

ICM - ATS Newsletter
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News from ICM Kenya



This year we had two very successful graduation events at the ATS Kitale campus and ATS Mt. Elgon campus. We were grateful to have the the Second President of the Republic of Kenya, Hon. Daniel Toroitich Arap Moi preside over the Kopsiro graduation. To all who made it possible for the pastors who graduated to finish well, we say "thank you"!

One of the staff members who worked to see that the students complete their studies well is Darryl Bowe. Darryl and his wife, Kathy, came to Kenya two years ago as missionaries with ICM Kenya. Darryl has worked as the Deputy Principal for Academics while Kathy has worked as administrator in the office of the Principal. She also worked in the Women's Ministry. Apart from their regular duties at ATS, they assisted in Mt. Elgon with several development projects.



As ICM/ ATS, we want to thank God for the two years that Kathy and Darryl Bowe served at ICM Kenya. Their contribution has been greatly appreciated. Darryl and Kathy are great examples of servant leaders. During our farewell party for the Bowes, all the staff members wished them God's blessings as they move back to the USA. While in the USA, Kathy and Darryl will continue to serve ICM/ATS. They will still come and teach in Africa.

We wish the Bowes God's blessings as they continue to serve our risen Lord.
- Rev. Stephen Mairori

ICM Kenya Executive Director Rev. Stephen Mairori is married to Roselyne with son Seth and daughters Kathy and Gracie.

News from Africa Theological Seminary

ATS SELECTED BY OVERSEAS COUNCIL FOR STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECT:



From Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Chemengich

Earlier this year, I received an email from our partner organization, Overseas Council International (OCI), inviting ATS with nine other theological institutions worldwide (three from Africa including ATS) to participate in a student learning project. In that email they noted that the institutions were selected based on their "creativity and utilization of novel approaches to theological education."

We at ATS are so excited about this unique opportunity of research partnership which will allow us to participate in a structured qualitative research project that will show and evaluate how our in-service approach to theological education impacts the nature of student learning.

This study will be directed by Dr. Meri MacLeod, a theological educator and specialist in education, formerly of Western Theological Seminary in Holland, Michigan, USA. Dr. MacLeod is serving as a research consultant with OCI. This research project will take place in the next 18 months and will involve Dr. MacLeod visiting ATS (now scheduled for December 2011).

We at ATS praise God for this rare privilege to examine how our treasured in-service approach to theological education is impacting our mission to disciple and equip Christian leaders that we train and release to their respective ministries.

Watch this column for future updates on this project. But more importantly, pray with us that this project will assist ATS to improve our passion and focus on effective and transformative student learning approaches.

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Chemengich is the enthusiastic principal of Africa Theological Seminary, Kitale. Dr. Chemengich is married to Dorcas with daughter Subira and 2 twin boys, Wema and Baracka.

A Home going



On a sad note, Mrs. Amina Matunda, beloved wife of our ATS Registrar, Rev. Livingstone Matunda passed away this week after suffering a stroke. Please uphold Rev. Matunda and his dear family in much prayer during this difficult time.

Mrs. Matunda was a recent 2011 graduand having earned her Diploma in Christian Counseling from Africa Theological Seminary. She was a wonderful wife and mother. We, at ATS are mourning her loss. Thank you for your prayers.

We take great comfort in remembering that our great God remains on the Throne and Mrs. Matunda is now rejoicing in His presence!

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