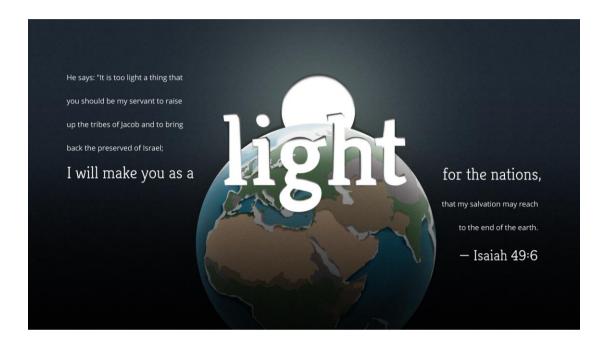


Disciples *GO*Ministries

November 2023 Issue 7



"Too light a thing"

He says:

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant

to *raise up* the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the *preserved* of Israel; *I will make you as a light for the nations*, that *my salvation* may *reach* to the end of the earth."

(Isaiah 49:6)

What does God have to say about what *His servants*, *His Church* is keeping herself busy with *today*?

Have we become so *inward*focused, so program-orientated that
it is all about just <u>raising</u> up our own
group of believers in their faith and
preserving them in their spiritual
well-being?

Is His local Church making any meaningful impact into **lostness** or has the <u>great commission</u> truly become the <u>great omission</u> for this generation?

That God may also be looking at us and say: "It is too light a thing..."

Clearly He has intended so much more for us, with us and through us, but we may be missing out on all of it, because we are totally occupied with this "too light a thing"!

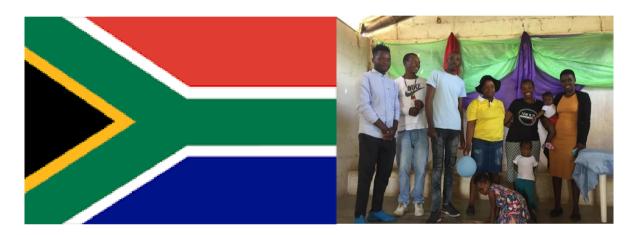
When it comes to *us*, God's focus has always been on more than *us*! His focus has always been *the nations* and *reaching* them with His salvation, *through us*! So we want to invite you to step into this *heavier* but *higher* calling, by partnering with us as we make this our mission!

May you enjoy reading about it in this month's edition of our Newsletter.

In His love

Giepie (Co-ordinator, Disciples Go Ministries)

A result of her obedience:



Members of congregation with Zanelle second from the right.

Zanelle is a single mom with three children while also being a disciple-maker, giving her life in fulfilling the great commission in and around Groblersdal, South-Africa.

While driving in a taxi a couple of weeks ago, a drunk man climbed in the same taxi, but he did not have enough money to pay for his transport. In spite of her own financial struggles, she decided to pay the rest of what the man owed to the taxi driver.

When the man reached his destination, the Holy Spirit urged her to follow him home. While struggling to keep up with him because she was carrying her two year old daughter, at some point he stopped and she had an opportunity to share the Word of God with Him and found him to be receptive to it.

When she asked him the **P.O.P. question** (the Person of Peace- question) to identify if he is truly a person of peace who wants to discover God for Himself while also being willing to invite others to discover God with him, the man said he would like to invite his wife to be part of the process.

He introduced Zanelle to his wife and daughter and they in turn invited their whole congregation to become part of this process. She received an invite from them to come to their church the next day and introduce all the congregants to making disciples this way.

When she climbed out of the taxi the following morning, the man that was drunk the day before, was waiting for her to accompany her to church. His wife joyfully shared with Zanelle later on that this was the first time her husband was attending a church meeting. And as Zanelle got the opportunity to train all the congregants in becoming disciple-makers; she experienced how God has prepared them to become His next generation of labourers.

She received an invite from the Pastor of the church to come and train them further in becoming more effective disciple-makers.

Which, Lord willing, is taking place this coming Sunday...

Zanelle didn't have enough money for food and transport back home for her and her two hungry children, but the Lord had it covered and the congregation together with another brother in Christ provided for all of it.

This is what happens when disciples of Christ decide to *keep in step with the Spirit* and *step out* in *obedience*!

What will happen if we start obeying today?

Meeting at the Market:



Attendees Mamelodi-training practising Discovery Bible Study.

While selling her goods at a local market, one of our team members started a normal conversation which led to a spiritual conversation with a young lady called Thandi, who she found to be very receptive to the Word of God.

They started meeting each other regularly at the same market to do discovery Bible Study together.

After seeing and experiencing the value of making disciples in this way, Thandi organized a disciple-making training in Mamelodi, where she invited many other woman who is all part of her social network.

It was a wonderful day as many pitched up and got excited about making disciples, utilizing Jesus' strategy to reach the lost and disciple them through establishing Discovery Bible Study groups.

This group of women are now meeting regularly to encourage each other and be further equipped for this great work of the ministry, while Thandi is busy developing into one of our disciple-making leaders.

May this be an encouragement to us all to keep our eyes open wherever we are going, as God is busy putting people on our path who He has prepared in advance.

- People who will make a big impact for His Kingdom here on earth.

Wherever we as His disciples are going, He is sending us into His harvest, even at the *market-place*!

Doors opened in Rwanda:



Rwandan Group attending Disciple-making training.

God has opened the door for us to start training a group of people in Rwanda to become true New Testament disciple-makers. We are thankful for technology through which the Lord is making all of this possible. They have a passionate *servant-leader* who understands the necessity of making disciples who can multiply, not just mere *converts* or *church-goers*.

Please stand with us in prayer that the heavens will be open above them and that God will pour out His blessings upon all of their disciple-making efforts.

His vision for us as organization has always been "to flood Africa with more and more disciples of Jesus, living His perfect vision". It is truly humbling to see how He is bringing this vision more and more into fulfilment.

Making the best use of his opportunities





Chimsi with the 24 student disciple-makers each of them having four other people who they are discipling.

Chimwemwe J Malimba or just "Chimsi" as we know him is serving as a chaplain at the University of Malawi, but he is a true New Testament Disciple-maker, who recently also joined Disciples Go Ministries.

When visiting South-Africa earlier in the year he took the opportunity to attend one of the disciple-making summits where he was introduced to *disciple-making movements*. He immediately saw the value of obeying the great commission in this way and as soon as he returned to Malawi, he started implementing what he learned, with much fruit.

At this stage he has 24 students on campus who he is busy developing into disciple-making leaders and each of them have established a discovery group with four other students who they are discipling.

He himself has also established a discovery group with *four* university students with the goal of making them disciples of Jesus who can multiply.

Finding People of Peace in hard to reach places:





Kate Birungi is a disciple-maker in Uganda who we are privileged to be partnering with. This past month she went on a disciple-making mission with a fellow team member to an area called Kisoga in central Uganda, to where the Lord of the harvest was sending them.

As they engaged with the lost in the community they found four *people of peace* who was *hungry* for God and willing to invite their family/friends to start discovering God with them.

One such a person they found in a local tavern, who has invited the same friends he normally drinks with, to be part of a Discovery Bible Study group.

Unfortunately at this stage none of the people who form part of these discovery groups have Bibles, so we would like to help Cate buy enough *Lugandan Bibles* to distribute amongst these groups.

*If you would like to take part in this Kingdom-initiative you are welcome to make a donation into the Disciples Go Ministries banking account with reference "**Bibles**".

If you would like to make a **Kingdom investment** by donating to this organization so that we can **make more disciples who will multiply** and **support true New Testament disciple-makers** in their ministry, here is the Banking details:

| Account name: | Disciples Go Ministries |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Type of account: | Business Savings |
| Account number: | 93-6298-3139 |
| Bank Branch Code: | 632005 |
| Swift Code: | ABSA ZA JJ |
| Reference: | Your name |

Visit us online at:

www.disciplesgo.co.za

