## 2022 Northern Africa Regional Conference Report

## **Vision of God**

## Genesis 12: 2

"I will make you into great nation and I will bless you, I will make your name great and you will be a blessing."

Praise be to God for blessing 2022 Northern Africa regional Bible conference richly. The theme of the conference was "Vision of God". Through this conference, God has given us a new vision that northern Africa can be missionaries sending nations to Arab and Islamic world. Thank God for sending his precious servants pastor Ron Ward, Darvilla Ward and pastor John Seo from Chicago UBF HQ. Missionary Andrew and Hope Kim came from Namsan UBF South Korea. We are thankful to God for sending them to support the conference materially and spiritually. Their participation in the conference was great encouragement to coworkers in North Africa. Twelve members from Egypt UBF (Cairo and Assiut chapter) and two members from Khartoum, Sudan participated in the conference. Total of 71 people attended the conference (57 adult and 14 children).

In the first day the conference Started by opening message "Teach Me Your Ways" (psalm 25:4-10) delivered by sh. Johnson Deng, followed by main message 1 "Get Up and Walk" (John 5: 1-17) delivered by sh. Johnson Daniel. He emphasized that there are many spiritual disabilities that paralyzed and hindering us from serving the Lord. The vision of God for us who are paralyzed by sin is to get up and walk from our sinful life and move on to accomplish his mission.

At the evening we listen to five life testimonies. Two students (Fady Ayman and Waleed Husney) shared their life testimonies from Cairo chapter. Fady Aman received the sense of mission and responsibility after his father left to USA. After the death of his father, Waleed Husney learnt to entrust his life and future to God who is his true Father. On the other hand, three shepherds shared their life testimony from South Sudan. Sh. Elia Peter confessed his sin that made one sister to leave ministry. Sh. Rejoice Michael and sh. Alor Beyoung leant the power of forgiveness from Jesus and they could forgive those who offended them.

In the second day we start with morning devotion given by Dr. Theresa Caleb with the title "Rebuild the Temple". Ezra 6. In second main message with the title "You

Will Be a Blessing" (Genesis 12: 1-9) was delivered by sh. Stephen Dak. Through that message God gave us new vision that we can be a source of blessing if we obey God and live by faith like Abram, no matter what our condition is. Participants wrote and shared gracious testimonies. One of our young leaders confess his sin of trying to divorce his wife and remarriage another woman. But through the message in the conference he received the word of God from John 5: 8 "Then Jesus said to him "Get up! Pick up your mat and Walk". He confessed that he was paralyzed by keep anger against his wife for last 5 years. God helped his to repent his sin and decided to reunite with his wife and children. Praise God.

At the evening we listen to powerful and graceful lecture from guest pastor Michael Aban "Do You Truly Love Me" (John 21: 1- 25). Then sh. Padiet Deng gave a presentation about 10th anniversary of Juba UBF, South Sudan. We remembered God grace, blessing and protection throughout the course of pioneering work. God provide whatever we need and the UBF church in Juba is well established now. Thanks and glory be to God for establishing UBF in South Sudan despite challenges and difficulties. Our vision for the coming 10 years is to focus on raising more disciples of Jesus, establish house churches and send missionaries.

In the third day started with morning devotion given by Shs. Kimo Philip Ezra devoted himself to teach the word of God. Ezra 7. The third main message with the title "Enlarge the Place of Your Tent" (Isa 54: 1-17) was delivered by Dr. Rose Peter. God used her to delivered a powerful message full of the Holy Spirit and real vision of God for North Africa. In her message, sh. Rose confess her previous sins that made her like a barren woman. We could see the vision that God will use Egypt to be missionaries sending nation to Arab and Islamic world soon.

UBF General Director pastor Ron Ward gave a closing message from the book of Joshua 1: 1- 9 with the title "Be courageous". God used him preciously to strengthen and encourage North Africa UBF chapters not to be afraid of anything and not to compromise the word of God, but to depend on God alone and expecting great things from God by attempting great things for God. After the closing message we had Baptism ceremony of Deng Akoi, by P. Ron Ward. Brother Deng joint UBF last 4 years during his colleague time. Right away from conference venue we visited and have a praying time at University of Juba campus. We prayed to have a permanent base inside the campus in near future for effective evangelism activities.

## Prayer topic:

- 1. 100 weekly Bible study and SWS.
- 2. Raise more shepherds and excellent bible teacher.

- 3. To make extension in bible house both vertically and horizontally.
- 4. To pioneer 5 public Universities and Catholic University.
- 5. UBF leaders to find good job for self-supporting.
- 6. Establish 20 houses church by the year 2032.
- 7. To send long term missionaries to chad and central Africa by the year 2032.