

Greetings to you in Jesus' Name.

Last week on Wednesday (*14<sup>th</sup> March 2012*) I went with a team of 15 people (of trainers and Youth) to Mvolo Archdeaconry and we conducted three days (Thursday to Saturday) training for the Church Leaders of Mvolo, Woko and Yeri Archdeaconries. Initially we had intended the training for 120 Church leaders (All Pastors, Lay Readers, MU leaders and Youth Leaders) to participate. But the number that turned up was more than we had anticipated even those who were not leaders in these categories decided to participate and we could not send them away. Moreover a lot of children turned up especially when the instruments were played during the music. This prompted us to have Sunday School class for children the same time as the main program went on! However, the main challenge was how to provide lunch and dinner for all? Nevertheless we decided to share with them whatever was there even though it was not enough for everyone!

In addition to that we held open air preaching, show Jesus Film at night and made altar calls for those who would like to repent, renounce witch crafts, reconcile with those who offended them etc. And a good number of people came out for that, though I am yet to have full details from the report of our Missions & Evangelism (ME) Coordinator. We finished Sunday with a big Sunday service where 3,611 people were in attendance and the majority being children. We returned to Mundri Sunday evening tired but high in our spirits.

What I realised was that our Pastors in this diocese are so much in great need of adequate training on the word of God and not just the Christians they lead! It is for this reason that we strongly urged them to reconsider the pattern of our basics or the NT Church seriously in their places of ministry, "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" (Acts 2: 42, NIV).

Yours truly, in the fellowship of the Gospel.

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