

## **(South Sudan) Harvest is Plentiful: 2025 South Sudan Summer Bible Conference Report (By Peasant Ro)**

Praise be to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for blessing the South Sudan Bible Conference beyond our imagination. God sent an average of 53 participants who attended and participated in the conference effectively.

Before commencing the conference, we had spent time in prayer and fasting; we practiced intermittent fasting every Saturday for four consecutive weeks. Through these prayers and fasting, our hearts and minds were prepared and filled with love and compassion to do our part perfectly.

Dr. Oyor Moses volunteered his time to help the messengers in preparing and drafting the messages, as well as to guide the group Bible leaders, while other shepherds focused on other activities as per each person's assignment. Because of this earlier preparation, the Holy Spirit led us to focus on the conference despite the surrounding hardship and economic situation. Thanks and praise be to God and our Lord Jesus Christ.

We held the conference in our Bible house, which can accommodate only 50 to 60 people. Due to financial constraints, we were forced to have it there. Juba is still lacking affordable conference facilities. The best venue for such a conference would require more than \$5,000 for only three days and two nights for 50 people. Anyway, we are so thankful for what God did through His Word, giving life.

Through this conference, we had seven group Bible studies for the three Bible study sessions and three main messages. Each group was led by a senior shepherd.

The conference commenced on Friday, 24th October. Though the weather was hot and the roads were blocked due to the ongoing trial of the Vice President of the nation, attendees found their way to the Bible house.

The opening message was delivered by Sh. Philip Angelo, based on the book of Isaiah 55:1–3, with the title “Come and Listen.” He paved the way to prepare our hearts for the conference. The first main message was delivered by Sh. Taban Moses, based on the book of Jeremiah 1:1–19, “God’s Calling.” Through it, we learned that God knew us even before we were born and set us apart for the work He prepared for each one of us — to be used for His glory. Sh. Taban has been faithful and dedicated to serving the Lord with all his heart. He has been delivering messages continuously for the last four years, besides being the only one who plays

the piano.

Finally, we heard a beautiful testimony from Garang Mywen, who has been studying the Bible for the last three years. He is very humble and a servant of all.

The second day commenced with morning devotion based on the Daily Bread passage for October 25th (Acts 21:37–22:16). The message was delivered for the first time by Shepherd Febi Thon, coworker of Sh. Padiet, emphasizing that we must be witnesses of Jesus' gospel. The second main message was delivered by Sh. George Mario, based on John 15:1–15, "Remain in Me." He encouraged us to remain in Jesus' love if we want to bear much fruit — the fruit of repentance, the Holy Spirit, and Jesus' mission. Sh. George is one of the loyal and growing leaders; he never missed Bible study throughout the year.

During the day, we had Bible testimony writing and sharing. Many confessed about being lazy and not committed to God or following His ways. Many also confessed that they did not know they were very special in God's eyes. "God Knew You" was a very inspiring message to every single person in the conference.

Because most South Sudanese are neglected by the government and families, and lack shepherds due to war, instability, and devastating circumstances, many graduates are jobless, hopeless, and homeless. Such circumstances raise the question, "Did God know me?"

Then we had a lecture about spiritual warfare, given by Sh. Padiet Deng. It opened our eyes to know our enemies, the tactics of the devil, and how we should protect ourselves — as well as the certain victory we have in Jesus. We must stand firm in our victory and in the stronghold of God.

The third day commenced with group Bible study, followed by the third main message, which was delivered by Sh. Regina Michael, a coworker of Sh. Johnson Deng, based on Matthew 9:35–38, "The Harvest Is Plentiful." She delivered a graceful and powerful message, opening our minds to see the plentiful harvest at the University of Juba and other universities.

Yes indeed, the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Since it is a holy mission from God, we must pray that God may compel us and His people to do the work by all means. We just need to submit ourselves to Him through prayer. May Almighty God enable us to work in the field and bring more souls to Christ.

Our Sunday school participated in the Sunday worship with a beautiful song and dance for Christ. Then we listened to a heart-moving testimony by sheep Awic Chol, who has been studying the Bible for the last three years. We could see his spiritual growth, especially after moving and living a common life in the Bible house.

Moses Meen came from Rumbek University, spending around eight hours driving to Juba. This university was recently pioneered by Dr. Oyor Moses. We are praying for him to be the Abraham of faith for UBF Rumbek.

After the conference, new students registered for one-to-one Bible study and were encouraged to engage in Bible studies weekly and attend Sunday worship.

In this conference, two main messages were given in English for the first time, since many young generations who speak English are joining the ministry. The conference was streamed online for three days. You may visit South Sudan UBF on Facebook to review it.

#### Prayer Topics

May the Word of God through this conference encourage us that God knew us even in the midst of hardship — to remain faithful, bear fruit, and go out to reach wonderful students.

Pray for the new students to start one-to-one Bible study without fail, and that God may lead the shepherds to care for them in the right way.

Pray for the two sheep who shared their life testimonies — that they may keep growing in faith as future leaders for Juba UBF Ministry.

Pray for Moses Meen from Rumbek University to be the Abraham of faith and for the completion of pioneering there.

Pray to find a way of completing the pioneering work at Dr. John Garang Memorial University.

