

March 2024

Dear prayer partners, thank you for constantly standing before our heavenly Father to pray for our MTS global ministry. We appreciate your time reading and praying through these updates for March. May God bless you!

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Matthew 7:7-8

Stephen Kato *MTS Uganda Country Director*



PRAISE

- From 1st to 2nd February, we had the BHW conference at my church, with 25 participants. There was a minister in the church who was planning to commit suicide, but through the training, she regained hope, among other testimonies.
- Our master trainers in Kibaale also conducted a two-day BHW training at Kayanja, one of the sub-counties of the Kibaale district, in which they trained 70 church leaders and ministers.

PRAYER

- Pray for the forthcoming BHW training in Kasese for the remaining group of parents who lost their children during the ADF attack of last year and that God will provide the required finances and prepare both the trainers and the participants. This training will run **from 4th to 7th March** and then on Friday 8th conclude with the follow-up for those parents we trained last year.
- Also, pray for Kitgum BHW training that will commence from 25th to 29th March. Kitgum is one of the districts in northern Uganda that was highly affected by one group army called "the lord's Resistance Army," which was led by Joseph Kony and killed many innocent people over 20 years. Pray that God uses us supernaturally to bring hope and healing among those in that broken community.
- Pray for the safety of our families and ours when we leave for training, especially for the Kasese training, as the place is not secure yet.

Titus & Stephanie Folden *MTS Regional Coordinator for Latin America and Europe*



PRAISE

- Spain: Ana Gloria finished facilitating a small MTS group with three women from her church in Valencia. She is also in the process of opening two more groups within the next couple of months.
- North America: Our MTS group finished chapter ten this week. Our final session will be in two weeks, where we will reflect on how God has worked in our lives, celebrate, and dream together. I am encouraged, humbled, and honored to have journeyed with these pastors and leaders over the past six months.

PRAYER

• Please pray continually for Oscar and Consuelo Mora as they prepare to teach the Explore course starting in April. As elders in La Roca church, they are in charge of all MTS ministries, which include MTS small groups, Caring for the Vulnerable Child, and now Explore. They minister in a church context that reaches 600-1000 people each week in a challenging and complex city area with high crime and poverty. Pray for their marriage and their health (spiritual, emotional, and physical) as they intentionally enter into the pain and suffering of others. Pray for God's

protection in their lives against spiritual attack, as the enemy would love nothing more than to silence their voices and extinguish the light of hope and healing in this community. Pray that Oscar and Consuelo are encouraged and inspired as they witness and experience God's Spirit at work in their lives and those around them. Pray that God's transformative power at work through Oscar and Consuelo will be light in their church and city.

- Ecuador: La Roca church in Guayaquil will start a second course through the Explore material from April to July. Last year, they had 63 people complete the course. Announcements with personal testimonies will begin the first Sunday of March and will run all month, encouraging people to sign up. Please pray that God will move in the people's hearts and that many will respond to the invitation.
- Spanish Translation: Continue to pray for the translation of "*Caring for the Vulnerable Child*" into Spanish. Lord willing, these four-part resources will be published before the end of 2024. Pray also for the completion of the Princess Lost Princess Found resource. I am grateful to the growing team of those giving their time and talent to make this possible. A big thank you to Roger, Patricia, Carmen, Andrea, and Magda!

Debbie Taylor *RESPLENDA: An abuse ministry using MTS in Spanish-speaking communities*



PRAYER

• My one big request is for Sara and Miguel from Coatzacoalcos, MX. She has done MTS several times in the last 2.5 years. When she joined for the first time, I was her facilitator. Her youngest son had just died in his 30s then, and a few weeks ago, her elder son died at age 39. Please pray for God's overwhelming comfort and peace

for Sara and Miguel. In the above picture, Sara is on the right, Maria is on the left, and I, Debbie, am in the center.

- Some of our facilitators are training with Karen Feijoo about post-abortion healing. Please pray that we will have discernment on how to use her material.
- Please pray for Magdalena. She has been invited to teach MTS to the Spanishspeaking leaders of the Midwest conference of the Covenant church in May.
- Please pray for Magdalena and Debbie. They plan a trip to Nicaragua in August to teach MTS material.

Jean-Pasteur Katavo and Daphrose Muteho Director of Africa translations and emerging leader development



PRAISE

- After three weeks in the intensive care unit, KATAVO's mother is now feeling better.
- Now, DRC and Rwanda feel ready to talk, negotiate a ceasefire, and, most hopefully, bury the war ax.

PRAYER

- Let us continue to pray for lasting peace in Eastern DRC.
- Two billion and a half are the funds needed to respond to the enormous humanitarian crisis in DRC: 7 million IDPs, 25 million food-insecure, and 23 million severely traumatized ...
- We pray for a unique set of spiritual gifts on behalf of MTS teams, which sacrifice a lot to lead trauma healing seminars and cell groups: listening ability, stamina, compassion, clarity of mind, love, and hope.