

The Genocide Museum



In 2010 when I first visited the Genocide Museum it was a nauseating experience, seeing photographs and hearing first-hand accounts of how people were killed: some were hacked by machetes while others were smashed against brick walls. The fortunate ones were shot!

The photograph left shows the Flame of Remembrance which is lit for the 100 days every year.



Pastor Gilbert Habimana (pictured right) is a well respected pastor in Kigali (the capital city) and works to bring reconciliation.

During the genocide he and his family (who are Hutus) risked their lives by hiding four Tutsis in their house for four weeks; one was a sixth month old baby. When the militia suspected him of harbouring Tutsis they went to his house armed with automatic weapons but miraculously did not search under the bed where the Tutsis were hiding. I am honoured to call Gilbert my friend and to support his ministry bringing reconciliation to Rwanda.

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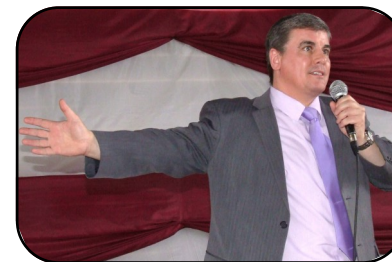
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Good Friday 6th April 2012 was the first of the 100 days of remembrance when, in 1994, one million people were murdered in 100 days. This is always a difficult time in Rwanda. I had returned after my 2010 mission to minister at a series of meetings on reconciliation and forgiveness.



Easter Sunday

The photographs right and below were taken on



Easter Sunday in Agape Community Church where I preached on 'The Power of the Blood'.

After preaching and ministering to the congregation many received healing — both physical and emotional.

Mosquito Net Appeal

Due to the generosity of the supporters of this ministry hundreds of children, like those shown in the photograph, will now be able to sleep under mosquito nets free from the risk of malaria and other diseases, such as Yellow Fever, which are spread by mosquitos.



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Blessed to be a Blessing

Through the generosity of this ministry's supporters, not only were much needed mosquito nets provided but other ministries were helped. *The Genocide Survivors Foundation* which supports many people who are suffering as a result of losing their loved ones, received financial support.



Financial support was also given to *The Child Evangelism Fellowship of Rwanda* (the team is pictured above right). This ministry reaches 3000 children every year - on the streets and in schools, running Sunday Schools and Good News clubs.

Acts of Compassion



The Bible says, "On some have compassion, making a difference" (Jude 22).

On the Tuesday hundreds of pastors and church members helped many genocide survivors in practical ways such as fixing roofs, rebuilding walls and restoring fences. The photograph left shows me and other volunteers working in the fields; the photograph below right shows me with the lady who owned the land.



I can not begin to tell you just how much they appreciated the work that was undertaken that day. Dozens of people were saved because they saw the love of God in action.

Ministering to Multitudes

On the same day I had been working in the fields, I had been asked to preach a message of reconciliation to civic leaders and church leaders from many denominations. Several hundred were expected to attend this open air meeting but over 24,000 turned up. The Executive Officer of the District (our equivalent of Local Council Leader) said that it was the largest crowd ever seen in that district.

The photograph right doesn't really show the size of the 24,000 crowd that turned up that day eager to hear the message of God's love and forgiveness.



I preached about Joseph's life and the reconciliation with his brothers. The meeting was recorded and screened on national TV and radio the next day.

The photograph below shows some of the 200 civic dignitaries and church leaders who attended the meeting.



On my final day in Rwanda I was told that many pastors had heard this message and had adopted it as a message for the whole church in Rwanda during this 100 days of remembrance. It was a very humbling experience.

Bringing Churches Together

I had been asked to minister to church leaders at a Day Conference entitled 'Hope for the Future Through Reconciliation'.

Church leaders from many denominations attended. It was wonderful to see Anglicans, Assemblies of God, Baptists, Catholics, Four Square Gospel Church, Methodists, Pentecostals and Protestants all together to hear messages of love, forgiveness and hope for the people of Rwanda.

