

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023

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A missionary organisation registered in Belgium

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"Allez, faites de toutes les nations des disciples, les baptisant au nom du Père, du Fils et du Saint-Esprit..." (Mattieu 28:19)

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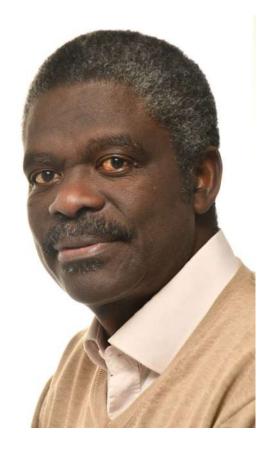
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### **Message from the Chairman**

The Lord said to Gideon: '"Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you?" (Judges 6, 14). The members of the Groupe Biblique d'Évangélisation Sans Frontières (GBEF), spread throughout the world, particularly in Africa, North America and Europe, have decided to leave the comfort zones and take a step of faith, with the resources God has made available to us, to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In doing so, our aim is to make disciples of Jesus Christ of all nations, races and tribes of the world and to teach them to observe all that the Lord Jesus commanded (Matthew 28:19-20).



GBEF was founded on 24 July 2021. Throughout 2021 and 2022, we focused our activities on the administrative procedures required to set up the international missionary organisation, taking into account the legal requirements in Belgium, where the organisation's registered office is located. These two years were also marked by the gathering and spiritual strengthening of members through prayer meetings and the sharing of the Word of God online (on zoom), as well as social actions in favour of members in need.

During 2023, we not only organised online evangelistic meetings, but also took the first step towards physical evangelistic missions on the ground.

During the year under review, we carried out evangelistic missions in various countries in Africa and North America. The first international evangelistic mission was to Eldoret in Kenya. This mission lasted 5 days and was organised in partnership with Christian Outreach Ministry Worldwide, Pioneer Faith Church. Our missionary team (11 missionaries) spent 5 days in this East African town and organised seminars for couples and young people, as well as outdoor evangelistic crusades in the same town. Evangelistic visits were also carried out by our teams working in the Rwanda and North America zones. In addition, we cannot list all the activities performed at individual level by GBEF members following the exhortations, encouragement and facilities provided by the organization. During our weekly prayer meetings and online sharing of God's word on zoom , we continue to receive testimonies from brothers and sisters on how the Holy Spirit is using them to bring souls to Christ.

We are firmly convinced that the Holy Spirit makes the seed we continually plant grow and flourish. God relentlessly pursues and seeks to save people from every tribe, language, people and nation. We pray that you will be encouraged as you read this report on the year 2023! We consider you a true partner and collaborator with GBEF in this noble mission to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth and without borders. Thank you for joining us in this work to advance the Kingdom of God!

April 2024

Pastor Dr Gratien KANYANDEKWE Chaiman

# **OUR HISTORY**

#### SPIRITUAL AWAKENING IN UNIVERSITIES

Between 1987 and 1994, God poured an exceptional revival into the National University Throughout this revival, God repeatedly reof Rwanda and other higher education estab- vealed to the members that he was going to lishments of the time. A movement known as send them to the nations of the world to prothe 'Groupe Biblique Universitaire' (GBU) op- claim the good news of salvation. erated within these educational institutions. The mission of this movement was to teach its members the word of God, to accompany them in their spiritual growth, to lead other In 1994, during the genocide perpetrated students to become disciples of Jesus Christ, against the Tutsis, some members of the to announce the good news in secondary GBU were killed, others were dispersed to schools and to collaborate with churches to different countries, while others remained in spread the Gospel through crusades in stadi- Rwanda. Whether those who left the country ums and other public places.





This revival echoed throughout the country when these students, supported by their Christian friends who accompanied them in this ministry, zealously committed them-

selves to spreading the Gospel throughout Rwanda.

#### SCATTERED ALL OVER THE WORLD

or those who stayed, they all continued God's work by bearing witness to his strength and power wherever God sent them.

#### **ONLINE REUNIFICATION**

In September 2017, some of the brothers came up with the idea of creating a WhatsApp group to reconnect and communicate with each other, especially as social media had become commonplace. Those who were able to join the WhatsApp group celebrated their reunion and discovered the joy of reconnecting after a 23-year period of separation. Since then, membership of the group has continued to grow. In September 2020, a new initiative was launched: holding online meetings via the Zoom application.



This initiative triggered another revival. The former members of the GBU from 1987-1994 and their companions in the ministry committed themselves to meeting every day to share the Word of God, to pray, to edify themselves through the testimony of what God had done to them, to rekindle the flame of the Spirit in those who were spiritually lethargic and to continue to seek out others who were scattered all over the world to unite in prayer in order to rekindle the spiritual awakening in them.

n accordance with its main mission, vision and purpose, the organization was named 'Groupe Biblique d'Evangélisation sans Frontières (GBEF)' in French, 'Bible Fellowship for Evangelism without Borders (BFEB)' in English and 'Umuryango ugamije Ivugabutumwa ritagira Imipaka' in Kinyarwanda. There is no doubt that GBEF is not the result of human zeal, but rather the fulfilment of God's plan for the founding members.

The Organization's constituent General Assembly was held on 24 July 2021 to adopt the Constitution and appoint the members of the various statutory bodies. The General Assembly appointed five (5) members of the Board of Directors, the Secretary General responsible for the day-to-day management of the Organization and three (3) members of the Audit and Technical Advisory Committee. The GBEF is a Christian missionary organization registered in Belgium under the number BE0787367905.

#### NAISSANCE DU GEBEF

With this initiative to get together using the Zoom application, the members were reminded of God's promise. They finally realized that wherever they are today,



each one of them is already serving the Lord (some of them have founded churches, others are at work within the local churches of which they are members, while others are serving the Lord in different areas wherever God has placed them). Nevertheless, they felt the need to work in synergy to better fulfil the mission that the Lord had entrusted to them. So they decided to establish a Christian missionary organization. \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_

# **OUR MISSION**

The mission of GBEF is to spread the Gospel and to make disciples of Jesus Christ of all nations, races and tribes of the world, and to teach them to observe all that the Lord Jesus commanded.

This mission is particularly directed towards regions not yet evangelised or where the active presence of Christian churches is not tangible.



# **OUR VISION**

GBEF's vision is to have spiritually transformed people from every nation, tribe and race who are true followers of Jesus Christ, and to bring about a worldwide spiritual awakening to prepare the Church for the return of Jesus Christ.

# **OUR STRATEGIES**



Bring members together in prayer meetings and study of the Word of God.



Organise crusades and evangelistic meetings.

Prepare and deliver online Bible lessons to the general public.



Encourage members and support them in preaching the Word of God wherever they are in the world.

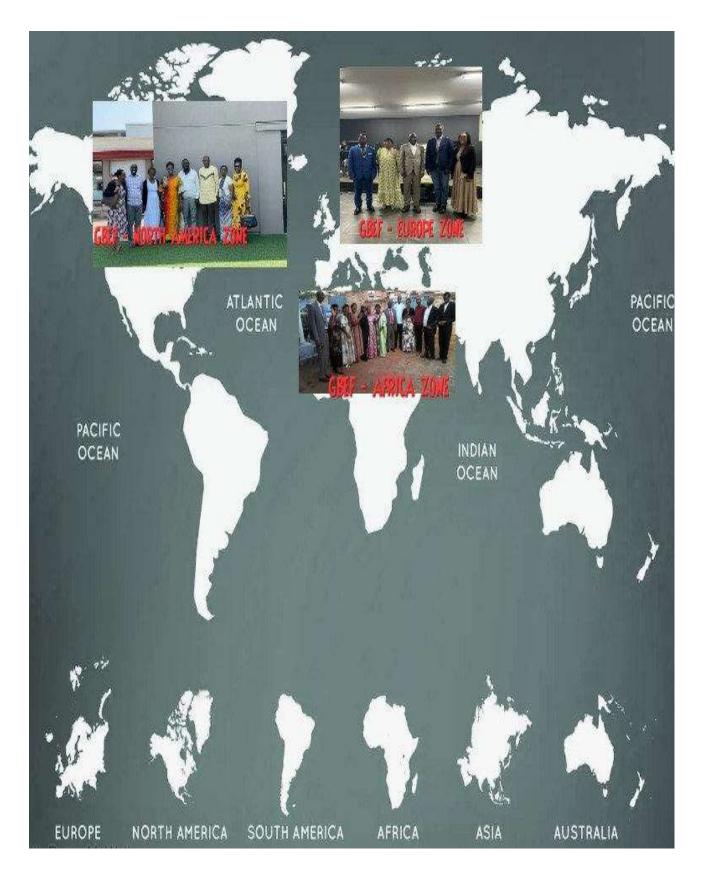
Proclaim the Gospel throughout the world by sending missionaries.

Collaborate with other people (natural or legal persons) who share the same vision as the Organisation.

Raise financial resources to support God's ministry.

Improve the living conditions of the beneficiaries of the Gospel in order to preach Christ through deeds.

# **OUR OPERATING ZONES**



# **NOS REALISATIONS**





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# I. EVANGELISTIC TRIPS A. MISSION TRIPS TO AFRICA

#### 1. Evangelism in Kenya

In 2023, a team of 11 GBEF missionaries spent seven days in the town of Eldoret (22-28 November 2023). In partnership with Christian Outreach Ministries Wordwid Church, Pioneer Faith, the following activities were carried out:

#### Three-day open-air evangelistic campaign in Eldoret





#### Eldoret





- The missionaries took part in person-to-person evangelism in the streets of Eldoret and distributed the GBEF bulletin 'The Last Call'.
- A good number of people gave their lives to Christ, according to reports from the teams who took part in this activity. Contact forms for new converts were filled in.



# "Train up a child in the way he should go: And when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22 :6)

#### • The missionaries also proclaimed the Gospel to the children.







#### **Evangelism in Kenya (continued)**

 A donation of 100 Swahili Bibles and clothing was made to the host church (Chrisitan Outreach Ministries Worldwide-Pioneer Faith Church).







• We followed and were encouraged to see that the church passed on the Bibles to the most disadvantaged members of the community.



The 'Baba na Mama Esther' family. They were delighted to have the Bible in Swahilii (their mother tongue). But the needs are so great that one family was only able to receive one copy of the Bible!

GBEF has set up a Scripture Fund. A prayer request: Pray that the fund will be sufficient to provide the needy with a Bible in their mother tongue.

#### 2. Evangelism in Rwanda

 In February 2023, the brothers and sisters of the Africa/Rwanda zone visited and shared the Word of God at the Church of Pentecost in Rwanda, Kamashashi Chapel, Kanombe, Kigali (Rwanda).



• After the mission, the whole team was received by our brother Fidèle at his residence in Kanombe.



#### B. Mission trips to North America (USA & CANADA)

 In May and July 2023, our missionary team in North America (United States of America and Canada) visited and shared the word of God at the Buffalo Church in the United States of America.



• When the mission was over, most of the team was welcomed by Sister Patricie in Pennsylvania.



#### C. Evangelism trips in Europe

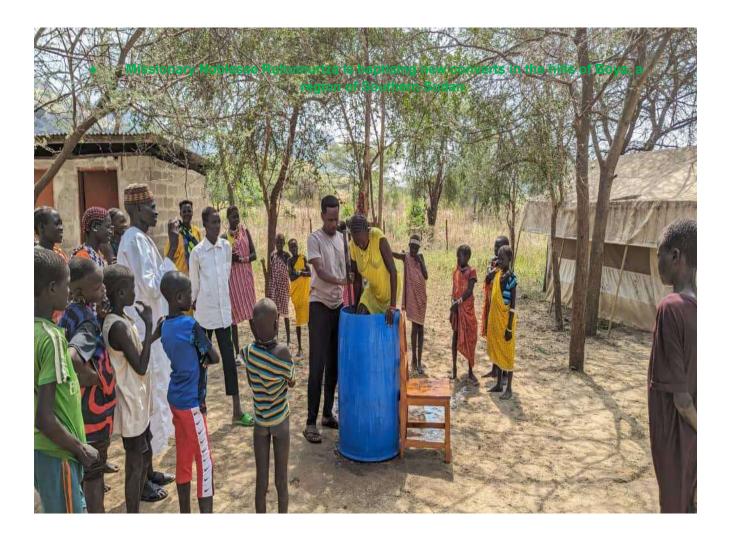
• In November 2023, some members of the Europe zone shared the Word of God with the congregation of the Source de Vie church in Brussels (Belgium).



## **II. OUR SUPPORT FOR THE MISSIONARY**

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. 42 And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

(Matthew 10:40-42)



While we pray for all missionaries deployed in the missions, in 2023 we also financially supported our brother Noblesse Ruhumuriza to return to South Sudan for his mission after a holiday in his native country, Rwanda. We are aware that this young missionary is carrying out God's work in difficult conditions.

We continue to pray for all missionaries on the ground.

#### **III. ONLINE EVANGELIZATION MEETINGS**

- Every Monday, we organise evangelistic meetings via a zoom application, open to anyone who understands the Kinyarwanda language (from 7.30pm to 2.30pm, Kigali time).
- Once a month, a weekend (Saturday) is consecrated to an international online evangelistic crusade.
- Twice a year, during the school holidays, we organize international conferences for young people.
- In North America, prayer meetings are organized once a month in Kinyarwanda.



# **IV. GETTING YOUNG PEOPLE INVOLVED**

"Alas, Sovereign LORD," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the LORD.. »

#### (Jeremiah 1:6-8)

- We are aware that young students who believe are ambassadors for Christ in their educational sphere (2 Corinthians 5:11-21)! We have therefore decided to help them understand the importance of their role and the urgency of proclaiming the Gospel to save souls.
- We organize online conferences (on zoom) bringing together young people to evangelize, encourage and equip them spiritually so that they can contribute to the evangelization of their peers and even the adults around them.
- We have also set up a WhatsApp group to facilitate communication and organization.



The various talents and gifts of these young people should help to advance the kingdom of God.

• Some of the young people mobilised by the GBEF already include artists

Our sister in Christ, Doreen Baraka, is a young artist who helps bring our online conferences to lif with her inspiring songs.



#### **GETTING YOUNG PEOPLE INVOLVED (continued)**

**Caleb Julius** is another artist who also livens up our international conferences with spiritual songs.



#### Interpreters are among the young people mobilised by GBEF

**Grace Fidèle** is a young Christian girl who interprets at our international youth conferences (from Kinyarwanda into English and French and vice





Alicia Farlin is a young Christian girl who interprets at our international conferences (from French into English and vice versa).

 Clément, Anitha and Florence proved to be good programmers (moderators) and evangelists during our crusades and evangelistic meetings.



Anitha

Clement

Florence

## V. Publication of 'The Last Call - Le Dernier Appel ' bulletin

"God spoke, so we speak. God wrote, so we write - not to eclipse God's words, but to illuminate them, explain them, celebrate them and offer them to others."

#### (David Mathis)

#### Numbers 2 and 3 of the newsletter 'The last call' were published in French in January and March 2023 respectively.



#### CRY OUT TO THE LORD JESUS Jesus frees us from the slavery of sin



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#### Your time of favor



Today is the day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2). Tomorrow is not yours. If you hear the voice of God calling you to repent and be-lieve in Jesus, don't procrastinate.

#### How to Cry out for your rescue



Humble yourself before God and, in prayer, ask Him to for-give your sins in the name of beieve in your heart that God beieve in your heart that God confess that Jesus is your Sav-you are saved and have eternal life (Ro 10:9).

More son in heaven Heaven is full of joy because of your repentance, for there is more joy in heaven for one sinner who repents (Luke 15.7).

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velle c'est que Jésus est venu pour sauver l'honune, qui ne peut pas se libérer lui-même du péché (Mt 18:11).

#### Ton temps favorable



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#### Le ciel est rempli de joie à cause de ta repentance car il y a plus de joie dans le ciel pour un seul pêcheur qui se repent (Luc 15 :7).

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#### AARON'S TESTIMONY

Aaron is a 25 year old Rwandan student, currently residing in China to complete his Master's degree in Civil Engineering. Here is his short story with Jesus.

#### Aaron's fall due to carelessness

aon t fall (1Cor 10:12) "I was born and raised in an evangelical Christian family and faithfully served the Lord in my local church in Rwanda. At the age of 20, 1 went to China to further my studies. Once in China, 1 di not watch over my Chris-tian life. The lack of earnest prayer and reading of the word of God led me to temptations 1 could not resist. Gradually, 1 gave free rein to the desires of my flesh to the point of indulging in promography. formication, mus-turbation, etc. 1 lost almost everything: the money 1 had was trying to do was not successful anymore (Ps 12:71; Jn 10:10). I was desperate, ashamed of what 1 had be-come and afraid of what my future would be. I was spiri-itually dead!"

#### Aaron's restoration by God's grace

Do not gloat over me, my enemy! Though I have fallen, I will rise. (Micah 7:8)

with true. (Micain 7.8) "In that messy life, a constant voice in my heart remind-ed me that 1 was saming. By God's grace. I remembered what I had been tangir stace I was a liftle boy, that God is metrolit. Its Holdy Spint convense are to repeat of who was my praver partner, so that he could pays for me. I approached hum, he pravet for me and the legan a new life with Jesus. I tursted God and his forgiveness and found joy and peace in my heart. Since then I have been enjoying a deep relationship with Jesus."

#### What about you? What have you learnt?

You would also be in a messy life, struggling with sins, even on the verge of depression and suicide! Dor't for-get that Jesus loves you! Cry out to him and repeat of your sins, trust in God's forgreness and mercy. And if you are in a good relationship with Jesus, watch your way of life and be careful not to strary from God's grace. May the peace and grace of God be with you. Amen.

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**BULLETIN N'3** 

#### LE TEMOIGNAGE D'AARON

Aaron est un étudiant rwandais de 25 ans, il réside actuelle-ment en Chine où il poursuit des études de maîtrise en génie civil. Voici sa brève histoire avec Jesus.

#### La chute d'Aaron due à l'imprudence

If you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall (1Cor 10:12) Que celui qui crott être debont prenne garde de tomber . (1Cor 10:12)

(1Cor 10:12) "Je suis né ef jai grandi dans une famille chrétienne evangélique et jai fidélement servi le Seigneur dans mon égites locale au Rwanda. A fajor de 20 ans, je suis allé en Chine pour poursuivre mes études. Une fois en Chine, je mà pas veille à ma vie chrétienne. Le manque de sérieux dans la priére et la lecture de la parole de Dieu ma con-duit à des tentations auxquélies je n'ai pas un résister. Ainsi, petit à petit, jai laissé libre cours aux désire de ma char au point de ni adounce à la pornographe. La fornicea-nais f'out ce que jessavais de faire ne marchait phus (Ps 127); I, n 10:10.) Jetais deseptré, javais honte de ce que jetais devenue i pavais pur de ce que senii mon avenir. Tétas spirituellement mon !"

La Restauration d'Aaron par la grâce de Dieu Ne te réjouis pas à mon sujet, mon ememie! Car si je suis tombée, je me relèverai. (Michée 7:8)

aux tombrée, je me refeverait (Michie 7.3) "Dans cette vie chaotique, une voix dans men cœur me impelait constamment que fétais en clat de péche. Par la gràce de Dieu, je me suis souvenn de ce que l'on m'avait de mes péches et de chercher un ann, un fires et miséri-cordieux. Le Saint-Esgrit m'a convanient de me repentir de mes péches et de chercher un ann, un fires en Christ que faint. De pressa sproche de hit, la pressouranoit et jai commence une nonvelle vie auce lesso. Par fait confance à Dieur et a son pardon et jai retrouve la joie et la paix dans mon ceur. Depuis lors, je jouis d'une rela-tion profonde avec Jesus."

#### Qu'en est-il de toi? Que retiens-tu ?

Tu serais aussi dans une vie désordonnée, aux prises avec des péchés, voire au bord de la dépression et du suicide l'Nouble pas que l'esus faime. Fais appel à hui et repens-toi de tes péchés, fais confinnee au parden et à la mastéricorde de Dieu. Es tu es en bonne relation avec lésus, veille à tu façon de vivre et fais attention à ne pas réloigner de la grâce de Dieu. Que la paix et la grâce de Dieu soient avec to à. Amen.

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"We are not, like so many others, peddlers of the word of God, but as sincere men, commissioned by God, we speak in Christ under the eyes of God." (2 Corinthians 2:17)

# **VI. SOCIAL ACTIONS**

# "Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

 In July 2023, our brothers and sisters from the Africa/Rwanda zone joined our brother Pastor Aloys Munyeshyaka to celebrate their daughter's wedding, which took place in Kigali, Rwanda.



• In December 2023, our brothers from the Africa/Rwanda zone met at the home of our brother Dr F. Xavier to meet our brother Félix during his visit to Kigali.



# FINANCIAL REPORT (French version)

TOTAL REVENUS EN EUR	OS	
Affectation résultats 2022	7798.83	
Cotisations des membres effectifs	8212.71	
Dons	527.23	
Collectes spécifiques	1763.19	
Total	18301.96	
TOTAL DEPENSES EN EUR	OS	
Services extérieurs	1626.82	
Soutien aux missions	5891.3	
Aides Sociales	328.76	
Total Dépenses	7846.88	
Résultat Net d'exploitation	10455.08	

It is written: 'In the same way, when you have done everything you were ordered to do, say, "We are useless servants; we have done what we were supposed to do"' (Luke 17:10).

# TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY. AMEN.