training to serve over 300 pastors and church leaders. Much of this growth happened during the pandemic and in one of the poorest nations in the world.

Who would have guessed that Fegas Kaumba, a tailor when he met Dr. Law in 2004, would someday be the director for training pastoral leaders throughout Zambia?

The first time Dr. George Law traveled to Lusaka, Zambia, in 2004, he met pastoral Christian leaders. Fegas Kaumba was among those looking for Bible training for their ministries. Fegas later became the leader of iTEE Global in Zambia. However, it wasn't until 10 years later that iTEE Global started in 2014.

Sixteen years after that first visit, the iTEE Global ministry launched in Zambia. It wasn't until God brought together a three-way partnership for this ministry in February 2020. Six volunteers from a church in West Chicago, Jubilee Training Center in Ndola, Zambia, and iTEE Global prepared for face-to-face training of Zambian pastoral leaders. From this partnership, 29 pastoral leaders received face-to-face training.

A Picture of Amazing Grace



From a student to a facilitator to the iTEE Global in-country Coordinator in Zambia, Fegas Kaumba's story is a picture of amazing grace. He has studied English and Music. He speaks four other Zambian languages. He has worked and volunteered previously with Awana and other Christian organizations.

Fegas has been a follower of Jesus for a long time. Through his involvement in ministry, he has traveled to South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe, DR Congo, Namibia, Mozambique, and Malawi.

As a young man in Zambia, Fegas was a tailor by trade. In 2004, he met Dr. George Law. His initial contact with Dr. Law helped build a trusted relationship to this day. Each time George came to Zambia, Fegas assisted him, connecting him with pastors and church leaders in the country.



Growing in a Learning Community

Fegas completed courses and attended workshops. Later he organized sessions for others as well, because of what he learned about God's grace. For much of his life, Fegas didn't understand what grace was all about. Although he studied the scriptures, to him it was only theory. Truly transformed, Fegas became a facilitator himself. He took the Transformational Teaching course and is able to share God's amazing grace with others. During his studies, he began to practice what he learned. He understood the importance of a learning community. This affected all his relationships. His growth is evident. Through the learning community, assumptions are dropped, and students become responsible and accountable to each other.



iTEE Global is very accessible to almost anyone. Fegas points out, "Tuition costs for Project Nehemiah workshops or for iTEE University courses are very reduced. Many pastors and church leaders were not able to receive biblical training before due to financial constraints, or geographical or social limitations. As far as I know, iTEE Global is perhaps one of only a few institutions that has embraced teaching people living with disabilities – especially those with visual impairments. We have two cohorts of blind and disabled pastoral leaders. My prayer is that God provides more grace and resources for such achievements to continue."

Transformed by grace, Fegas Kaumba is quick to praise God and mention, "There is a lot of discipleship and transformation happening in Zambia, that I have never seen before."

Partner in Zambia



Equipped to Equip is a Christian ministry registered in 2023 and based in Zambia. It is a national organization serving as a representative of iTEE Global in Zambia. For continuity and sustainability, iTEE Global works with national organizations that can continue the work of making disciple-makers in other countries.

Since its inception in Zambia, several leaders have joined ETE: Fegas Kaumba, the National Director, Pastor Ngoma Wozifera, the Vice Director, Sister Bridget Phiri, the Secretary. There is also a Treasurer, a Communication Manager, and several Advisers.

ETE has appointed 12 regional leaders, from 4 provinces in Zambia. Plans are underway to sign partnership agreements with these regional branches in the near future.

Training of Christian Women in Zambia

iTEE Global in Zambia has recently started to focus on training women leaders. Recently, several women attended the Project Nehemiah training, with an emphasis on pastors' wives and other Christian women in leadership. Five of these women leaders will also attend BEE World training, focusing on the Training of Trainers.



New Website! <https://iteeg.org>

October Ministry Opportunities

Global Trainers

Biblically train students online and in-person. Will travel at least once/year.

Executive Administrator

Provides administrative support to the iTEE Global ministry to accomplish its mission.

VP of Educational Development

The VP of Educational Development is a manager/leader who oversees and directs all efforts to develop the educational resources essential for providing access to Biblical education globally.

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Recent Trip to Zambia

In April 2023, two iTEE Global facilitators traveled to Zambia. Jeromy Puckett and Ben Watson were able to plan with and encourage the Zambian leadership team. They also joined these Zambian leaders to train 30 new facilitators in the city of Kabwe. Facilitators learned how to teach like Jesus taught by using dialogue instead of just lecturing to their students.

These things in themselves would declare the mission trip a great success, but what stands out the most about this trip relates to blindness. This was the first time Ben Watson, one of our senior trainers who is blind, was able to work with Pastor Ray, who is also blind. Ben had such joy participating in Ray's cohort of blind students. Additionally, he facilitated three lessons from the course, Spiritual Leaders, that he wrote.

Reminiscent of the song Amazing Grace. They may be blind, but praise God, they are seeing how to multiply disciple-makers.

Prayer Points

Please join us in prayer for:

- Facilitators and students in persecuted areas in Myanmar, Pakistan, and India.
- Successful partnerships with organizations and churches, locally and internationally.
- God to bless and protect iTEE Global donors and their families.
- iTEE University students, to be encouraged, and complete their work.

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