

Dear partners,

Receive warm greetings from Ekklesia Foundation and hope this email finds you well!

I write to you with deep gratitude, joy and appreciation from my heart for your presentation and contribution that made our 2019 Faith & Gender Justice conference in Kigali Rwanda not only successful but impactful. Today, we are back in the office, in Bondo Kenya after five days rest and we are receiving many emails from delegates with feedbacks on how the event challenged and transformed their attitude, world-views and mindsets about equality and justice for women and men and how this will impact their own lives, families and ministries. That is really encouraging friends and please thank you so much for your sacrifices for this good cause through your presentations, prayers and support. Through these events and local training, we/Ekklesia Foundation target to mobilize over 5,000 faith leaders and gender practitioners in African for equality and justice for women and men both at home, church and society.

We received a total of 98 delegates from seven African countries including - Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Democratic Republic of Congo and Malawi. We also received delegates from other western countries too.

Just as I said in my opening remarks, promoting gender justice and equality within our faith traditions and cultures especially in Africa is the hardest things/project on earth, yet is the surest and effective way to bring equality and justice to all regardless of one's gender. I still believe this the most needed approach to end root causes of inequalities and injustices against women and girls, and to challenge, shift and transform mindsets about equality, justice and dignity for women and men, for women empowerment.

From the feedbacks we are receiving, there is great need and demand from delegates that we help initiate local chapters on "Faith & Gender Justice" in different countries for continued dialogue on the same. We plan and hope to start local chapters in DRC, Rwanda, Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania. We need your prayers for this great plan. We will also use these chapters to advance in-depth training/capacity building on "Gender Reconciliation from a Faith Perspective", targeting faith leaders, women leaders in ministry, and faith based gender practitioners/civil society organizations in their respective countries.

Your brother and servant in the vine yard.

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