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A FRICA: Crusades were recently held in an Islamic country in North Africa and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Each setting was uniquely different yet among the most spiritually needy areas of the world. The location of the North Africa meetings was almost 100% Moslem, while the DR Congo crusade was held in territory gripped by an eight year civil war. While in DR Congo, I was able to finalize plans for a crusade and conference in another area of Congo that has been in civil war. Additional plans were made to minister to Pygmies living on Lake Kivu's Ijwi Island.



Becky with Pygmies Pygmies invite Becky into their home



Off The Beaten Path: After a long flight on MAF and hours of driving over rough and dusty roads, we arrived in Kichanga. Following serious threats by a few who were not happy to see us arrive, we arranged security and settled into the "rustic" hotel located in the center of the town. After years of civil war, the harvest was ripe. Every altar call was responded to by people anxious for the hope salvation brings.

Can You Imagine: Can you imagine someone throwing a rock at Becky? It happened as Becky was teaching women in the daytime seminar that preceded the crusade. As she was speaking, someone hurled a large rock into the meeting area that narrowly missed Becky and fell harmlessly to the ground. Nothing could dampen the excitement of the women and the seminar continued without interruption. One thing most noticed in Congo is the void in the number of men. Eight years of civil war, had claimed many husbands. Other women had seen sons killed in the war and genocides that have claimed almost three million lives. In this setting, ministry is needed to women who have lost hope.



Becky Teaching Women











Bruce With Excited Pygmy Child Hotel On Main Street

Pygmy Encounter E

Emmanuel Church Team









DR Congo Crusade

Crusade Decision

Preparing Dinner

Main Street



Pygmy Family & House

Hunted, Roasted & Eaten Like Animals: Pygmies are not considered human by many African tribes. They are hunted like animals, roasted over the fire and eaten. As a result, pygmies retreat into remote areas and are frequently afraid of other people. For more information, please visit:

http://www.regionsbeyond.org/newsletters.htm



Looking Into Mirror

THE REGIONS BEYOND . . . City of Dreadful Night . . . Calcutta is named after Kali, the goddess of destruction. Rudyard Kipling referred to it as "The City of Dreadful Night". Becky and Bruce will be in Calcutta as you receive this newsletter. **Africa Orphanage** . . . Out of room and needing more housing, we are in the process of purchasing property for the orphanage **Greenhouse Church** . . . The church building is under construction in the midst of the cold winter. Please keep the church in prayer. **Mission Aviation Fellowship** . . . Recently featured Regions Beyond International in their international publication. **Sudan** . . . The area of Sudan where we work is considered the most difficult place in Africa. Bruce will be in Sudan during March as we continue to make inroads in the self declared "leader of the Islamic revolution in Africa".



The Greenhouse Church New Building Under Construction



