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Dear Friends,

Easter season greetings!

Here in East Africa we are experiencing rain, which is making people so busy in gardening and cultivating crops. We thank God for the rain, but in some places it is overflowing and causing landslides; therefore, some people are losing lives. Please keep us in your prayers to have moderate showers.

In my last update, I coveted your prayers when I was going to attend the ICETE conference in Albania. I'm grateful to report that the conference was a success, filled with inspiring discussions and valuable connections. The experience has energized me to bring back new ideas and strategies to our community here. Thank you so much to those who took time to pray for me. The meeting was so wonderful, and over 600 theologically oriented participants shared ideas for how we can serve God better during our lifetime. Check details here "<https://icete.info/icete-news/forward-together/>"; count 8 lines from the top and 8 people from right in the upper right corner, you will see my face in black jacket and white shirt.

Here is the summary of my take-home from my small group.

"We looked at the formal and non-formal theological education to get the contextualized curricula that are suitable for the church in its context. This approach allows us to address contemporary issues while remaining rooted in traditional theological teachings, ensuring that our educational offerings are both relevant and enriching. In our discussion, we came to the conclusion that non-formal theological education should continue with a purpose to take the trainees to the next level of formal education because many countries require pastors to have accredited theological certificates at the bachelor's level to fulfill their roles effectively. Additionally, networking among different organizations can better prepare these future leaders to address the unique challenges faced by their communities."

The next long trip I am preparing for is the New Wineskin's conference happening in September this year in North Carolina, I am still getting information and means to attend, in case you have an idea please inbox me.

Let's now be back to our Easter celebration; in less than two weeks we are celebrating the risen Christ. What joy to remember the sacrificial lamb who washed away our sins; we deserved death, but we are now alive. What can we give back? Just a contrite heart as we serve him diligently in every capacity where God has placed us. As you celebrate Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter, just remember that Jesus's love is dying for you and me.

We have a tradition at Square Ministry Africa to celebrate Easter and Christmas as we reach out to the community: "*How will they know that we really love the Lord?*" Unless we go to them. We reach out to the hospital patients, the needy, and the elderly in the community; just a

hamper of \$20 can make someone smile for the Easter season. In case you would like to join, just follow the link below.

Prayer requests (just take 30 seconds in your weekly prayers and mention).

- Pray for the theology of work workshop of 200 pastors in northeastern Uganda by Square Ministries that will be held in the last week of April.
- Pray for the community involvement training for the 70 young girls, among whom 15 received sewing machines, and the purpose is to give all of them machines after tailoring training.
- Pray for the Nairobi theological education institute to go smoothly, which I will attend just after Easter.
- Pray for the New Wineskins conference, which will happen in September. Attending or not, pray that God will use all the participants to have a common goal to reach out to those who need spiritual and physical gospel.

Would you like to join us in the ministry? You can follow the link below; every donation is tax-deductible and secure through Global Horizons Inc. Our partner in the ministry, based in the USA. <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/GlobalHorizonsIncorporated/Square-Ministries-Africa-donate.html>

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