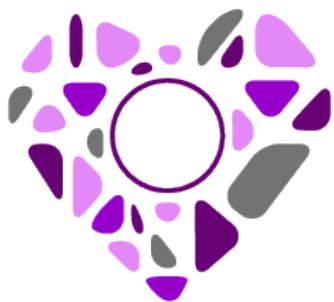




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2020 Newsletter



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Making and multiplying growing disciples

Substantial Growth

During the 2020 Pandemic, Lydia Circle Ministries has had substantial growth. People are hungry to hear about hope in the midst of fear. Our leaders in Malawi, Mozambique and Tanzania have continued to work even though restrictions were in place and masks were required in any large group setting.



"Tomorrow, we will go to Lionde (Malawi), we start the seminar on Thursday. This is an area with many Muslims. We are finished printing all the books that are needed for the seminar. Each woman will be able to take 10 extra books with them so they can train other women in their village. The Heart of Man papers are also printed with extra ones for each participant. I have gone to the market and looked for Bibles, they have gone up in price and now they are costing about \$12 for each one (\$9 was the original price). I found Bibles in two different places, so I will purchase 50 Bibles, one for each woman who attends. I have arrived in Lionde, Jesus is already here and has brought many woman to participate. 35 woman are ready to learn! We have sent out the women into the area, they were very excited to share the good news through the Heart of Man papers.

The women have come back to church to report. They have witnessed to 159 people. One small group went to a sheik's house unknowingly and witnessed. He has accepted Jesus and he is coming to the church tomorrow to meet the pastor. JESUS IS REAL! I went out as well to witness and came back to testify that I have 3 secret disciples, who can not show openly that they are learning from the Bible. So what I have agreed is that I will send a Bible to a Christian family, they will go to them and read without the family members present and knowing because they can be persecuted. The Pastor will follow up with everyone." Testimony from Stella (Malawi)

Year-end Projects

As you may have noticed, we have combined the months of November and December for our final newsletter of 2020.

Here we introduce 3 very important projects for your year-end giving consideration.

1. Host a Lydia Circle Ministries Conference

Each year in villages across Malawi, Zambia, Mozambique and Tanzania, a woman in rural villages will host conferences for women. For **\$1000** you can help her purchase training materials, food, and lodging for the women who will attend her conference to learn about evangelism and discipling. Help enable these women to keep the work moving throughout Africa.

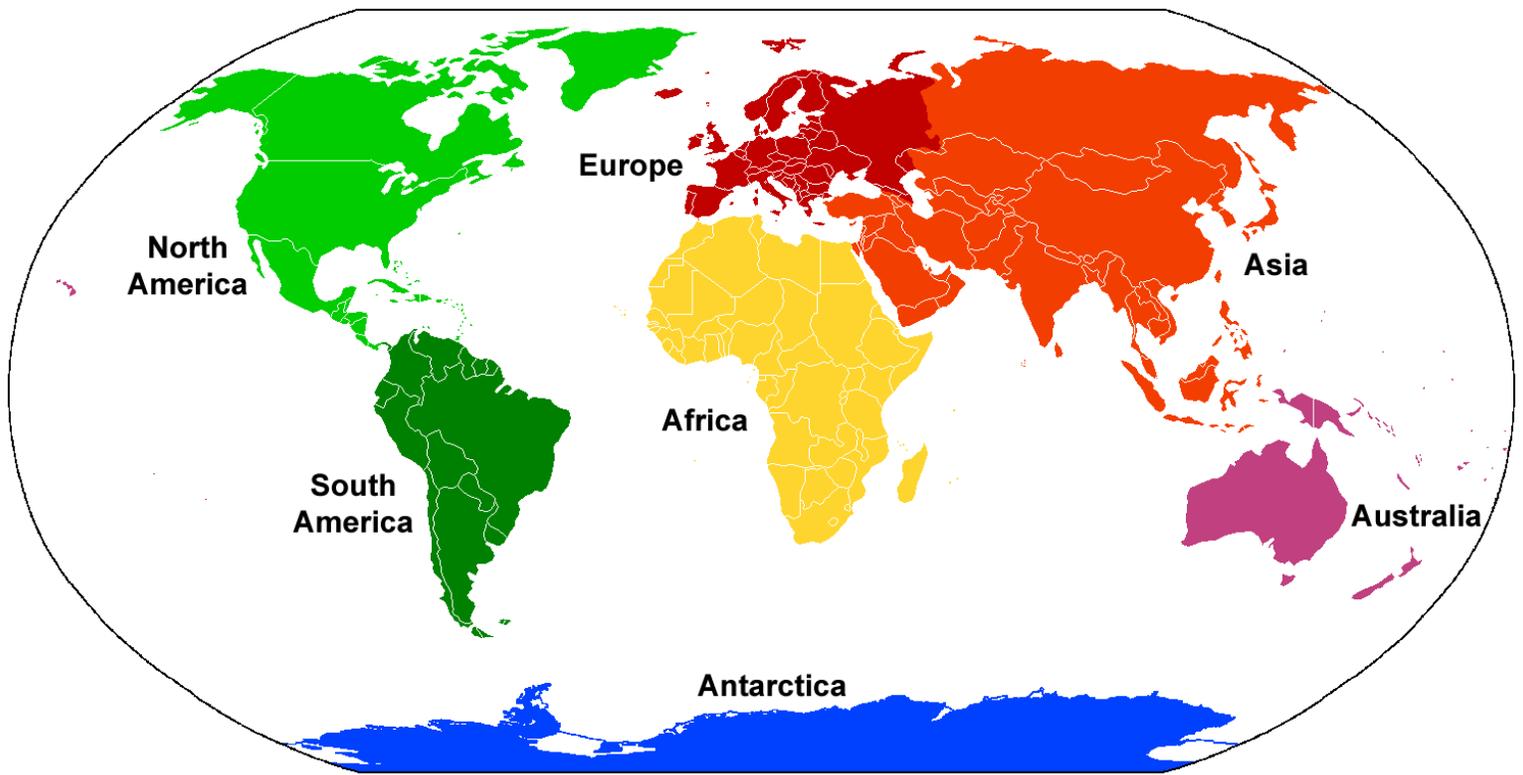
2. Bibles

As the number of women who are trained increases, so does the number of Bibles needed for them to continue their work in the field. The cost of our bibles has gone up from **\$9 to \$12** each due to the pandemic. Please consider giving towards this most important tool!

3. Sustainability - New Special Project for 2021

A new project this year is the Sustainability Project. For **\$700**, a Malawian Lydia Circle trained woman can rent an acre of land, buy corn seed, plant, care & fertilize her field and receive \$1000 of profit in return for her hard work. This helps the entire family as well as her neighbors whom she can pay to help her care for her crop. Please consider giving to this new project and help an entire family eat well for a year and provide funds for Lydia Circle conferences.

Front Cover Photo: A Malawian Pastor and his wife were so excited to receive Lydia Circle training in their church. After the conference the church doubled in size from 12 to 25 people. Praise the Lord for His goodness to this very rural church!



Comparing Africa to America

Africa Facts

- 1.216 Billion People
- 54 Countries
- 30.3 Million Square Kilometers Land
- Nile - Most well known River
- Egypt - First Known Civilization
- \$762 - Median Income (Sub-saharan)
- Lagos, Nigeria - Largest City
- 30.8% Unemployment Rate (South Africa)

United States Facts

- 328.2 Million People
- 50 States
- 9.826 Million Square Kilometers Land
- Mississippi - Most well known river
- Nation formed in the 18th Century
- \$68,703 Median Income (2018)
- New York, NY - Largest City
- 6.9 % Unemployment Rate (October 2020)

“Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who has made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.” —Psalm 100: 3

