



AFRICA NOW!

God is working in Africa Now

Mario and Merlyn Milhomem were ACTION Missionaries in Brazil for 10 years. Mario had been Brazil Field Director for five years when God told them to move to South Africa to start a new Action International Ministries field. They obeyed and moved in June of 2017.

South Africa has the highest number of drugs users on the African continent, and the poverty in the townships (slums) is so high that 35% of the population is unemployed and 45% of the girls will be raped by the time they are 14 years old. These areas are sad to visit, seeing so many people on the streets. Kids as young as 10 years old are already smoking; and by 14, many have joined gangs, where the rule is “kill or be killed.”

He’s 100 years old, but not too old to ride a bike.

Last May, we trained 182 pastors in Malawi. Pastor Albati’s thirst for Bible knowledge led him to ride his bicycle for three days to the training seminar. Like him, many others came from far away to be there.

Under the trees, down in the villages, and into the cities, we helped local African churches train their pastors and leaders, so that they can return to train their own people in their language and culture.



Lucas (8), Daniel (5), Evelyn (3), Merlyn, and Mario - In the past 120 years, the whole of Africa has received hundreds of missionaries from all over the world; thousands of churches were planted; and millions of individuals came to Christ. Now, most of the churches in Africa have pastors, but many pastors have no training or Bible knowledge. Some don’t even know how to read! We came to help.



Pastor Albati
(100 years Old)

50 Bibles were distributed to the Chikombo people in partnership with Project Isaiah 55:11



Empowering the Community



“Stop smoking - you’re only eleven!”

He came to our soccer school a few months ago. After missing classes for three weeks, I discovered he was smoking cigarettes and planning to join his first drug gang. I went after him, pulled him aside, and—like a father talking to his son—asked him to come back. I explained that the way he was going would only lead to death. One week later, HE WAS BACK. He assured me he had stopped smoking, and now he has never missed class again and is our official goal keeper.



“I got a job after Three Years.”

Marlene Williams was the first unemployed lady to come to our three-month computer class. She never missed a class and, soon after her graduation, got a job because now she knows how to work with computers.



In 2018, we graduated 11 unemployed ladies in the township. Teaching computer skills empowers people and gives them hope to find jobs and a new life perspective.

PRAY. GIVE. GO

PRAY: We are establishing ACTION South Africa with many social projects to empower the community and take kids off the streets. Besides the projects mentioned, we also hope to raise funds to offer the following:

- Guitar classes for kids
- Driving school (we are using our family car to teach 2 young guys right now)
- Pray for more workers
- Sewing school

GIVE: On-going funds are needed to keep all the present and planned ministries vibrant in South Africa.

- Pastoral Leadership Development - \$12,500
- Sports ministry - \$1,300
- Guitar class - \$900
- Computer class - \$1,600 (to buy 4 new computers)
- 5 sewing machines - \$1,900
- Ministry car and driving school - \$8,500
- Snacks for after classes for the kids - \$1,950
- Field administration cost - \$3,500

GO: ACTION South Africa is open to receive short-term teams and mature leaders that can teach in the Pastoral Leadership Development area.



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