

GARY REPORT

A New Beginning!

In the previous Report dated January 21, we noted that five of the six individuals with whom we were filing a lawsuit for their threats and harm to Bride individuals, had been arrested and put behind bars and were awaiting trial in Kisi, not far from Rongo, on January 23. At that trial they were found guilty and each sentenced to five years in jail. And we found out that their plan was to pay the bail and immediately file a lawsuit against the Bride brothers and sue them for damages. Aware of this and the danger these five posed, our attorney, Raymond, filed an appeal to the High Court in Kakamega so that the five would be forbidden to pay bail, and had to remain in jail until January 28 for a High Court trial. The outcome of that trial was announced on January 30, and the lower court ruling was upheld and they will be serving five years in jail.

Raymond then called me and urged me to file a lawsuit against them for damages, and I agreed. We had already spent \$5,000 fighting this group, and were going to ask for restitution in the amount of \$10,000. I would not have entertained this except that they were going to do the same, and our actions were simply in the principle of you reap what you sow. So on January 29 Raymond presented this to the court.

And one other very serious matter here, on January 26, at 8 PM, Walter had walked to get some fried potatoes for his daughter, and when he got back to his house, men attacked him with machetes. He wrote me: "All I heard them saying was a warning that Caleb and I stop the court process involving their members or they will kill us." Walter was knocked out and woke up in the hospital at midnight. Upon recovery, we paid his hospital bill and he was able to return home. Praise Yahweh his life was preserved, but that act alone cost the Bride \$800. Walter is recovering, but it is just one more evidence of the relentlessness of these people. This matter was also brought up at the January 28 High Court trial and will be followed up on.

Also in the previous Report, towards the closing the question was raised: "Is Satan and death and violence and ignorance going to continue to prevail over mankind and the kingdom; or, has that period come to an end and the enemy of all mankind will now come to be judged? It seems that the Bride work in Africa is living that question out right now, and this could well be what this conflict is all about."

Now for the unexpected, and I mean entirely unexpected, to the extent that it falls in the category of the unbelievable, except that it really happened and continues to this moment! On Thursday, January 31, Caleb was in his home and fifteen men from Nairobi showed up, including Erick, the one who was convicted of his crimes and has been on the run ever since. What was their business? Were they there to make good on their threats and came in mass to guarantee their success? No. Instead, they all bowed down and even laid prostrate on Caleb's floor and with tears and weeping asked him to forgive them. They all realized that they were wrong in what they were doing, and not

only repented but confessed their belief in Bride truth. Were they genuinely repentant? Indeed. And as a sign of their repentance, they paid six months of his house rental and six months of the Bride office rental, which was \$1,260.

These fifteen men rented a van and drove all the way to Rongo to ask forgiveness and to confess that they are now Bride, and are persuaded that this man is the Elijah and they will help prepare the way for the coming of Immanuel. How do I know this confession? Because Caleb called me and one at a time, four of them got on the phone and confessed and sincerely repented of their evil deeds. One of those men was Erick. I was so surprised with this that I made sure and confirmed that it was actually him. He specifically told me that he was now Bride and that he wronged me and that he wants to now work as a team under our authority. He said that when I return to Kenya in August for the mass meeting in Rongo, he wants me to meet with them there in Nairobi and allow them to personally express their commitment to the Bride. And on a lighter note, after their repentance, one of them told Caleb: "If you can't beat them, join them." We have certainly consistently beat them in court, placing twenty-seven of them in jail over the last two years. And by the way, all of this was put together by one Nairobi pastor named Lawrence, who was at both the Nairobi teaching that I taught, as well as at the last teaching I taught in Rongo. And of course he came with the other fourteen. He is a dear man, and we are very grateful for all he did to bring peace and understanding.

And the reason they were specifically asking me to forgive them was because when they asked Caleb to forgive them, he told them that he was not the head of the Bride, and governmentally could not do such until I forgave them. I did forgive them and they were most grateful. Were they genuine in their repentance? I called back and spoke privately with Caleb and Bride brother John Joey, a very respected elder who is very dear to and special and respected by Caleb and others, and they were fully convinced that their repentance was genuine and that they will honor and work with the Bride—now as brothers.

And another unusual thing happened as well. John Joey has been working with Calvins of Rongo while he has been in jail, and John said that there has been a real change in him. He said Calvins told him that he has had a lot of time to examine his life, and sees now that he has failed and fallen short in so many ways. John said he is a different man now. And what was most amazing is that John Joey had showed up at Caleb's home at the same time that the fifteen brothers from Nairobi showed up, and both with the same message of repentance. This was like the required two-witnesses testimony. The next day they all traveled to where Calvins was in jail and I talked with him on the phone. He was one repentant and happy man, and was released from jail. Jubilee for all!

I spoke with Raymond about these people being released from jail, and he told me that these eleven in Nairobi who are convicted, as well as Calvins, will sign a document as to their belief in the Bride and that if they do any harm against it they will immediately be arrested and returned to jail. We have dropped the requirement that they pay us the \$10,000 in damages. Once again, Jubilee!

And one final noteworthy matter. When I spoke with these new repentant Bride brothers, one of them told me something we had actually suspected but had no evidence. He told me that our attorney, Tom Mwaboza, had been poisoned. Another pastor joined Tom for dinner that evening and placed poison in his food, and Tom died in bed that night. But the brother told me more about this as well. He said the man was a successful pastor in the slum, and following this, his daughter was raped, he lost his church members, and someone killed him. In the words of the pastor I was speaking with, God judged him for this act against Tom.

These new brothers stayed there in Rongo for three full days, being taught by Caleb and teaching one another, and all being satisfied with what they were learning. And on that third day Raymond arrived and rejoiced with what was taking place, telling me that there is no need whatsoever for them signing any papers of commitment. And one other item I just now found out, I asked Caleb if those men saw the six orphaned children of Tom's. Caleb's voice changed and said that they did, and they knelt down and wept for them, repeatedly saying, "We are sorry my children; we are sorry my children." The fifteen who came returned back to Nairobi, not as our enemies but as our brothers and mutual laborers, taking hope in the coming of Immanuel.

So what might we be seeing here with this sudden and much welcomed change? What is our hope? We are reminded here of the clearly prophetic account of Haman, Mordecai, and Esther. Here we find a most relevant and prophetic testimony. And keep in mind, every prophecy in the Bible has boundaries.

We know that Haman was making plans to kill Mordecai, the Elijah. But instead of him dying at the hands of Haman, Mordecai was lifted up and Haman heralded the blessing of him by the king. We see the same thing in Africa. All of these enemies of ours wanted to see our deaths as well. But, they are now ready to proclaim and recognize the Elijah. I pray that what just happened in Africa is a beginning in this testimony of the Father's work. May Satan, who has had the power of death, be exposed and conquered, and may the Esther Bride prevail. (You will notice that Mordecai had actually performed the work for which the king acknowledged, well before then [Esther 2 and 6]. Equally, the first Remnant performs a work, and the reward does not come until now, when it is time for the second Remnant Elijah to be lifted up. Oh the wonder of Yahweh's word!)

In Psalm 23:4-6 we read:

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You have anointed my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of Yahweh forever.

For the last two years we have most certainly walked through the dreadful valley of the shadow of death, but Yahweh has been with us. And now we are at a table in the presence of our enemies, and goodness and lovingkindness is following, for which we are most grateful. And, it is indeed our great hope that we will be caught up into heaven, and from there dwell in a house, a heavenly body, forever—ruling and reigning

on this earth with Immanuel. Amen! Come oh Immanuel, and prepare your Bride. Amen!

As always, we ask for your much needed help.

Blessings,

Gary

PS: I just talked with Caleb, and he informed me that tomorrow another group of five are coming from Nairobi to equally ask for our forgiveness. And, this includes Rebecca, who sent me the threatening emails which you have read in the previous Reports. Yes, we set free all eleven of these in Nairobi, and they do not have to serve the six and five years in jail that they were sentenced to. I look forward to speaking with Rebecca, as she and I had talked together after the Nairobi teaching. I love truth and resolution. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God." Amen.