

Central African Preaching Academy

Training pastors to study, practice, and teach God's Word



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MEET ERNEST

Ernest Kanzangaza serves as a youth pastor at a church of about 300 (a medium-sized church) in Lilongwe. He also oversees evangelism and church planting. Outside his church, Ernest leads a bi-weekly Bible study for a number of people that he has evangelized and/or disciplined over the years. He aspires to be a senior pastor someday and "teach the whole counsel of God's Word" (he says this emphasizing "whole").



Some time back, Ernest became frustrated with the way preachers bounce around in their sermons. Why do people preach from a passage one week and then from an entirely different one the next week?

What about the next verse? What does it say? Doesn't that one apply? Why doesn't anyone teach through the Bible verse by verse?

"I want to understand, to read my Bible through, to teach it through. I want to know the Bible," he says. But there was nowhere to go to learn how to do this.

Last week, Ernest told me that he has been praying for over 6 years for a school that would teach him to preach the entire Bible and that Central African Preaching Academy (CAPA) is an answer to that prayer.

Earlier in the semester, Ernest mentioned that he and his wife had committed to making whatever sacrifice necessary to get him through our program. With a greater understanding of the context, I am encouraged that much more by his comment.



CAPA Milestones for 2014

- February: Signed our rental contract, securing facilities for up to five years
- August: Welcomed our first incoming class of 41 pastors
- September: Shipped 4,000 books from the U.S. for our library

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Ernest does not get paid by his church. So he works as a welder to pay his bills. On good month, he brings home \$100; on a bad month, nothing.

It costs about \$1,000 per student per year for CAPA tuition, books, and meals (breakfast and lunch) while school is in session (we joke that if word ever gets out, seminary students from the States will be moving to Malawi to enroll in our program because it's so inexpensive). Since most cannot afford that, CAPA raises funds to subsidize about 90% of that cost.

For pastors like Ernest, even \$100 a year is a lot to ask. The biggest challenge our students face is not having enough money for school fees. Every module, there are a handful of students who cannot make the \$10 payment that is due.

Please pray with us for CAPA and for adequate resources so that pastors like Ernest can continue their education.

By His grace,



James Ayres
President
Central African Preaching Academy

THIS SEMESTER WE HAD FOUR GUEST LECTURERS:



Steve Williams from Grace Community Church of Seal Beach, California taught Hermeneutics (Bible Interpretation) in August



Paul Hamline from The Bible Church of Little Rock, Arkansas taught Biblical Counseling in September



Ryan Mitchell from Grace Fellowship of Pretoria, South Africa taught Biblical Covenants in October



Andrew Zekveld from Grace Fellowship of Pretoria, South Africa taught History of Preaching in November



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If a pastor from your church would like to teach a modular class or if your church is interested in partnering with CAPA, please email info@capamalawi.org



We will be at Shepherd's Conference (www.shepherdsconference.org) in March and would love to get together with you to tell you more about CAPA.

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