



MISSION LINK'S NEWSLETTER

The Open Door of Missions

In the heart of the Apostle Paul's ministry, even while imprisoned, he urged the Colossian church to pray earnestly: "Pray also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains" (Colossians 4:3). This plea captures the essence of missions—the urgent call to walk through every God-given opportunity to proclaim the gospel. Obedience to the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20 is *not optional* for believers; it is the natural outflow of a life transformed by grace. Just as Paul recognized that effective ministry depends on divine doors swinging open, today's church must actively participate in sharing the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ.



The imagery of the "**open door**" echoes throughout Scripture, underscoring both God's grace and the solemn finality of His timing. In Genesis 7:16, after Noah and his family entered the ark as commanded, "**the Lord shut him in.**" The door stood open for a season of mercy, offering the world a chance to repent and be saved from judgment. Yet once closed by God's own hand, that opportunity was no longer an option. Similarly, Jesus warns in Luke 13:25 of a day when the Master of the house will rise and shut the door. Those outside will knock in vain, pleading to enter, only to hear, "**I do not know you.**" These passages remind us that the open door of the gospel is a **gift of grace** in the present moment. While it remains open, we must urgently invite others inside through placing their faith in Christ alone.

Mission Link International (MLI) embodies this obedience by stepping through open doors across Eastern Africa. Focused on partnering with indigenous believers, the organization equips local pastors and church leaders through intensive one-year Bible classes, ensuring that the gospel is taught with biblical depth and clarity. This training multiplies effective ministry as equipped leaders shepherd their congregations and reach their communities for Christ.

Beyond education, Mission Link demonstrates the gospel's compassion by caring for hundreds of widows and orphans. Through sponsorship programs and skills training, widows gain the ability to provide for their families while experiencing the love of Christ. Vulnerable children, including those who are physically challenged, receive education and care that point them to the hope found only in Jesus. These efforts reflect James 1:27's pure religion—visiting orphans and widows in their affliction—while advancing the Great Commission.

MLI also assists established churches and other indigenous ministries, fostering unity and sustainability in gospel work. By linking American churches with on-the-ground partners, the organization multiplies resources and impact without creating dependency. This collaborative model helps others pursue the same cause: proclaiming the mystery of Christ to those who have never heard.

As followers of Jesus, we are called to pray for open doors and then walk through them with boldness and clarity, just as Paul desired. Mission Link International provides a powerful example of what faithful obedience looks like—training leaders, caring for the vulnerable, and partnering for the spread of the gospel. The door remains open today. Will we enter and invite others in before it closes? May the Lord grant us grace to seize every opportunity to make Christ known until He returns.

Todd Childers, Director

(See back for Special Request for an "Open Door" for Dr. Rick Sadler.)

Pray for Open Doors

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT (from Rick Sadler)



Dear Friends,

If God opens the door, I hope to make one final trip to Uganda in 2026 or early 2027. Your prayers and financial support are both needed and deeply appreciated. The estimated cost of the trip is approximately \$3,400, which includes airfare, visa fee, accommodations, travel insurance, accommodations, and related expenses. Any funds received above the cost of the trip will be invested directly into MLI ministries and projects. During this visit, I hope to spend time at the Masloff Medical Clinic, the MLI Deaf School, widow ministry locations, MLI church plants, and with our MLI staff and ministry partners. Thank you for faithfully supporting God's work through MLI for nearly 28 years. Pastor Todd and I are sincerely grateful for your friendship, prayers, and partnership in the Gospel.

With love in Christ,

Rick Sadler

PS. - Please mark donations for this cause as "Rick's Trip"

MISSIONS & NEEDS

Uganda Trip: Feb. 12-25, 2027 (updated)

Start planning and fundraising early.

Cost Estimate: \$3,400

(actual cost to be set mid-August)

Activities: Medical, Construction, Youth VBS, Evangelism, & Dedication of the Masloff Medical Center. Early bird sign-ups with \$100 deposit by Aug 15th get \$200 discount.

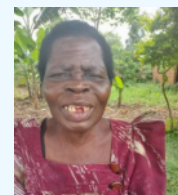
(Please complete a trip application on our website)

Annual Budget Needs: \$20,000

Due to projects we feel led to help with, our annual budget may fall short by the end of 2026. Nevertheless, we shall trust the Lord in all of it.

RESCUE A WIDOW

Only **\$40 a month** gives hope and lifts a widow and dependents from poverty.



Nabirye Taphenesi

Personal: 79 yrs old with 3 grandchildren

Testimony: Thankful for God for life and providing through Mission Link.

Challenges: Medicines Diabetes, High Blood Pressure, back pain, basic needs.

Taphenesi is our newest Leader for the widows of Idome village and needs a sponsor.



ATTENTION: CHURCHES, PASTORS, YOUTH GROUPS

EXPERIENCE MISSION work in Africa and benefit from 28 years of leading conferences, evangelism, and medical teams. Contact our office to begin planning a **SPECIAL TRIP** for your church or group. *Our Mission Link directors are willing to come and share with your church or group.*



UGANDA - BUDGET NEEDS

MLU CHRISTIAN STUDY CENTERS: Our **#1 objective** is to **make disciples that make disciples**. Donations help us to continue this work. We now have multiple schools with students enrolled across Uganda for the purpose of training new pastors/church leaders to expand the Kingdom of God in their nation.

MEDICAL FUND: Gifts to this fund help us in caring for the sick that lack the means to receive medical attention.

WIDOW SUPPORT FUND: This fund helps us care for many unexpected needs, ie. bedding, emergency medical & transport, burials, etc. Any SUPPORT you give will be a tremendous blessing.

DEAF SCHOOL: Learn more about our Christian School for the Deaf on our website. Donations are needed for our Operating budget, teacher salaries, food, etc. This school equips deaf students to learn skills that gives them purpose as "Children of God."

GENERAL FUND Appreciates GIFTS of ANY SIZE, which enables us meet the many needs of ministry work in East Africa. MLI helps numerous churches, pastors, missionaries in Uganda and Kenya to "SHINE" the Light of Christ.

KENYA - BUDGET NEEDS

SOUTHVILLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: This Primary school managed by Pastor Anthony Ndambuki in Eldoret has 200 students and focuses on educating with a biblical worldview. This school needs monthly support for teaching staff, feeding all the children, and basic school supplies.

Classroom Project: The primary school has Pre-K through 6th-grade but is lacking 7th-grade classrooms to allow the children to graduate from Southville and move directly into Secondary (High School). We are seeking donors willing to help us build 3 Classrooms for only **\$16,000 USD**.

PASTOR EUTICAULS WAMBUA: Pastor Euticauls oversees several schools, has planted numerous churches, and pastors Baptist Chapel church in Nairobi. Our brother is working on planting more churches within Kenya. Any gifts of support would help tremendously and be appreciated.

DONATE Online: scan the image to the right using your smartphone. Select the purpose of your tax-deductible gift.

Together, we can do much for God's Kingdom in 2026.

