

# Nieuwsbrief September 2023

# Laptop for an Entire Classroom!

In collaboration with the Netherlands-based Hand Foundation, we had the privilege of donating a laptop to a school in Nigeria. This initiative was carried out in partnership with our local affiliate, the Hoop Voor Leven Afrika Foundation (HVLA). In the photos below, you can see Dachuge (HVLA) handing over the laptop to the teacher. This teacher has a background in IT and is eager to impart computer skills to his students using this laptop. Computer literacy will empower these students and enable them to apply for office jobs in the city later in life. The school is called Winners International College Guchwue, located in Jos, Plateau State.



Visit their website: https://www.hoopvoorlevenafrika.com/





#### **ICCM-Africa 2023**

From March 29th to April 1st, we hosted the annual ICCM-Africa conference in Ruiru near Nairobi, Kenya. We welcomed several new participants, including those from French-speaking Africa. The spiritual aspect of the conference was led by Rev. Albert Alobo (also involved with ACSO, see the next page). As in previous years, there were two deaf participants who attended the conference with the assistance of two sign language interpreters.



Due to Ruben's absence following the birth of his daughter Samantha, the preparations for the conference started later than usual, resulting in a slightly lower number of participants (including presenters) compared to previous years. Nevertheless, the conference was a success, and we established new contacts for future projects.

## **Collaboration with Teens Impact Africa**

For some time now, we have been collaborating on projects with Teens Impact Africa, an organization in Kenya dedicated to supporting teenagers. During Ruben's recent visit to Kenya, he joined forces with Simon (founder of Teens Impact Africa) to formalize this partnership. The aim of this collaboration is to mutually benefit both organizations. KingdomIT will provide IT-related support, while Teens Impact Africa will contribute at their level and within their capabilities. We will start by offering IT training to teenagers, equipping them with computer skills that will help them secure job opportunities as a productive way to spend their time, thus preventing involvement in criminal activities.



#### **Office Building**

Teens Impact Africa's office building will serve as our training center for the foreseeable future and also serve as our local KingdomIT office. From this location, we will distribute KingdomIT Boxes, and Simon will assist us in establishing local connections. We have invested in a reliable fiber-optic connection, allowing us to conduct remote training sessions from the Netherlands. We also plan to train Teens Impact Africa personnel in the use of the KingdomIT Box, enabling them to provide local training and support. Additionally, they will assist us in identifying new projects and opportunities and promoting the KingdomIT Box.

#### Computerlab

Through this collaboration, we also aspire to establish a small computer lab within Teens Impact Africa's facility. This will provide teenagers with the opportunity to do their homework after school and further develop their skills through our training programs.

#### **Two Projects**

During Ruben's visit, he met with both Simon and Moffat, both of whom have plans for a Hope Center. These projects align with KingdomIT's interests, and we are keen to explore ways we can assist, such as building a computer lab or offering training. Here are their stories:

## Moffat with Agape Child Support

Moffat is involved with a Kenyan organization called Agape Child Support Organization, located in Mungatsi in Busia County, Kenya. This interdenominational organization focuses on the physical, cognitive, social, emotional, and spiritual development of children through various programs. For more information, please visit their website: www.agapechildsupport.org.



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The plot in Mungatsi where the center will be built.

Moffat mentioned

mentioned that they are engaged in several projects, including well construction, sewing classes, agriculture, and more, to support the local community in livelihood and talent development. ACSO recently acquired land in Mungatsi Village to build a Hope Center for their activities and to provide training and employment opportunities for people with disabilities (e.g., deafness, muteness, blindness, etc.). Moffat has inquired whether KingdomIT can provide IT training and assist in setting up a computer lab. In the coming months, we will engage in discussions on this matter. Agape Child Support and its activities are supported by sponsors, including a Dutch foundation called ACSO Agape Child Support from Kampen. Please also visit their website: https://acso-nl.jouwweb.nl.

# **Simon with Teens Impact Africa**

As previously mentioned in the newsletter, we are expanding our collaboration with Teens Impact Africa to establish a new Hope Center in Kenya for teenagers. We will provide more details on this project on our website soon. Here's an image of the project:



# **Prayer Request**

In recent years, we have had multiple encounters with three IT professionals involved in Bible translation projects in Sudan. Since the outbreak of conflict in Sudan in April, it has been challenging to establish contact. We know that two of them have fled, and their office has been looted. We do not have current information on their situation and request prayers for these individuals and their families.

# **Monthly Support**

To further develop our plans and carry out monthly activities in Kenya and other regions, we are seeking regular donors who can contribute a fixed amount each month, such as €50 or €100. Will you join us? With this financial support, we can provide training to individuals every month, distribute KingdomIT Boxes, and advance our project planning and research.

Thank you in advance for your support!

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