

GLOBAL IMPACT



Gods Sightings

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"When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it."

Genesis 28:16 (N/V)

"Asante Bwana (Thank you, Lord!), Asante Mungu (Thank you, God!)"

We heard these words and met this woman on a lonely one-lane dirt road in the middle of nowhere in western Kenya. We were on our way to a home Bible study after another long day of ministry. This stop was not planned. We had just enough time to get to the house where the Bible study was taking place. In the two cars driving down this road, everyone was focused on the Bible study and food distribution that would take place after we finished.



Suddenly, Pastor Charles Omina stopped his car and jumped out to greet this elderly grandmother. Others joined him and followed his instructions to bring a bag of groceries and a blanket. This was a sighting from God!



God sightings are times when you see God working around you in everyday life. We hope to see God at work in church services. But we often forget that God is always at work. If we are attentive, we can find sightings of God anytime and anywhere.

We know that God works outside of religious services, but we don't always see it. It is in everyday life where some of the most important sightings of God occur. They often occur in unexpected places and at unusual times, usually while we are focused on other things. These times remind us that God knows who we are and where we are all the time. These are occasions for the kingdom of God to advance in individuals, communities and even nations.

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I have reflected on how easily we could have missed this moment if Pastor Charles Omina had not felt God's prompting to stop us. That day, in the middle of nowhere, we were the answer to this grandmother's prayers. She didn't know where her response was coming from, and we didn't know that we were the ones God would use for her request. As our team prayed for this woman and her family, I reflected on Jacob's words in Genesis 28:16: "... Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it." Again, we appreciate and thank God for your partnership in prayers and financial support. Without it, we wouldn't be able to follow God's calling to bring the Good News of our Savior, Jesus Christ, to the children in Liberia.

Today ask God to give you eyes to see what He is doing around you so that you do not miss your sightings of God.

Please pray for us as we return to Kenya, with a team, for five weeks in November 2024.



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