



# FOCUS BRIEFS

OCTOBER 21

## FOCUS A FRESH



*Student Ministry Director, Cephas Ndegwa, praying for first year students in Moi University Annex Campus during their orientation*

Every year, the universities in Kenya receive thousands of students reporting for their first year. In the mind of most parents whose children are among these fortunate ones is both celebration and a pertinent question, will he/she make it? This question plagues the minds of parents. FOCUS Kenya, through programs like Anza Fyt has made significant strides to disciple, mentor the Fresh men.

The Anza Fyt program is also aimed at integrating the fresh men in a community of likeminded believers and the Campus at large. As Hebrews 10 would have it, the community of believers provides a platform where their love for God and His people is stirred up and the hatred of sin is constantly flamed. We have seen hundreds coming to the faith across the country and many more make a commitment to live for Christ in the campus.





*First Years in small groups during an orientation session in KIST CU*



*First years attending a service during orientation week in CUEA*

FOCUS Kenya commits to continually provide programs and resources to reach out to every student and impact them with the Gospel of Christ and core values that will lead them to become followers of Christ, better students and better citizens. We urge you to keep all the First years in campuses in prayer.

- Pray that they will stand firm and resist all the temptations that may be thrown at them.
- Pray that they will continue to grow in the knowledge of Christ
- Pray that more mentors shall be available to help in ministering to first years as they adjust to the new environment.



*First years attending a CU orientation session in Kisii University*





*First Year orientation in Egerton Njoro*



*First years attending a CU orientation session in Marist University*

## HATUA FUNDRAISER

For the last three years, FOCUS Kenya has been on a mission to construct student centres around the country. This project is dubbed Hatua. So far, the construction of the Nairobi student center started and is continuing on well. To help us realise the dream of these student centers within the projected time we invite you for a Hatua Fundraiser on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Come let us join hands and shape the future of the students in this country .



*Hatua project in FOCUS Kasarani, Nairobi*



# A CALL FOR MISSIONS



Every time the Great Commission is mentioned, people tend to primarily think of going out to far lands. However, its essence is pointing men and women to Christ and to the obedience of His commands without prejudice of geographical area. It is for that reason that Commission 21, FOCUS Triennial mission reflects on the nature of the Great Commission and its implication on how we are to live. This year Commission Conference is back! The theme of the conference is, The Gospel transforming a dynamic world. We shall be helped to reflect on how we can obey the command of Christ despite the effects of the pandemic.

## Some of the Speakers:





# COMMISSION 21 SEMINARS

MON 1<sup>ST</sup> NOV. 2021  
7:30 PM-9:00PM EAT



SEMINARS: CATEGORY 1-DISCIPLESHIP FOR MISSION

1. The Art of Witnessing
2. The Gospel and Culture
3. Responding to objections to the gospel
4. Care for the Missionary
5. Winning Spiritual Battles in Missions
6. Ethical issues in Missions
7. Parenting as disciple-making
8. Mental health matters in missions
9. Dealing with Addictions
10. Redeeming marriages
11. Simple living for missions

WED 3<sup>RD</sup> NOV. 2021  
7:30 PM-9:00PM EAT



SEMINARS: CATEGORY 2 -VOCATION AND MISSION

1. Gospel witness in the workplace
2. Gospel Witness through Entrepreneurship
3. Gospel Witness through Agriculture
4. Gospel Witness through Teaching
5. Gospel Witness through ICT
6. Gospel Witness through Science
7. Gospel Witness through Commerce
8. Gospel witness through the legal Profession
9. Gospel Witness through Community Development
10. Gospel Witness through the Health Profession

FRI 5<sup>TH</sup> NOV. 2021  
7:30 PM-9:00PM EAT



SEMINARS: CATEGORY 3 -SUPPORT AND STRATEGIES FOR MISSION

1. Prayer and Missions
2. Resourcing Missions
3. Advocacy as a tool for Missions
4. Ambassadors of Peace: Peacebuilding as Mission
5. Bible study as a tool for Evangelism
6. Suffering for the Gospel
7. Relational evangelism
8. The Gospel and Music
9. The Gospel and Performing arts

MON 8<sup>TH</sup> NOV. 2021  
7:30 PM-9:00PM EAT



SEMINARS: CATEGORY 4 -THE GOSPEL TO SPECIFIC GROUPS

1. The Gospel to Gen Zs
2. Mission to the Children
3. The Gospel to Muslims
4. The Gospel to the Chinese
5. The Gospel to the Unreached peoples
6. The Gospel to LGBTIQ Community
7. The Gospel to High School Students
8. The Gospel to University and College Students
9. The Gospel to the Cities and urban Centres
10. The Gospel to Atheists and Sceptics

WED 10<sup>TH</sup> NOV. 2021  
7:30 PM-9:00PM EAT



SEMINARS: CATEGORY 5 -THE GOSPEL TO THE ENDS OF THE WORLD

1. Church Planting
2. Digital Missions
3. Engaging the Gospel across cultures
4. Reaching International Students
5. Taking the Gospel Abroad
6. Re-imagining CU Annual Missions
7. New Frontiers in Open Air Crusades
8. Gospel Witness in the Political Space
9. Frontier Mobilization

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# HOLD MY HAND



In the recent past, the world seems to be on a steep rediscovery of the lost art of mentorship. Many organisations are embracing this as key factor in securing future success. Yet for us as believers, this is the legacy that has marked our faith for centuries. The apostles were mentored by Christ, they in turn mentored others like John Mark, Timothy, Titus, Apollos just to name but a few. Mentorship in fact is in view every time we sing the famous line “Holy words of our Faith Handed down to this age” of the anthemic hymn, Ancient words.

This reality then causes us to rethink our current predicament where we are witnessing some sort of decline in authentic mentorship among believers. In responding to this predicament, FOCUS Kenya has put mentorship as one of the key strategic factors for success. To achieve this FOCUS desires to mobilise Associates and students alike to embrace this historic and fundamental practice of sharing our lives one to another. FOCUS envisions that this will allow for all stakeholders to celebrate years on, the live FOCUS motto, Reaching Students Changing Nations.



The students shall be reached through intentional mentorship that aims at preaching the gospel seeing it applied practically in all our lives and the nations shall be changed as we each take a step to mentor another and to live lives that show the light of Christ in a dark society. Join us today. #HoldMyHand



The Tanuis hosting some Christian Union Executives and having separate mentorship sessions for the men and the ladies

## AMANI AMBASSADORS



Each electioneering period in Kenya carries with it a load of anxiety, uncertainty and general unrest in the society. However, there are areas in our country that experience conflict through out all seasons. FOCUS Kenya in conjunction with other stakeholders have come up with an initiative dubbed Amani Ambassadors , whose goal is to train university students from regions ridden with conflict to be peace ambassadors in their regions and train them on how they can help the communities to develop long-term solutions for peace.



## DISCIPLESHIP



Final year celebrations. We have witnessed finalists go through their elders weekend as a culmination of their Vuka Fyt program in Egerton Nakuru Town Campus, Laikipia Main Campus CU and Egerton Faculty of Health Sciences.



Cooperative University Christian Union finalists being mentored by an Associate as they climax the Vuka Fyt program on 18th Sep 2021.





Hosting the National Director. Maasai Mara CU and Narok Associate's Branch leadership played host to our new ND on the 19th of Sept. He preached in the CU and held consultative meetings with the CU & Associates leaders.



First Bible Study session this semester at AIU CU; On the guide Rooted and Built Up In Christ (Colossians). Majority of CU members are first year students.





During the elders night at Kibabii University CU the final year students gathered together to celebrate and pray with the continuing students as they lit candles as a sign of handing the mantle and an encouragement to keep the faith.



Students in University of Embu Christian Union responding to an altar call after the National Director preached in the service

## LEADERSHIP



Henry Steve, one of the STEM Staff, training leaders on the implementation of the strategic plan





Uzima University CU handing over. The outgoing executive has been in office since 2018

## ASSOCIATES



Mentorship as a tool for discipleship was the topic during the FOCUS day held at KMTC Nakuru on 26th Sept 2021. Dr. Sheila Nyoru, one of the associates in attendance said, “A great day indeed it was where mentorship was so ably unpacked for us”. 12 Associates attended the service had mentorship sessions with the students after the service. These photos capture each Associate engaging with a group of students.



Nyahururu Associates prayer breakfast. The Associates in Nyahururu held a prayer breakfast on 15th August 2021. 10 Associates attended and resolved to give full support to the CUs in Nyahururu and Nyandarua.





Associates introducing themselves at Moi Annex, during the mentorship Sunday

## FROM OUR MISSIONARIES ABROAD



We are well in the Lord, God is good and faithful! This week we wrap up the 6 week study in Cross-cultural Communication and international work. So far we have been challenged, sharpened and our perspectives broadened. Now more than ever we appreciate FOCUS Kenya as an organisation and how God is using this Movement to reach students. There's so much to learn, and so much to give. Pray with us as we start our internships next week with NKSS (Laget) which is part of the international IFES Movement, that God will work through us.



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