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REGIONS BEYOND: Aspects of this newsletter are difficult to both write and read. Although I have been to Rwanda many times since the genocide, this is the first time I have had to actually look at the bones of those killed since I first looked at the decomposing bodies of the same people. I will never forget the sight of approximately 10,000 bodies, who were killed in only a few hours, piled on top of each other. Our recent crusade was held near the “place of bones” and the memories of the genocide stirred the heart of God within me as every person is precious to God.



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People Respond To the Invitation

Salvation At Place of Genocide: While the genocide was in process, several million people fled into Congo where refugee camps were established. During this time and the years since, we have ministered extensively in the refugee camps and in Rwanda. It is impossible to estimate how many people have made confessions of salvation in our crusades in these areas, but it would certainly be in the hundreds of thousands. The genocide ignited a revival that continues as people know that eternity is a reality.

Void Of Pastors: The effects of the genocide are felt in the Rwandan church today. Most of the pastors were either directly involved in the genocide or were themselves killed. The result is a general distrust of pastors and in most churches not having pastors. One of the greatest needs in Rwanda is the training and encouragement of the emerging church leadership. The area where the seminar was held is remote and we were told has had no training for pastors in the past ten years.



Bruce Teaching At Pastor's Seminar

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16
 “The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise...not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.” 2 Peter 3:9



“Our desire is to preach the gospel in the regions beyond” 2 Corinthians 10:16

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On Location In Rwanda



THE REGIONS BEYOND. . . Democratic Republic of Congo. . . Our upcoming ministry includes the establishment of a new church in an area where civil war, rebel attacks and volcanic eruptions are frequent. **Islamic Country . . .** We will hold a crusade and start a new church in an unreached area of an Islamic country. The name of the country is withheld for security reasons. **Ethiopia . . .** The recent outreach to a remote area of Ethiopia was very successful. As a result, we have scheduled a conference requiring travel by either horse or mule. **Children's Programs . . .** Water and electricity have recently been installed at the new children's program. **Ukraine . . .** Cold weather, snow and lost luggage were our companions during the recent ministry trip to Ukraine. The ministry was extremely well received and a new church started as the direct result. **Prayer Request . . .** The past several years have been extremely difficult, primarily due to serious security problems. We are in the process of preparing to relocate to a more central location that will reduce the amount of travel and provide much better security. Please pray for us as we finalize our visas and make the necessary arrangements. We will provide more information as soon as we have more information.

Ministry Locations: First Quarter of 2006

★ Upcoming 2006 Ministry Locations
★ Main Ministry Locations
★ Transportation Hubs