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COMMUNITIES OF HOPE

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Stories of faith &
forgiveness in
Uganda

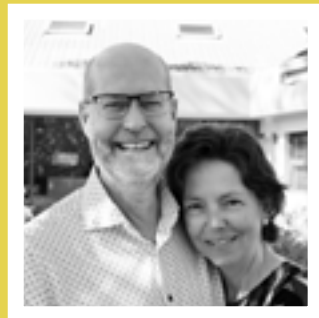
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A note from Stuart



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To engage people in relationship with God through knowing His Word.

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Community is one of God's greatest gifts. He created us to live in communion with Him and in community with one another. We were never meant to walk alone.

This truth is especially true as we reflect on the millions of refugees and displaced people across Africa. Many have been forced to leave their homes because of conflict, famine, or persecution. Imagine the challenge of starting over in a new country, navigating an unfamiliar culture, learning a new language, and rebuilding a life after losing so much. It is a journey few of us can fully comprehend.

Yet even in these difficult circumstances, God's Word remains an anchor and transcends borders, cultures, and backgrounds, reminding us that we all belong to the family of God.

In this edition, you'll hear stories of refugees in East Africa whose lives are being transformed through the study of God's Word. We are deeply grateful for the faithful teams serving these communities and for your support as we reach them.

With gratitude,

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Building a Legacy of Faith



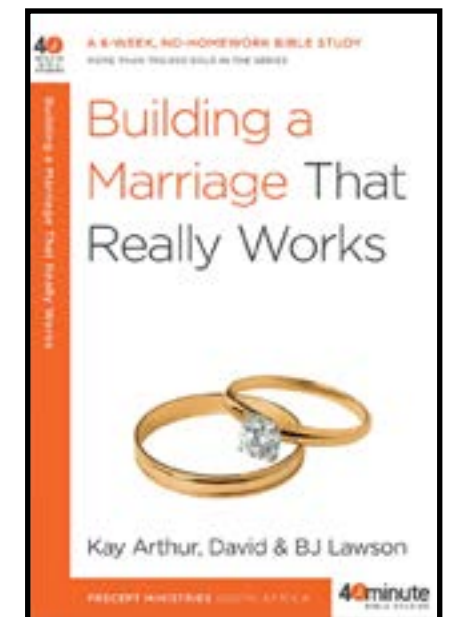
Pst. Claire leading Bible study in her community. Click the book image above to view or shop the study.

Pastor Claire Razafindrabary a pastor and Precept Africa Institute student from Toamasina, Madagascar, has witnessed firsthand how studying Scripture inductively is transforming both her own ministry and the lives of those she serves.

After each Institute session, she takes what she has learned back to her community, teaching the lessons to students in her classes and encouraging them to engage with God's Word for themselves. The response has been overwhelmingly positive. Many have developed a deep interest in the studies and are eager to join the next Precept Africa Institute cohort. Others have expressed a desire to continue their journey through the 40-Minute Bible Study Series. Lessons on marriage have been particularly impactful, helping participants strengthen their relationships and apply Biblical principles in practical ways.

Through one leader's faithfulness, a growing community of students are discovering the life-changing power of Scripture.

Testimony



Your story matters. How has studying God's Word impacted your life? Share your testimony with us at support@precept.org.za

Rebuilding with Hope

After a long motorbike journey along a narrow road, Pastor Sunday Sinyinza visited Maheba Refugee Settlement - Zambia's largest refugee settlement which is home to between 20-40 thousand people primarily from the DRC, Angola, Rwanda, and Burundi. Many arrived having lost homes, livelihoods, loved ones, and any sense of certainty about the future but are rebuilding their lives through farming – helping them become more self-reliant.



Pastor Sunday was welcomed by local church leaders and a group of eager students who had gathered to study: *Living Victoriously in Difficult Times*. The lessons resonated deeply with participants whose lives have been marked by displacement, uncertainty, and loss. **Through inductive Bible study, many are discovering new ways to view their circumstances through the lens of God's faithfulness and sovereignty.**



One of the most powerful moments occurred during worship. As voices rose together in praise, the burdens of daily life seemed, if only for a moment, to lift. In a place where many carry deep trauma, worship became more than a gathering – it became a source of healing, unity, and hope.



For Pastor Sunday, the experience was profoundly moving. It was a reminder that **true joy is not found in comfort or material security, but in God and His Word** which is helping people in Maheba rebuild not only their lives, but also their faith, and sense of belonging. Please pray with us for more opportunities like this one to bring God's Word to the many other precious refugees in this settlement.



Faith Beyond Borders

Uganda has long been a place of refuge for those fleeing conflict and instability in neighbouring countries. Home to six major refugee settlements, the country hosts millions of displaced people from South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Eritrea, and beyond. Among these settlements is Bidi Bidi, the largest refugee settlement in Africa and one of the largest in the world

For many years, Precept Uganda has been serving these communities by partnering with pastors and church leaders from various denominations within the settlements. Through training in the inductive Bible study method, local pastors have been teaching God's Word in their churches every week, resulting in the growth of diverse groups like women's groups, youth studies, men's fellowships, mini conferences and participation in the Precept Africa Institute.



Left, a youth group gathers around a donated phone and study materials to take part in the Precept Africa Institute.



Pst. Luke Muwayi, National Director of Precept Uganda



According to National Director Pastor Luke Muwayi, one of the most encouraging aspects of the ministry has been witnessing the transformative impact of studies such as *Forgiveness: Breaking the Power of the Past*.

One leader in Bidi Bidi, responsible for counselling and settling new arrivals, carried the emotional weight of hearing countless stories of violence, loss, and displacement. **Through the study on forgiveness, he found the freedom to release both the perpetrators of these crimes and the pain he carried in his own heart.** Today, he continues serving new arrivals with renewed peace and compassion, sharing with others the same message of forgiveness and hope that transformed his own life

Get to Know



KENYA

Kenya – a nation whose spirit is beautifully captured in its national motto: **Harambee, meaning “Let’s all pull together.”** Community has long been woven into the fabric of Kenyan society.

Located in East Africa, Kenya is home to more than 54 million people and over 40 ethnic groups. The official languages are Kiswahili and English, though many communities also speak their own indigenous languages. A common Kiswahili greeting is: Jambo.



Kenya is world-renowned for its breathtaking landscapes, the Maasai Mara National Reserve, Mount Kenya – Africa’s second-highest peak, and the Great Rift Valley. Nairobi National Park sits right in the city centre, where giraffes, lions, rhinos, and zebras roam against the backdrop of Nairobi’s skyline.

PRAY FOR KENYA

- Give thanks for a growing hunger for Scripture amongst believers.
- Pray for continued translation efforts into KiSwahili so students can access studies in their heart-language
- Ask God to raise up more leaders, especially among younger generations
- Pray for zeal in believer’s hearts to study Scripture for themselves.

Leadership Spotlight

For Pastor Stephen Kyalo, helping others engage deeply with Scripture is more than a ministry responsibility – it is a calling. Serving in Machakos County, Kenya, as a pastor, theological teacher, and Bible study leader, he is passionate about equipping believers to discover God’s truth for themselves and apply it in their daily lives.

Pastor Stephen was introduced to Precept Bible studies two years ago and quickly recognised their value for discipleship and spiritual growth. Over the past six months, he has guided his disciples through five Precept studies, witnessing remarkable growth along the way. **What encourages him most is seeing students gain confidence in handling Scripture and allowing Biblical truth to shape their lives.**

One of the greatest rewards of leading the group has been hearing participants regularly share how their understanding of God’s Word has deepened, with several having started training to be leaders themselves.



Leading with Purpose



A recent leaders training in Ethiopia brought believers together to explore the life-changing message of Biblical forgiveness. Participants worked through the study: *Forgiveness: Breaking the Power of the Past*, and considered the importance of extending forgiveness, finding healing from past hurts, and embracing the freedom that comes through Jesus' work on the cross.

The sessions provided a meaningful opportunity for spiritual growth, reflection, and encouragement, equipping attendees to apply these Biblical principles within their families, churches, and communities.

As students engaged with God's Word for themselves, many were reminded that forgiveness is not only a gift we receive from God, but also one we are called to extend to others.

Building Strong Marriages

Twenty-five couples seeking to strengthen their marriages gathered together to study: *Building a Marriage That Really Works*, which dealt with healthy communication, and the importance of building relationships on the foundation of Scripture. Many shared how the lessons helped them address longstanding challenges and develop healthier patterns within their marriages.

Several participants testified that broken relationships had begun to heal as they applied the Biblical principles that they learned during the training. Others expressed a renewed commitment to relying on God's Word as they lead their families and navigate difficulties together. **The impact extended beyond individual couples, with many recognising the church's role in supporting and strengthening marriages within the wider community.**

Encouraged by what they learned, participants are now planning to begin weekly Bible study groups in their homes, creating ongoing opportunities for growth, accountability, and encouragement. **What began as a single training event is already bearing fruit as marriages and families are strengthened through God's Word.**



Raising Leaders in Hermanus

What happens when pastors from different denominations come together around God's Word? In Hermanus, the answer is simple: communities are strengthened, leaders are equipped, and new opportunities for discipleship emerge.

On 13 June 2026, pastors and ministry leaders from various church backgrounds gathered. Using the 40-Minute Study: *Rising to the Call of Leadership*, David, the Precept South Africa Ministry Representative, encouraged participants to embrace their role as servant leaders and to invest intentionally in the spiritual growth of others.

The impact of the training extends far beyond the one-day gathering. **Each participant committed to launching a Bible study group within their own sphere of influence, resulting in an anticipated 171 new students engaging with Scripture through the Precept Method.**



Igniting a Passion for God

Young leaders have a unique opportunity to influence the next generation, and recently, a group of student leaders in Summerstrand, Gqeberha, took an important step toward doing just that.

Hosted by the Student Christian Organisation (SCO), the training brought together 31 youth leaders eager to grow in their faith and strengthen their ability to disciple others. They worked through the 40-Minute Study: *Ignite Your Passion for God*, exploring what it means to pursue a vibrant and authentic relationship with Christ.

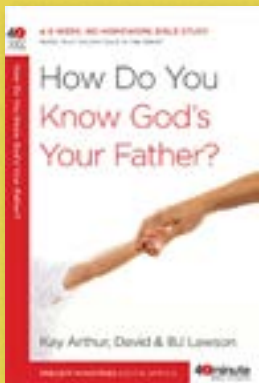
As the participants spent time in the Word and discussed practical ways to lead others, a vision began to emerge for multiplying discipleship among young people on campuses and within local communities. **The training has already resulted in 12 new leaders committing to start Bible study groups of their own. With an estimated 20 students participating in each class, approximately 240 young people will have the opportunity to engage with God's Word through these new groups.**

What began as a single training event now has the potential to impact hundreds of lives, equipping a new generation of leaders to influence their peers with truth, hope, and a growing passion for God.

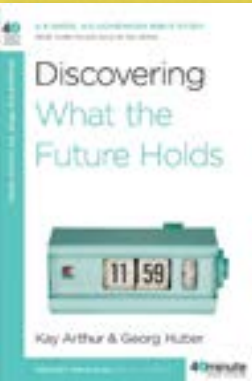
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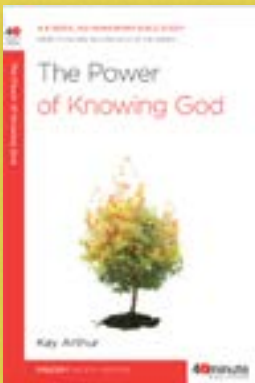
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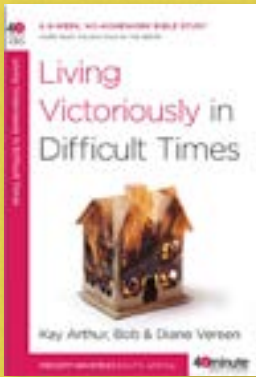
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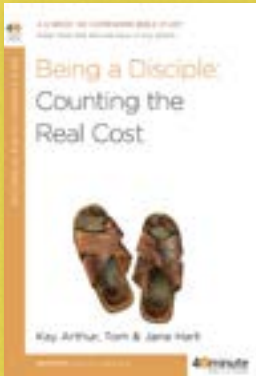
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'Look-Insides' of all these resources are available to download for free, so you can get an overview of the study and do the first lesson.

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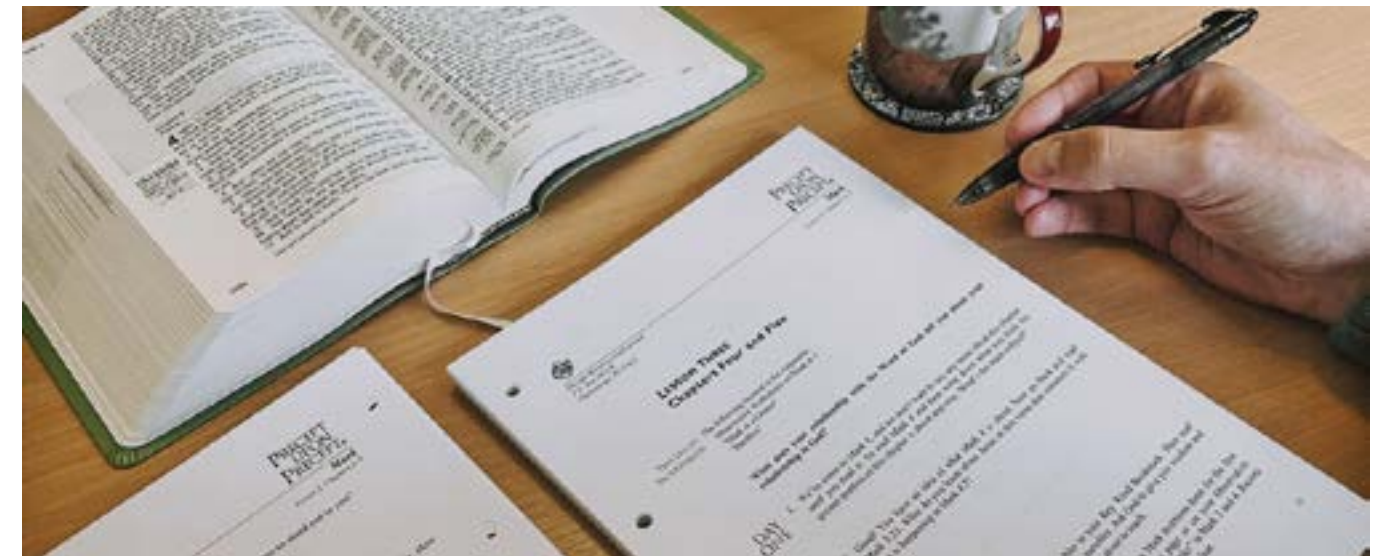
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About the Precept Africa Institute

The Precept Africa Institute is a **three-year programme made up of nine intensive training sessions. Students gather every four months for two weeks of in-depth Bible study** before returning to their churches and communities to put what they have learned into practice.

Because various countries are often at different stages of the programme, students across Africa may be studying different sessions at any given time. The goal is simple: to equip believers to know God deeply, handle His Word accurately, and make disciples who do the same.



Students from Precept East Africa, Nigeria, Madagascar, and South Africa recently gathered for **Level 1, Session 3** of the Precept Africa Institute, where they worked through the study: *Marriage Without Regrets* which explores God's design for marriage and family.

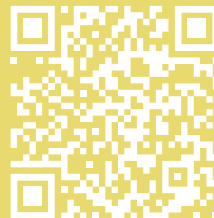
Earlier this month, a separate cohort completed **Level 2, session 7** on the book of *Revelation* which was an enlightening exploration of a book that many often avoid due to its complexity. However, using the inductive method made the text more accessible and compelling for students who went away with a broader understanding of the book. **Don't miss out – register TODAY!**

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