



Deaf Ministries Update

Bringing the Gospel to the Deaf

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Dear Friends and Supporters, Most likely when you receive this Lill and myself, together with Ian and Brent, will be either in Norway or the US. 14 speaking engagements and Lill's mum's 90th birthday are the reasons for this trip.

no one to interpret individually for them. Here Rod is introduced to one of the little ones.

AFRICA

We have a ministry in the school with Pastor Fred Mutagulwa responsible. A church right next



Rod Chapman communicates with a young blind deaf girl

Prayer Points

- *Pray for the continuing support towards, and discernment for, the church project in Uganda*
- *Pray for the Muir family's safe journey & productive meetings*
- *Give thanks for the baptism of the deaf in East Asia and pray for their safety*

To get a ticket returning through the US was not much more expensive and we are able to have more speaking engagements, attend a wedding and visit a niece while there.

Africa is still very much on our hearts and minds with the impact of the conference, the needs of the deaf, and the opportunities to serve still a bit overwhelming. One of the most heartbreaking sights was that of a small group of deaf/blind children at the Ntenda school in Kampala. They joined in with meetings and fellowship but

door to the school has donated us a building for use for deaf adults. The building is rather odd. No roof, no windows, just an empty door way in a cement shell. At one stage it was used as a water tank! With a bit of tin on the roof, some holes bashed through the walls for windows, some cement poured onto the floor, a wire and a few light bulbs and something to sit on and we have a church building.

Thank you to some of the German deaf who visited, we now have some money towards this project.

Susan, here in Australia is going to have a fundraising BBQ at her house on the 26th of November so, hopefully by the beginning of next year, the building will be completed and in use.

CHINA

Not only in Africa, but elsewhere also, things are happening. We don't talk much about our work in China for obvious reasons. We usually refer to it as East Asia without mentioning too many names. In the town where one of our missionaries is working, a bakery has been established, employing a number of deaf people - 22 have just been baptized in the church there with another 4 more asking for baptism. In recent months the police have been

making it difficult for our work there, but it seems out of the problems comes the fruit. Please continue to pray for the deaf in China.

MEMBERSHIP

We have recently sent out a letter in Australia asking if any would like to become Members of DMI. This is a government requirement so that we can keep our registration here in Australia. If you would like to become a member, the annual fee is \$10. Your help in this way would be really appreciated. I am not sure what the benefits of being a member are but it would sure help us!

God Bless,
Neville and Lill



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