



MISSION LINK'S NEWSLETTER

## Dirty Feet

**D**uring the final hours before the crucifixion, Jesus took a towel and a basin and washed the feet of His disciples. When He came to Peter, the disciple first protested and then exclaimed, “Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!” Jesus replied, “**He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean**” (John 13:9-10). In this moment, Jesus distinguished between **justification**, the once-for-all cleansing of salvation, and **sanctification**, the ongoing cleansing of the believer’s daily walk.



At times, a believer sins and accumulates what might be called “dirty feet.” Does this mean salvation is lost? **Absolutely not!** Yet sin carries consequences: loss of peace, joy, intimacy with God, spiritual effectiveness, and even one’s testimony. King David’s sin with Bathsheba and the death of Uriah stand as a sobering example. Though David was a man after God’s own heart, Psalm 51 and 2 Samuel 12:10-14 reveal the heavy cost of unconfessed sin (dirty feet).

Scripture repeatedly warns that sin entangles and burdens believers. The writer of Hebrews exhorts us to “lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us...fixing our eyes on Jesus” (Heb. 12:1–2). Likewise, Paul disciplined himself so that he would not be disqualified in his service (“...I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified” (1 Cor. 9:27). Sin does not nullify salvation, but it hinders spiritual progress and grieves the Holy Spirit.

I once drove a small VW pickup through a deep mud hole and thought nothing of it—until the truck began shaking violently on the highway. Mud had packed inside the wheel hubs, throwing the vehicle out of balance. Sin works much the same way. It disrupts our spiritual balance, slows our walk with God, and diminishes our usefulness. Jesus said that believers are the salt of the earth, yet He warned that salt can lose its savor and become ineffective (Matt. 5:13).

If one is truly born again, they are secure in their relationship with God. However, believers must continually confess and turn from sin (washing their “dirty feet”) to restore fellowship and spiritual momentum. This is not a license to sin (Rom. 6:1ff), but a call to holiness. Peter was saved by grace, yet his walk was sometimes marred by “dirty feet.” Paul and the writer of Hebrews likewise warn believers to strive seriously against sin (Heb. 12:4).

For this reason, pastors must faithfully remind God’s people of the seriousness of sin and its consequences. Daily, we must fix our eyes on Jesus and pray, “**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.**” And when we stumble—as we all do—we must humbly allow the Lord to wash our feet.

May we long to live lives that bring glory and honor to God, and may **2026 be a year in which we strive to be salt and light in a world growing darker by the day.**

Dr. Rick Sadler, MLI Founder



28 Years of Mission Link Sharing God's Love by Living Out the Gospel



**UPCOMING TEAM TRIPS**

**UGANDA:** Feb 6 - 18, 2026

Focus: *Sharing the Gospel of Christ* through Evangelism, Medical Clinics, Bible Conferences, Youth Activities, and Widow ministry.

*Please Pray for our efforts to magnify the name of Jesus Christ in all we do.*

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**ATTENTION: CHURCHES, PASTORS, YOUTH GROUPS**

**EXPERIENCE MISSION** work in Africa and benefit from 27 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 Euticals 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.

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