



## NEXT CAMPAIGN: KIGALI, RAWANDA SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 2

On September 15 Sheila and I leave for our second campaign in Rwanda. We will be working out of the capital city of Kigali. Thirteen Kenyan team members will join six Rwandan volunteers on the 9<sup>th</sup> to begin work before we arrive. Sheila and I will join them on the 18<sup>th</sup>. There are well over a hundred school assemblies included in the schedule, as well as many open-air events and evening film shows. We will also be conducting a field evangelism seminar. As usual these days, this is a complex twenty-day project involving a lot of people and a lot of venues, vehicles, and equipment. That means there is a lot of potential for problems and “surprises” to occur. Please pray with us that they don’t! As always, we need your prayers for three areas in particular. 1. **POWER** in proclaiming the Gospel. If the message is not empowered by the Holy Spirit, then all we are doing is making noise. 2. **PROTECTION** for

the team, vehicles, and equipment. Please pray that we will experience no hindrance due to sickness or equipment/vehicle breakdowns. 3. **PROVISION** of all that is needed to bring this campaign to completion. This is a large expensive project, but, as always, we are counting upon the faithfulness of God to provide for His Own work.

### FORTY-TWO YEARS OF INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY SEPTEMBER 5, 1977 – SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

September 5, 1977 was a Monday. The night before, I preached my last message as an employee of East Park Church in Memphis. On that Monday morning, I woke up with no office to go to, and no group to belong to. We had no money, no organization in place, and no idea how to get started in the new ministry to which God had called us. But, what we DID have was the initiation of God behind us, and His promises beneath us. There were many things we did not know, but what we DID know was that we were in the center of God’s will. So, with that, we started. Now, 42 years later, I can authoritatively testify that God is faithful. I had no idea, at age 30, all that God had in store for us, but now, at age 72, I can say it has been a magnificent journey. God has allowed us to proclaim His Gospel from one side of the globe to the other. He has enabled us to present Christ to nearly 30,000,000 people, with millions praying to receive Him in their heart. By His grace, we have completed 190 campaigns, established multiple national teams, and trained thousands in how to do field evangelism. At this point, we give God ALL the glory for all He has done, and we look forward to many years of harvesting yet to come.

### VISION 2020 – EXPANSION ON TRACK

The vision is expanding. One thing I have learned about God in 50 years of ministry is that there is no “arrival” point. In Him, there is no “cruise control”, no leveling off. It is always forward, faster, and further. So it is now with SWEA. We are planning expand the work in east Africa by relocating several team members from the home base in Eldoret, Kenya out to other cities where they can establish new field evangelism teams to cover regions not yet exposed to field evangelism. This move will give us access to millions of people not yet reached. We are also implementing an aggressive evangelism training program through which we are believing God to raise up 1000 new field evangelists. In connection with this vision, I have just completed a new book “We Go To Them - Taking the Gospel to Where The People Are”. We plan to have it published by the end of this year.

### OPPORTUNITIES

Once again, let me say that Sheila and I welcome any and every opportunity to go and share with any person or group what God is doing through SWEA. We cannot MAKE the opportunities, but we are ready to TAKE them as God provides. Please pray with us that those doors will open – we need them. The work is growing and SWEA needs to grow with it.