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Dear Friends,

Below you will read about some endeavours in the recent *past*. Once again, each is a testimony to God's grace. Yet **2023** is now at hand and it is time look *forward*, time to remind ourselves **to press on** for the advancement of the Lord's Kingdom and our eternal calling in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:13–14 “Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

As we enter 2023, DV, Nancy and I are planning to be involved in ministry in a vacant congregation in Campbeltown, Scotland on the west coast of Scotland (starting Jan. 17th). We also hope to complete the proofs etc. for Volume One during this time. March 1, we are planning to return to South Africa for various meetings there. I have also been asked to speak at the March Graduation for Dumisani Theological Institute & Bible School. Then, DV, we will head back to Prince Edward Island for April 1st.

With appreciation for all of your kind notes in 2022 and your expressions of love for Christ and the training of disciples.

Jack Whytock, Director

Fall Teaching:

It was wonderful for Dr. Whytock to finally meet face-to-face in Uganda with many students whom he had taught by distance during Covid lockdowns. He taught three courses at ARTS (Africa Reformation Seminary) in Kampala in November and December: **Church History 1, Church History 2, and Introduction to World Missions.**

Dr. Whytock also spoke at the Third Graduation of ARTS - held on December 10th with 15 masters degrees



and post-grad diplomas awarded to students from eight African countries: Egypt, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi. May the Lord use these 15 graduates across Africa in wonderful ways to build His Kingdom. On Sunday the 11th, many missionaries from various missions and from many African countries were providentially present at the morning worship service of this church plant that meets at ARTS. It was a great opportunity following the service to develop Christian networks.

Turkey (Türkiye), Theological Educators Globally Meet:

What a blessing it was for Dr Whytock to be with 500 theological educators at ICETE (International Council of Evangelical Theological Educators) representing over 220 global discipleship training, bible college, and seminary endeavours from



around the world. There were morning and evening plenary sessions, followed by six different morning tracks and then afternoon workshops. The meetings were held in November in Ephesus, Turkey (Türkiye).

Special Projects and Endeavours for Theological Training Advancement:

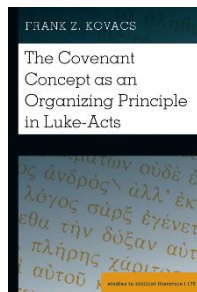
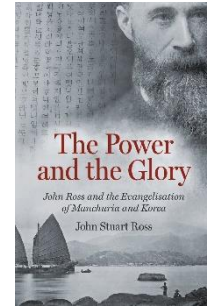
- **The Principal at Dumisani Theological Institute & Bible School, Eastern Cape, South Africa** Dr Wilbert Chipenyu is someone whom we have assisted again this past year. Please continue to pray for Dr Chipenyu as he leads at Dumisani and teaches there. The next Dumisani Graduation is in early March 2023.
- **French Bibles for Democratic Republic of the Congo** via ARTS students and graduates (Uganda) to help for ministry. There has been a problem in obtaining French Bibles in parts of the DRC. We are very grateful for a donation to help with this need. We are working through Publications Chrétiennes, Trois-Rivières, Quebec to make a shipment of 50 Louis Segond Bibles. We hope that this shipment will only be the beginning of help that we can offer for this need of French bibles for the DRC.
- **New Commentaries by living authors for the ARTS library in Kampala, Uganda.** We are delighted to announce a donation designated to help grow this library with new books by living writers. This library is critical for the degrees which are offered at ARTS (Africa Reformation Theological Seminary) for students from several countries across Africa. We were very pleased to be a support for this post-grad Presbyterian seminary on the Continent of Africa as a channel to this special project.

Africa Survey Textbook Project Update:

We are currently writing the epilogue for Volume One. Final proofs and work on images are also taking place in preparation for handing the text and illustrations to the publisher in March. In mid-November we heard about the very sudden death of one of our writers in Volume One, Dr Paul Bailie in Belfast, Northern Ireland. We express our sincere condolences to his widow and pray for her at this time. May she know the Lord's sustaining grace.

Congratulations to one of our Council of Reference

Members John Stuart Ross on the publication of *The Power and the Glory: John Ross and the Evangelisation of Manchuria and Korea* published by Christian Focus. ISBN 978-1-5271-0891-2



Also, Congratulations to one of our trustees Frank Z Kovacs on the publication of *The Covenant Concept as an Organizing Principle in Luke-Acts* published by Peter Lang. ISBN 978-1-4331-9707-9

Prayer Points:

1. Please pray about the submission of Volume One on March 1st, DV, to the publisher in Africa. Pray for the work on illustrations now and also changes which have been recently necessitated for one chapter.
2. Give thanks to the Lord for the freedom to access Uganda once again and to be able to return and teach there. Continue to pray for Uganda and the recent Ebola outbreak.
3. Pray for ARTS in Kampala and the students who represent so many ministry opportunities across so many African countries. Review this newsletter and pray particularly by the nations listed and for the special project for the DRC.
4. Pray for the winter ministry in Scotland and in South Africa that this may be fruitful and an encouragement to others.
5. Pray for the work of editing the 2023 *Haddington House Journal* our 25th volume.

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