

Application for Support from the Final Frontiers Foundation, Inc.

Personal Information:

Name: Elisha Wandabwa

Name you are called by if different:

Your birthday: 4/14/1973

Your wife's name: Hellen Cheruto

Your wife's birthday: 8/5/1984

Your tribe (if any): Luyah

Your wife's tribe (if any): Kalenjin

Date of your marriage: 5/1/2006

What is your nationality?: Kenya

What country do you live in?: Kenya

What city/town do you live in?: Sigor

How far away is a large city?: 67

What is the name of the large city?: Kapenguria

In what direction is the large city?: West

Your children's names and birthdates:

Name: Manuel Wekesa, Birthday: 23/12 2001

Name: Rose Nasambu, Birthday: 15/03 2007

Name: Abigael Namaemba, Birthday: 14/4/2008

Name: Tabitha, Birthday: 5/12/2015

1 - Please write a detailed testimony of your salvation and call to the ministry.

I receive Jesus Christ as my personal savior as a youth in 1988 at the Kipkorin Bible Baptist Church, and was baptized in October of 1988. I began working in the church, I sang in the youth choir and later became a youth leader. I new God had called me for ministry, I attended the Baptist Bible Theological in Makutano Kapenguria and graduated in 2010. I worked as an assistant Pastor at Kipkorir and then went to Kapenguria and started a Church in 2011. God then led me to Sigor in West Pokot, this is a desert region very hot and dry. God as worked great things and we hae seen God do many things. We have over 200 people coming to Church, we have started 3 new churches.

2 - Please write your personal doctrinal statement.

Doctrinal Position

A. Statement of Doctrine

The following basic doctrines contained in the Holy Scriptures are adopted:

1. The Holy Scriptures

We believe the Holy Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God, authoritative, inerrant, and God-breathed. (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Matthew 5:18; John 16:12-13)

2. The Godhead

We believe in one Triune God, existing in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, eternal in being, identical in nature, equal in power and glory and having the same attributes and perfections. (Deuteronomy 6:4; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

3. The Total Depravity of Man

We believe that man was created in the image and likeness of God, but that in Adam's sin the human race fell, inherited a sinful nature, became alienated from God, and is totally unable to retrieve his original condition. (Genesis 1:26-27; Romans 3:22-23; 5:12; Ephesians 2:12)

4. The Person and Work of Christ

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, became man, without ceasing to be God, having been conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary, in order that He might reveal God and redeem sinful man; that He accomplished our redemption through His death on the cross as a substitutionary sacrifice; that our redemption is made sure to us by His literal physical resurrection from the dead (John 1:1-2, 14; Luke 1:35; Romans 3:24-25; 4:25; 1 Peter 1:3-5); that the Lord Jesus Christ is now in heaven, exalted at the right hand of God the Father, where as the High Priest for His people, He fulfills the ministry of Representative, Intercessor and Advocate. (Hebrews 9:24; 7:25; Romans 8:34; 1 John 2:1-2).

5. The Personality and Work of the Holy Spirit

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a person who convicts the world of sin, indwells all believers in the present age, baptizes them into the Body of Christ, seals them unto the day of redemption, and that it is the duty of every believer to be filled by the Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; Ephesians 1:13-14; 5:18)

6. Salvation

We believe that salvation in every dispensation is the gift of God brought to man by grace and received by personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ whose precious blood was shed for the forgiveness of our sins (Ephesians 2:8-10; John 1:12; Ephesians 1:7).

7. The Eternal Security of Believers

We believe that all believers are kept secure forever. (Romans 8:1, 38-39; John 10:27-30; 1 Corinthians 1:4-8)

8. The Church

We believe that the Church, which is now the Body and will be the Bride of Christ, is a spiritual organism made up of all born-again believers of this Age irrespective of their affiliation with Christian organizations. (Ephesians 1:22-23; 5:25-27; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14)

9. The Personality of Satan

We believe in the personality of Satan, who is the open and declared enemy of God and man. (Job 1:6-7; Matthew 4:2-11; Isaiah 14:12-17)

10. The Blessed Hope

We believe that the next great event in the fulfillment of prophecy will be the coming of the Lord Jesus in the air to receive to Himself the dead in Christ and believers who are alive at His coming, otherwise known as the Rapture and Translation of the Church. (1 Corinthians 15:51-57; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Titus 2:11-14)

11. The Tribulation

We believe that the Rapture of the Church will be followed by the fulfillment of Daniel's seventieth week, the latter half of which is the time of Jacob's trouble, the Great Tribulation. (Daniel 9:27; Jeremiah 30:7; Matthew 24:15-21; Revelation 6:1-19; 21)

12. The Second Coming of Christ

We believe that the Great Tribulation will be climaxed by the Premillennial return of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth to set up His kingdom. (Zechariah 14:4-11; Matthew 24:15-25, 46; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10; Revelation 20:6)

13. The Eternal State

We believe that the human soul and human spirit of those who have believed in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation do at death immediately pass into His presence, and there remain in conscious bliss until the resurrection of the body at His coming, when soul, human spirit and body reunited will be associated with Him forever in the glory; but the souls of unbelievers remain after death in conscious misery until the final judgment of the great white throne at the close of the millennium, when the soul and body reunited will be cast into the lake of fire, not to be annihilated, but to be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power. (Luke 16:19-26; 23:43; 2 Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:23; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; Jude 6-7; Revelation 20:11-15)

14. The Responsibility of Believers

We believe that all believers should seek to walk in such a manner as to not bring reproach upon their Lord and Saviour, that it is the obligation of every believer to witness by life and by word to the truths of the Holy Scriptures and to seek to proclaim the Gospel to all the world (Acts 1:8); that it is the responsibility of all believers to remember the work of the Lord in prayer and to support it with their means as the Lord has prospered them. (1 Corinthians 16:2)

15. Church Ordinance

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ instituted the ordinances of baptism by immersion and the Lord's Supper to be observed until His return. (Mt. 28:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

16. Sovereignty

We believe that God, existing as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, is sovereign, and exercises supreme and absolute rule over all creation as a part of and consistent with the essence and attributes of deity. (1 Chronicles 29:11-12; Daniel 4:35; Psalm 24:1; Ephesians 1:11; 1 Timothy 6:15)

17. Spirituality

Spirituality is the condition of being saved, clean before the Lord through confession of personal sins, yieldedness to God the Holy Spirit, and walking in the light.

We believe that a believer becomes carnal through an act of mental, verbal or overt sin and that fellowship with God is restored by confession of sin and walking in the light. While confessed sin produces forgiveness and cleansing of sins, fellowship with God requires walking in the light. (Galatians 5:16; Ephesians 5:18; Romans 6:6, 11, 13; 1 Corinthians 11:30-31; 1 John 1:7, 9)

18. Spiritual Gifts

We believe that God the Holy Spirit in grace and apart from human merit sovereignly bestows spiritual gifts to believers in this dispensation. The permanent spiritual gifts which exist today are Pastor-Teacher, evangelist, governments, ruling, exhortation, teacher, ministry, helps, giving and mercy.

3 - Please write a brief testimony of your wife.

My wife was saved in the Kipkorion Bible Baptist Church in Trans Zoia county in 1999. She was saved at a youth camp in Makutano. She was baptized the same year. She began helping in the children's ministry of the church, she was disciple by the pastor's wife. She knew God wanted to use her, she attended the Baptist Bible Theological Institute in Makutano. She helps very much in the ministry. She discipled new women who have been saved. she teaches and trains Sunday School workers in our church.

Financial:

4 - List your monthly needs and costs.

House rent and food 3,000 Ksh. School fees for the children and uniforms with shoes 1500 Ksh. transport 1,000 Ksh.

5 - Do you have any monthly income, and if so, how much?

no, I work part time as a builder when there is work.

6 - Are you employed by a denomination? (Do you receive a salary from a denomination?)

no

7 - Do you work any other jobs, and if so, what are they? How many hours do they require each week?

I work when there is work but most time, no. If I work sometimes 20 hours a week.

Ministry Experience:

8 - Please list the types of ministries you are regularly involved in.

Church Planting
Discipleship
Open Air Evangelism
Film Team
Literature Distribution
Tribal Evangelism
Child Evangelism
Evangelism

9 - Are you actively and consistently involved in training others for the ministry?

Yes

10 - What are the names of preachers that you have trained? Where do they serve?

Stephen Lokupe; Alaye Bible Baptist Church John Wanyama Mali Tisa Bible Baptist Church West Pokot, Sigor and Walter Wanyonyi
Marich Bible Baptist Church Sigor

11 - Where did you attend Bible school? Who trained you for the ministry?

Makutano Baptist Bible Theological Institute, Rev. Randall Stirewalt

12 - What ministries have you been involved with in the past and where were they?

Assistant Pastor; Kipkorin bible Baptist Church. Pastor Kapenguria Calvary Bible Baptist Church, Pastor Sigor bible Baptist Church where I am now.

13 - How many churches have you started?

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14 - What are their names? Where are they located?

Alaye Bible Baptist Church Sigor Division West Pokot, Mali Tisa Bible Baptist Church Sigor Division West Pokot, Marich Bible Baptist Church West Pokot, Calvary Bible Baptist Kapenguria

15 - What countries do you serve in and what tribal groups do you work with?

Kenya, Luyah Pokot, Kalinjin

16 - How many languages do you speak and what are they?

Luyah, Kalinjin and some little English

17 - How many souls have you led to Christ in your life? - How many have you baptized in your life?

250 - 200

18 - Do you work alone or with other preachers? Give details.

I work a group of pastors in the Sigor Division of West Pokot. I also work with the West Pokot Fellowship of Pastors. We work together to start new churches.

Relevant Family Information:

19 - Are all of your children Christians and have they been baptized? If not, please explain.

First born is saved and baptized, the other are still young.

20 - What is your house made of and how many rooms does it have?

It is a small mud house with two rooms.

21 - What are your favorite foods

Ugali, Chapati and rice

22 - Describe a typical daily schedule.

I get up early at 5:00 and read and study Bible, have a cup of tea. If there is work I go to work in the mornings. In the afternoons I do visitation of the sick, door to door visitation. I preach in 3 primary schools each month. I also do a after school teaching time to children each week for 3 schools. On Saturday we prepare for Sunday Service. We clean the church building, choir practice and final study for sermon. Sunday is Church.

23 - Describe your wife's typical daily schedule.

Early rise, prepares breakfast for the children. She helps the children to be ready for school. She does house chores in the morning. In the afternoon she helps with visitation, teaches discipleship with women two times a week. She also teaches children in after school program. Saturday choir practice, preparation for Sunday. Evenings she prepares food and after we eat we have Bible Study and prayer together.

24 - Do you grow your own food or do you purchase it?

Our place is very arid, unable to grow food.

Accountability:

25 - Though you will not be employed by Final Frontiers, will you be willing to acknowledge (when asked in person or in writing) that you receive support from us?

Yes

Summary:

If you would like to give us any other information than what was asked for, you may do so.

Group Director: Randall Stirewalt

Date: 4/4/2018 3:19:13 AM

Kenya – Marriage dates

You may notice that on this application the marriage date is often after they have had several children. While they have had a church wedding many years prior, they are not able to get a marriage certificate until they have a civil wedding which can only be done after the husband has bought his wife from her family. This is sadly a cultural thing that hopefully in the future will change. Here are a few more details from our group director;

I guess you know here in Kenya the wife is bought by the family of the husband. Until the agreed price is paid they are forbidden by the family of the wife to have a church wedding. In those cases the payments are made but the husband and wife as agreed by both families live together as man and wife. When she is fully paid for then the wedding takes place. At the time of the agreement of both parents so there is no marriage certificate in this case.

They do have a family ceremony at the time of coming together. But there is no government registration until which time the bride price is paid. This seems like an African problem but even today the family of the bride is very determined that she be paid for in full first.