

## CANADIAN DEAF MINISTRY REPORT INFORMATION

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## Deaf Ministry at the General Conference Session

There are exciting developments in Deaf Ministry advance taking place for the General Conference session in San Antonio, Texas, July 2-11. **Here is a quick outline of items:**

-There will be a distinct General Conference level 10' x10' display booth open along with hundreds of other booths in the display building next to the GC session halls. The booth is under the direction of Dr. Larry Evans, the *GC Coordinator for International SDA Deaf Ministry*. Working at the booth will also be Pastors John Blake and Alfred Griffith as well as an interpreter from Spain, Taida Herrea. The booth # is C1105 .....

-The booth will include a TV set for showing some of the latest DVD's for Deaf Ministry, four pull-up displays highlighting the world SDA Deaf work.

-samples of materials available for deaf ministry

-specially printed handouts people can take showing where and how they can be involved in ministry with Deaf

-Just around the corner from the GC booth, is the *Three Angel's Deaf Ministries* booth with Pastor & Mrs. David Trexler and Esther Doss, etc.

-The main devotional and Divisional reporting meetings will be interpreted in a special section reserved for Deaf. The plan is to have at least some of these streamed 'live' over the internet so Deaf can view them around the world.

-Dr. Evans is looking forward to getting help at the booth from some of the Coordinators for Deaf Ministry from their Division!

-There will also be a hand-out explaining the work of the Deaf Ministry Department at Gospel Outreach

## Canadian Deaf Ministry International Report

Featuring SDA Deaf Ministry in Canada and Overseas

In Conjunction With Gospel Outreach

May, 2015



**The new SULADS - SDA school for the Deaf is bursting the seams with students. Shown here are the students, teachers/helpers and visitors in Feb.**

### February 2015 Philippine Trip

Back in the Spring of 2007, Pastor Blake received an invitation from *Pastor and Mrs. Chelito Gabuco* to visit the Philippines with the intension of establishing a formal Deaf Ministry worker through **Gospel Outreach [GO]**.

Dr. Fred Webb, a former missionary in the Philippines and the current GO Regional Director for the Philippines, also arranged for Daryl and Sarah Famisaran to join in a planning session.

We met in a garden gazebo just outside of the North Philippine Union Conference guest rooms. After much discussion, it was decided to see if Pastor Gabuco could be co-sponsored by both Gospel Outreach and his local Conference. Unfortunately, nothing developed from this, but Sarah Famisaran later agreed to start a work in Mindanao. Not too long after, Gabuco's

hearing daughter, Lychel, a teacher of the Deaf, came under a very strong conviction that she should give up her job, return home from her solo living quarters, and begin a full time work for the Deaf that she and her deaf sister, Cheard, were now doing part time. *This issue tells more of God's leading in the Philippines!*



**In the 8 years since our first ad hoc organizational meeting shown above, there have been many wonderful developments! Read further to see God's leading!**



### News Update from 3ADM- Signs of God's Love DVD Series

By Esther Doss of 3ADM

The "Signs of God's Love" #8 DVD is now finished and ready for sharing! This program is hosted by Esther Doss with her young son making a special appearance. The focus of this DVD is on the origin and the end of evil and hellfire. Really it is a study on God's character.

All of the *Signs of God's Love* DVD's have been shot in the beautiful outdoors, allowing for object lessons to be drawn from nature. In this particular DVD, Esther visits beautiful mountains and lakes in northwest Montana. Many places in Montana seem untouched by people, causing Esther to think of the Garden of Eden. However, she was reminded by the effects of sin when she cautioned her son to be careful at the edge of a narrow canyon. A mountain stream bubbling over a cascading waterfall reminded Esther of God's Love. But she asks the question, if God is love, then where did evil come from? Did God create evil? To answer this question, she goes to the Bible. Esther also pointed out many acres of dead trees which were burned by a forest fire and explained how hellfire will also burn the earth. A cold campfire helps explain what the Bible says about hellfire.

By the time you read this newsletter,



the DVD program will have already been shared with hundreds of Deaf people at several expos. Many of these people look forward to a new DVD each year.

You may wish to order your copy or even extras for sharing with friends. [See 3ADM address on the back page]

It is our hope and prayer that this DVD will lead people to not only learn about God but rather make decisions to love Jesus with all their heart and follow Him all the way.

We deeply appreciate the North American Division and our donors who sponsored this project.

### Advanced Amazing Facts Tracts

The new Amazing Facts *Advanced Guides* (lessons 15 to 27) in Easy Reading English, have now been released for use by Deaf Bible School's students. We have used the basic set of Amazing Facts Study Guides in Easy Reading English (lessons 1-14) and our students are always asking for more lessons. You can imagine how excited we are about the new products for those who wish to study further. Our Bible students can choose to study via mail or on our website. We were pleasantly amazed that once our students and graduates heard about the availability of the study guides they immediately requested them. Refer your Deaf friends and family to <http://www.DeafBibleSchool.com> to enroll.

### Testimony From Henry Kamau About Peter Kariuki - newly bapized!

I first met **Peter Kariuki** at the Deaf school where I went to school in 1996. What I noticed at the time was that he appeared very 'religious' by reading the bible, singing and leading prayers. Many years later, he joined DOOR briefly and was sent to work in Embu but stopped due to differences in doctrines. While at DOOR, Peter heard about Adventist Deaf ministry and started looking for a contact person. It was while in Embu that someone gave my number. According to him, he thought that the name Henry Maina sounded familiar. It was not until we exchanged texted messages that he realized that we are former classmates many years back. I learnt that he became an Adventist at a very young age through one of his uncles, but never got an opportunity to fellowship in our SDA Churches.

During the last year camp meeting, I helped him to travel all the way to Nairobi. He was able to complete the 26 lessons Bible studies and he was baptized. He has excellent English, is married with two children."

### Testimony of Peter Kariuki

My name is Peter Kariuki, I am Deaf and live in Embu. I was born in Adventist family. I attended Kerugoya School for the Deaf which was started by Catholic nuns. We were made to attend the Catholic church. When I went home for the holidays, I found that I could not share my parents faith as there was no sign language interpreters or other Deaf.

I briefly trained and worked at DOOR Africa [a non-SDA organization for

Deaff] in Nairobi. While there, I heard about Deaf Adventists based in Nairobi. I could not join them because DOOR Africa could not allow us.

I left DOOR and went back to Embu. While there, I met a former classmate of mine and during our chat, I asked him if he recall Henry Maina ( Henry Maina was also a student at Kerugoya school for the Deaf like me). Luckily, my friend was able to contact others and I finally got Henry's phone contacts.

I started communicating with him through phone messages and he was able to visit me once. He invited me for the August 2014 Deaf Camp at Karura. At Karura, I was so surprised and at the same time happy to meet so many Deaf Adventists.

...At the camp, I met a group from Embu. It was a pleasant surprise for me. Although my home is very far from Embu town and I am unemployed , I do my best to make sure that I attend church every Sabbath and some times the church assists me to raise transport.

I thank God for the Ministry, It has changed my life and I enjoy most when sharing bible discussion with others. I would like to join the ministry as a lay worker.



**Peter Kariuki**

I would like to request for prayers for me to find work near or in Embu town to be near other Deaf Adventists. We face a big challenge from Jehovah's Witness in Embu town. Pray for us to remain strong in the Lord. ... Sincerely,

**Peter Kariki, Mbeere, Embu**



[Left] At the foot of the mountain, you see a little white set of buildings- then [Right] a closer view of the Administration building, the dorm, kitchen & washroom. The water reservoir tank is beside from where this picture was taken.

### Deaf Ministry on the Island of

**Mindanao-** By Pastor John Blake

Sarah Famisanan, our first GO worker for the Deaf in the Philippines, has been leading out in Deaf Ministry throughout Mindanao. Sarah and her husband Daryl, dreamed of starting a SULADS school for the Deaf somewhat similar to those that the *SULADS Student Missionary Movement* already had with the mountain people of Mindanao. Their dream started with one classroom near Mountain View College, but they gradually came to believe that they needed to be out where the students could help grow their own food. Slowly, the present school began to take shape.

In the mean time, Sarah was working to help prepare workers for Deaf Ministry by teaching sign language in different places, etc. Sarah got real help in ministry from **Sunny Sunan** in Cagayan de Oro City, about three hours drive from the school. Sunny has some hearing with an aid. His wife is also deaf. Sunny has recently become the 5<sup>th</sup> full time Gospel Outreach worker for the Deaf in the Philippines.

*Now in May 2015*, the Deaf school has already moved from the College setting out into a mountain setting on several acres of land. Last year they had only 7 students, but this year students keep appearing and they are up to 26 and expanding almost to the breaking point.

The challenge is that when deaf youth and adults from this region have generally not had educational opportunities, they lack not only the ability to sign (other than home or village signs), read, write or do math, but virtually any opportunity for Heaven. Knowing these facts, Daryl finds it very difficult to say 'no' to a student who wants to come.

**Financial Challenge:** With only three students paying a total of around \$75 a month (one mother recently came 150 km to the school to visit and bring a small amount of rice to help), and no church or organization under-writing the cost of the school, all expenses must be paid from donations. Daryl and Sarah take the students out on weekends to visit area churches in a Deaf and School Awareness program, but this takes



[Left] the boys dorm is an original dirt floor building, now a dorm and barn. [Right] the girls have better rooms with a concrete floor, but very crowded

funding for transportation. The two volunteer helping couples, each with a child under one, are being adopted as Gospel Outreach workers - one sponsorship for each couple. There are several other volunteers that only basically receive board and a very humble room.

### The Needs are HUGE!

While we were at the school, there was a ground breaking ceremony with the South Asia Division Deaf Director, Dr. Villanueva, leading out in a short talk. The two story dorm/kitchen has about \$10,000 US to help them start on their approximately \$40,000 dorm/kitchen project. They also badly need a cost effective hydro electrical system, as there is no electrical grid anywhere near the school. And, they need at least one vehicle or two for transportation and supply hauling needs. And finally, enough funds to properly pay the volunteers and have enough funds to buy food for everyone. The Famisanans have even been sharing from their own meagre Gospel Outreach stipends in trying to help the school stay afloat.

### The Greater Manila Area:

Cheard has now joined her sister as a full time worker with Gospel Outreach-

centered with the Pasay City Church near the NPUC offices in Manila. Their church has kindly adopted the Deaf as a mission project. They have given funds, room to meet, and excellent general help and encouragement!

When Lychel began her full time work, there were only 4 baptized Deaf in the Greater Manila area. Now there are 35. The work has also spread to 12 other churches with a systematic interpreter training program, and many activities being scheduled for the Deaf: summer camp, Bible study & outreach programs.



**Two sisters, Lychel & Cheard Gabuco, with excellent help from their parents, lead out in ministry to Deaf in the greater Manila area. They work with 13 different churches in a broad outreach to Deaf**



**Douglas Silva's graduation: [LtoR] John Blake, Pastor & Mrs. Jeff Jordan, Douglas Silva & his wife, Dr. Joilo Barbosa-one of Douglas' sponsors. [R] Mrs. Jordan translating ASL to English, a Brazilian interpreting into Portuguese & finally that into Brazilian sign language - a total of 3 interpreters!**

### **BRAZIL TRIP**

Almost 10 years ago I received an email from Fabiano in Brazil. He wanted to know about deaf work in Canada. This led to the exchange of hundreds of emails to him and others about Deaf Ministry in Brazil. During this time, Gospel Outreach, along with Dr. Joilo Barbosa, began working to establish a branch of Gospel Outreach [GO] in Brazil.

Because Dr. Barbosa has through the years been in relationship with Pastor Jeff Jordan in Georgia, USA, Barbosa also became acquainted with SDA deaf in Brazil. In 2010, it was requested that Pastor Blake go to Brazil, meet the deaf there, and be on hand for the official starting of GO in Brazil.

GO now has an official branch in Brazil and is sponsoring regular Gospel Outreach workers in many areas. GO Brazil also became involved in the sponsoring of a young man, Douglas Silva, as a theology student at the SDA Seminary in Belém in the north near the Amazon river.

A special request came from Dr. Barbosa for Pastor's Blake and Jeff Jordan to be present at the graduation. Pastor Jordan's wife, Melissa, also went along as official translator from ASL to English. Another two interpreters translated from English to Portuguese, and from voiced Portuguese to

Brazilian sign language.

The graduation contained several very special features for Douglas. He was featured on Friday night in a special video; at the actual grad ceremony he signed about his experience as a deaf student, and he was also given a special plaque that Pastor Jeff was honored to present to Douglas.

After the graduation, Douglas and his wife flew with us down to Sao Paulo. There Pastor Jordan conducted a short 'Week of Prayer' with a small real audience in front of him, and a much larger audience, perhaps over 100, online watching the signing and interpreting into the Brazilian sign language.

On the final weekend we went to a special graduation celebration with Deaf coming from many areas to a retreat center. An interesting feature there was the presentation of research that Douglas and his friend André had studied in these areas: (1) the background to the reference in the Testimonies Vol. IV p. 300, to a Brother Kimbal, who was deaf. (2) to a number of references in early SDA publications about ministry to deaf (3) the story of Deaf Ministry in Brazil itself.



**Douglas with his honored Interpreter-Maria!**

### **[Brazilian Trip article concluded]**

A very special feature of Douglas (deaf) graduation weekend in Brazil was the honor and acknowledgement given to Douglas' interpreter, *Maria Nazarè Alves*. She had donated her time and effort to interpret for Douglas for 3.5 years - a huge sacrifice for her! She had been led, through dreams, to interpret for the Deaf, and to become an SDA. God saw her heart, and prepared her for this special service to a deaf theology student!

The Paulistana Conference in Sao Paulo has taken on Douglas as a regular full time pastoral *intern*. The SDA Deaf in Brazil are so thankful that one of their own, is now a full time regular pastor for the Deaf.

They are also thankful that the same Conference has co-sponsored - with Gospel Outreach Brazil - a full time Lay Bible Worker, Marcelo, who is working in another area of Sao Paulo.

And, we are happy to report that the Union Conference covering the Sao Paulo area, has employed a full time Departmental Director for Deaf work, Jackeline Mennon. She has worked with SDA Deaf in Brazil for many years. Deaf Ministry in Brazil is now growing strongly with many new outreach programs beginning. *We praise God for what He is doing through His willing workers!*

### **New Research Report About the 'Brother Kimbal' told about by Ellen White in Testimonies Vol 4, page 300**

Douglas Silva, the new Brazilian theology

graduate, & his friend André Oliveira did extensive research into the history associated with this Brother Kimbal that Ellen White talks about in 4T p 300.

### **Here are some of the facts that were discovered:**

-Kimbal was born hearing, but became deaf through sickness. He did attend a deaf school for 4 years. At the age of 19 he became a Baptist in 1853.

-He became very interested in the subject of what happens after death -Someone found the deaf group he was in and told them about the Sabbath and he became an SDA.

-Kimbal's wife's name was Mary and they had a son and a daughter.

-after his wife's pre-mature death, Kimbal felt that he should be a *missionary to his fellow deaf*. He largely supported himself and shared his faith in Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Michigan and Maryland.

-Kimbal died in the late 1870's and was buried in the Oak Hill cemetery in Michigan where Ellen White is buried.

**From a letter to the Review on April 28/1868: "My wife and self are deaf and dumb.** We got our education at Hartford, Conn., deaf and dumb Institute. We left school thirty-three years ago, after learning, four years, how to write and read."

"...I was much interested on the Bible prophecy, and wanted a preacher at my house to show me what I did not understand of the Scriptures. ...We kept the Sabbath eight years, and we do not get tired nor discouraged, but we feel thankful to God that we were led to see the truth of God."

"...We are at Leavenworth City sometimes, and keep Sabbath alone in our room..."

**[Ended Letter]"...We shall try to live out the truth, and when the Lord comes, our deaf ears shall be unstopped and we shall hear and sing with the people of God on Mount Zion."** *What a precious testimony from a deaf man in our early SDA history!*



**GC President meets with Deaf group**

**Tanzania Extravaganza With GC President, Elder Ted Wilson**

*Edited Excerpts from Henry Kamau's letter*

Our trip to Tanzania was very interesting - one way the trip lasted about 24 hours. We left Nairobi about 3 am and arrived the following day around 3am. It was the first time that most of the Deaf people in the group were travelling outside Kenya. We did not travel together: Nairobi, Nakuru, Eldoret, Kisii travelled in one bus, Mombasa, Malindi and Kilifi travelled in different buses. Most of us used church buses and were not comfortable - no reclining seats, not enough leg room, narrow seats, no air conditioning etc. Tanzania is much hotter than Kenya.

Two or three weeks before travelling to Tanzania we had posted messages in our Facebook pages targeting the Tanzanian deaf that we would be in Tanzania and requested them to pass on the messages to others and to join us.

Only four deaf people came at different times...The challenge was communication, their sign language is very different from ours and it is based on the Kiswahili language. Fortunately I was able to learn a lot and from Kiswahili - from my hearing days - I was able to communicate a lot with

them. At one time, I was acting as the interpreter between Kenya sign language and the Tanzania sign language.

Another Deaf, who attends church near the capital city, introduced us to his pastor -although the pastor did not know that the young man is Deaf- the pastor was very impressed with the group from Kenya and promised to work with Kenyans and ECD to develop Adventist Deaf Ministry in Tanzania. There is a big potential and I feel that we should be ready to assist where assistance is needed.

“When the union presidents in ECD were giving reports, the East Kenya Union president, Pr. Jonathan Maangi ... gave a very good report that included the Deaf Ministry, *it warmed our hearts so much.* We had an opportunity to present items in sign language.

*The climax of our Tanzania trip was meeting the GC president, Elder Ted NC Wilson.* It was not easy, but he granted us an audience that lasted for about 25 minutes, during that time, we presented him with a beautifully hand woven frame bearing the words - **Adventist Deaf Ministry** - Kenya - Tedd NC Wilson, President of the General Conference of the Seventh day Adventists.

I had a chance to talk to him, I thanked him for recognizing the Deaf Ministry, and the continued support especially through Dr. Larry Evans, who unfortunately was not present. I asked the leaders present that we did not want to ask for too much, but that *we wanted support to continue building the Mwata Adventist School for the Deaf.*

Elder Ted replied that there is some funds at the GC and would be meeting with others to see how the money can reach the school. Later we had a group picture. ... We also appealed to Tanzania church leaders - who were present - not no forget the Deaf.”



**Kenya SDA Deaf School Emphasis Day - with leaders visiting!**

**Kisii Kenya School Update**

The only *SDA School for the Deaf* in Africa is progressing. Last year they added two rooms, with Dr. Larry Evans there to cut the opening ribbon. They are heading up from 18 to 25 students.

The Union Disability Director, Elder Paul Muasya wrote on Mar.3/15

“I was in the Mwata school for the deaf in Kisii in January for the school boards 2015 budgeting and planning session and the school is stabilizing though understaffed due to lack of funds. We're planning to grow food for the school for the whole year in a near by church farm. They are getting milk from a cow donated by the same lady who donated the land. We expect to have 25 children in the school by the end of this month.”

We were told earlier that the school is being sponsored by a local hearing congregation and the lady that donated the land has been helping by boarding girls from the school.

There was a request to Gospel Outreach to consider sponsoring another worker at the school & this has now been approved!

**Interpreter Now Married**

By Pastor John Blake

Seven years ago, while visiting with the SDA deaf in Kyrgyzstan, a lovely young man was assigned to be my interpreter into the Kyrgy language and also into the local sign language. His name was Milan. He also became my friend. His parents are both deaf.

Earlier, Jesus had given Milan's Muslim mother two dreams. This led to her becoming an SDA Christian, and to the establishment of a Deaf SDA church in the heart of Kyrgyzstan. Milan is now married to a fine SDA young lady. He is working for the SDA

church there in communications. Gospel Outreach has a Deaf Ministry worker there (Luba) and the deaf church is very active!



**Milan & His wife in Kyrgyzstan**



There is a saying that says: “*Nothing ventured, nothing won!*” God may yet bring a special blessing to Deaf Ministry through these meetings as HE works to fill the need for ministry with Deaf in Edmonton!

In the picture to the left, you see Fern with Pastor John Bradshaw, “*It is Written*” Speaker/Director, as he watches another baptism. Fern herself felt God guided her to interpret at these meetings!

**Fern Interpreting Impact2015 - Edmonton, AB** – Many months ago it was decided to work toward having the Impact 2015 meetings in April/May 2015 interpreted for Deaf. Since we have no qualified SDA ‘interpreter’ in Alberta, we found a sincere Christian interpreter, Fern Russell, who agreed to interpret each meeting. The printed advertising told of this special feature during the meetings.

Though we were disappointed that only one deaf person has come, we are delighted for their faithful attendance! And Fern has done a conscientious and excellent work of interpreting!



**A special signing group from Mamawi Atosketan Native school near Ponoka - as they sign for patrons in April/15 during a school promotion program**



### **First GO worker in Brazil**

***Marcelo Bessa de Lima is our first Gospel Outreach Lay Bible Worker for the Deaf in all of South America.***

Marcello is working in one area of Sao Paulo. He is co-sponsored between *Gospel Outreach Brazil* and his own Brazilian Conference. His wife Sandra works in a specialized baking business. Marcello was originally in the accounting business and now is in the Lord’s Heavenly accounting!

From the original contact with Fabiano, a church and business deaf interpreter in Brazil, to getting our first GO worker - was a period of around 7 years - but now a GO worker is started -and two more are paid by the church!



**Gospel Outreach Lay Bible Workers in India during the Feb/15 training workshop with Elders Alfred Griffith and Paul Kelly (Kelly shown on right!)**

### **India Training Trip**

In Feb/15 Elders Kelly & Griffith headed to India to hold a training workshop for the majority of the Gospel Outreach Lay Bible workers in India. This was Kelly’s first trip with Gospel Outreach to train workers overseas!

Since Kelly is a teacher of deaf and Griffith is partly ‘retired’, Griffith stayed longer. While in India he had meetings for the students at the Asian Aid school for the Deaf near Kollegal in south India.

Griffith was also able to visit with a good number of former students from the school who are now attending public school in Bangalore. We need prayer that these students may be able to get the Sabbath off and have their own Sabbath services! They come from Hindu homes and parents of these deaf students would not understand if they refused to attend class on Sabbath and had to return home.

### **EDITORIAL**

*By Pastor John Blake*

**Isaiah:55:11** “So will my word be which goes out of my mouth: it will not come back to me with nothing done, but

it will give effect to my purpose, and do that for which I have sent it. [**in Basic English**]

In this edition of our newsletter, we see different examples of God working out His will as we cooperate to sow the seed of truth: the story of Peter in Kenya, the beginning of Marcelo, our first Gospel Outreach worker in South America, the growth from our first ad hoc committee in the Philippines 7 years ago to now three GO workers between two centers, and two workers [expanding to four] at the Deaf school in Mindanao in the Philippines.

It takes time for things to mature - in God’s timing. We are expecting that Godet, from the Congo, will shortly start his initial very basic training at Baraton University in Kenya. It took over three years to finally get a worker in Uganda, and now a second one is starting. We praise God!

Our prayer is that together we will pray, give sacrificially of time and funds, that the work will continue to grow *as God opens doors - in His timing!*

## AN EXTRA PICTURE GALLERY!



Deaf and those associated with the recent Amazing Facts Evangelistic series in Manila where interpreting was provided Lychel Gabuco and her deaf sister, Cheard, have expanded the work for the Deaf now to 13 churches in the Manila area!



Leaders meeting at the Division headquarters in the Philippines to discuss the work for the Deaf. (From L to R) Dr. Larry Evans (GC Coordinator for Deaf Ministry), Pastor Jeff Jordan (deaf pastor -Tennessee), Dr. Fred Webb (GO Philippines), Pastor Blake, Elder Doug Venn (Division Global Mission Director, Dr. Hermogenes Villanaeuva, Division Deaf Ministry Coordinator



A special 'Revival Day' with the deaf group at Pattukotia, India, in their own 'upper story church' in January/2015 There are now about 20 GO workers for Deaf in India.



Dinner time for the visitors in the meager kitchen/dining area at the SULADS Philippine school for the Deaf - it was a simple, but tasty meal - oh - did that ripe pineapple ever taste good!!



### Bottom Picture Captions:

*Left:* Students at the SULADS deaf school taking the kernals of corn off the cob preparatory to their eating the corn.

*Middle:* Pastor Jeff Jordan baptizing the 13<sup>th</sup> student who had not been at the school on the baptism weekend

*Right:* Dr. Joilo Barbosa, originally from Brazil, interpreting into Portuguese for Pastor Blake during the Douglas Silva graduation trip to Brazil. Dr. Barbosa has long had a serious interest in ministry to Deaf beginning years ago when he helped Pastor Jeff Jordan in the Atlanta area when Jordan was beginning his ministry to Deaf. Now Jordans and Dr. Barbosa ended up together for this deaf student graduation celebration in Brazil.



The mountain school for the Deaf in Mindanao- is winning precious deaf young people for Christ. On the right, above, in the front row, are 12 precious Deaf who were baptized when Evans, Jordan, Webb and Blake were there at the SULADS Deaf School in February, 2015. Two days later, a boy who was away from the school, pled to be baptized and also joined the others - baptized in the creek by the school.



Recently GO workers for the Deaf and Conference officials visited the Mwata Kenya SDA school for the Deaf and took very practical and needed gifts for use by the students at this pioneer deaf school. About 10 of the now 25 students - are orphans. In the picture on the right is Dr. Larry Evans in 2014 is taking part in the opening of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> classrooms. A local SDA church has undertaken to help provide this school. The Lady - on the left of the “ribbon” picture above - gave the property and has been helping care for the girls in her own home - sacrificing in honor of her own teen daughter who passed away some time ago!

## **BOTH SCHOOLS BADLY NEED A DORMITORY!**

### **Will You Help?**

Canadian donations need to be made to: **“A Better World - (Canada)”**

American Donations need to be made to: **“Gospel Outreach - USA”**

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