

## Newsletter

# EZRA Generation November, 2022 Conference 2022 ...3 in 1



Since July, the whole GBUR family has been working tirelessly towards this unique conference and we praise God all this is now a great testimony. This Ezra Conference encompassed 3 conferences in 1: a mission conference, a pastors' conference and a students and graduates conference. It took a lot of hardwork and partnership but the Lord have seen us through. 620 participants have been blessed. "It was a great time, my soul was refreshed. The fellowship, the expositions, and just the opportunity to get away from my daily routine and simply focus on God's word that is rightly handled, were such a treaty to my soul. Thank you so much GBUR for putting all this together. We should do this more often." One of the graduates who attended all three conferences shared.

#### Started with Missions & Pastors

The Mission conference brought together 118 participants from all walks of life, who are using their careers and occupation to advance the Gospel in their respective circle of influence. We had different leaders and it was a time to reflect on why we do what we do. We studied the book of Jonah. "Since I am like Jonah, I have seen that God is giving me a second chance, I will use it wisely." shared Niyonkuru Honorine.





For pastors, the focus

was on expository preaching and it brought together 99 participants pastors and other ministry leaders in church. For most it was their first time to hear about expository preaching. "How can you find Christ in every passage!" They were amazed, as the speaker showed them step by step. Their final question was: "Why don't we have such conferences more often?" May the Lord help us!

### Concluded with students & graduates

The conference for students and graduates brought together 403 participants. Mostly students and graduates from different campuses here in Rwanda, but also friends of GBUR from neighboring countries. Kyakimwa Musorongi Verite from DRC shared: "I have learnt that we have to obey God and spend more time studying his word deeply. I have committed to read my Bible daily in order to know God more." It was also a time to engage international students who are studying here in Rwanda.





One of the uniqueness of this conference is that one of the main speakers Manasseh (see photo on the left), a former vice-chairman of GBUR, his passion for ministry was ignited in Ezra generation conference a few years ago when he was still a student. He is now a pastor in Canada and he is igniting the same passion in the next generation not only by speaking in conferences like this but also mobilizing different resources in order to see the gospel faithfully proclaimed all over the word.

### Keep on praying with us...

As we celebrate God's faithfulness in this conference

- We praise God for his provision in these conferences and the impact they made.
- We praise God for his faithfulness, the student ministry continues to thrive, more students are coming to Christ, and new leaders are being elected. It gives us hope for the future of the ministry in the years to come.
- A number of our members are finishing their studies. Pray that God will make a way so that we can organize a "LIFE AFTER CAMPUS CONFERENCE" to give them some Christian guidance as they enter life outside the campus.
- Most GBUs have new leaders now. We need to organize leadership conferences for private Universities, IPRCs, and UR. Pray for the new leaders and that God will provide so that they can learn how to effectively lead their GBUs.

In Christ,



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