



MISSION LINK'S NEWSLETTER

Dressed for a Wedding

For as long as we can remember, a big trend has been associated with fortune and fame by how people appear to others. This line of thinking has caused misguided thoughts of how others view us rather than focusing on being kind and honest to everyone. Entire television series and soap operas have elevated the status of classes of people solely based on the material possessions they own. This mindset still controls people today by believing special attire is only acceptable on specific occasions or at certain events. First, let me state that there is absolutely nothing wrong with dressing up or wearing particular clothing out of respect for others. Personally, I like wearing a suit whenever speaking or delivering a sermon from God's Word. However, I also know this can become a legalistic tradition if it is done for any other reason than honoring the One who called me out of darkness and to speak about the marvelous light of the gospel of Christ.



Our Lord Jesus taught about a similar issue regarding a requirement for unique clothing. In Matthew 22:11, Jesus tells the parable of the wedding feast, in which a king invites guests to a banquet for his son. When the king enters to see the guests, he notices one man who is not wearing a wedding garment. The king confronts him, and because the man is speechless—without excuse—he is cast out into outer darkness. This parable is not simply about dress code but a profound spiritual illustration about being clothed with the right “garment” before God.

The wedding garment represents the righteousness required to enter the Kingdom of God. In the *cultural context* of the parable, wedding garments were often provided by the host. To reject that garment was to insult the king's provision. Spiritually, this means that trying to enter God's presence on our own terms—through self-righteousness, good works, or religious formality—will not suffice. We need to be clothed with the righteousness that God Himself provides.

This truth is echoed clearly in **2 Corinthians 5:21**, which says, “*For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*” Here, Paul unveils the great exchange of the gospel: Jesus takes our sin upon Himself, and in return, we receive His righteousness. This divine transaction is a gift that must be received by faith, not something we can ever earn.

Thus, to be clothed with the correct garment is to be spiritually covered with Christ's righteousness. It is to acknowledge that, apart from Him, we are naked, exposed, and unworthy of the wedding feast—the eternal fellowship with God. But through faith in Jesus, we are dressed in garments of salvation and robes of righteousness (Isaiah 61:10). Ultimately, the parable is a sobering reminder that God's invitation is open to all, but only those who accept His provision of righteousness—by trusting in Christ—will partake in the eternal celebration. The right garment is not religion or morality; it is Christ Himself.

My prayer is that all of us will be wearing only the righteousness of Christ when we enter into His presence at that great banquet prepared for all who are called to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb as described in Revelation 19:7-9.

Todd Childers, CEO

ADOPT A WIDOW

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

**NAMUSOKE FRANCIS**

Personal: 72 yrs old with one grandchild.
Testimony: Praises God for life and thankful for family of widows through Mission Link.
Challenges: Paralyzing body pains.

Learn about this princess and others at:
www.missionlink.org/widows
James 1:27



Meet Abraham (aka Ibra), a Street Youth success story. Ibra has been with Mission Link for several years, mentored by Dr. Rick Sadler and others within our MLI family. Ibra is now enrolled in Global Theological Seminary. Pray for him to grow in his call to ministry.

UPCOMING TRIP

UGANDA: May 19 - Jun 10, 2025

Focus: Pastors Todd Childers and Jackie Carver will be in Uganda to attend Graduation ceremonies for those who have completed our 1 year Bible School. Please pray for our time there and for all our evangelism efforts to magnify the name of Jesus.

www.missionlink.org/mission-trips

Hallelujah Corner - Mission Updates

(Left): The Widows of Itukulu village Praising the LORD for His provision of Food through sponsors.

(Right): Widows of Mafubira village thanking the Lord for support given through donors that keeps them living for Jesus!

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

EXPERIENCE MISSION work in Africa and benefit from 26 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 help multiply the Kingdom of God in their villages, nation, and world. (See Pics above)

MEDICAL FUND: Gifts to this fund helps us care for the sick that lack the means to seek medical attention.

WIDOW SUPPORT FUND: This fund helps us care for unsponsored widows, along with unplanned expenses, ie. bedding needs, emergency transport, burials, etc. Any SUPPORT you give will be a tremendous blessing.

DEAF SCHOOL: Administrative expenses, supplies, feeding the students, etc. This school enables deaf students to learn skills that gives them purpose as "Children of God." ❤️

GENERAL FUND APPRECIATES GIFTS of ANY SIZE, which helps us meet the many needs of ministry work in East Africa. *For example*, MLI helps numerous churches, pastors, missionaries in Uganda and Kenya to "SHINE" the Light of Christ in their communities through acts of love.

KENYA - BUDGET NEEDS

SOUTHVILLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: This Primary school located in Eldoret has just over 100 children and focuses on educating with a biblical worldview. This school needs monthly support for teaching staff and help feeding +100 children.

PASTOR EUTICAULS WAMBUA: Pastor Euticauls oversees several schools, has planted numerous churches, and pastors Baptist Chapel church in Nairobi. Our brother is on very expensive heart medications and any support is appreciated.

PERRY JAYNE GIRLS CENTRE: This High School was established in Euticauls' home district of Kithyoko, Kenya in 2019 and is rated among the top 3 in academics, preparing young girls for college or entering the work force. The school lacks funding and could use any support you can provide. Learn more on our website: missionlink.org/kenya

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