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in his heart, so is he.*
Proverbs 23:7a

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FEATURED TEACHING:

Taking the Limits off God Through Your Imagination

TAKING THE LIMITS OFF GOD THROUGH YOUR IMAGINATION



A big part of my personal testimony is a result of when God taught me about the power of imagination and not limiting Him. I got born again when I was eight years old. As an adult in 1968, I had an encounter with the Lord that made me realise what a religious hypocrite I was, and I repented. I expected God's wrath and judgment, but instead He showered me with supernatural love for four and a half months.

During that time, I felt God telling me to share with others what I learned about identity and grace. So, I started heading in that direction, but there was a lot of frustration. It wasn't God causing the frustration; it was all of the junk that was inside of me that was hindering the Lord from flowing through me.

In 2000, God told me to go on TV, and things started to improve. By 2002, the ministry had doubled in size, so I was on the right path. But then the Lord spoke to me through Psalm 78, which is a retelling of what God did with the Israelites when they left Egypt and how

they just constantly turned around and rebelled at Him.

How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him in the desert! Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.

Psalm 78:40–41

God had nothing but good plans for the Israelites (Jer 29:11) and wanted to bring them out of Egypt and into the land He had promised them, but they just wouldn't cooperate. Every time they ran into a hard place, they'd start complaining and talking about dying in the wilderness and wishing they could go back to Egypt.

God was trying to bring them into something better, but they just constantly hindered what He wanted them to do.

Notice that it says they *often* provoked Him, and turned back and tempted the Holy One of Israel.

On January 31, 2002, the Lord spoke Psalm 78:41 to me, and it's probably the second-most-important encounter I've ever had with the Lord as far as the results that it made in my ministry. He told me, "You're limiting what I can do through you with your small thinking." Even though I knew what God wanted for my life and believed I'd reach people worldwide, I realised I was limiting Him in many ways. The biggest way was that I knew His plan, but I couldn't picture it or see myself doing those things.

After years of rejection, I'd gotten used to people not liking me. Surprisingly, in the last decade, things changed, and I started being accepted by the same people who used to reject me. It felt really weird because I



wasn't used to it. But after decades of thinking small and not imagining the big things God was giving me vision for, I knew I had to confront it, but I was fearful of seeming proud.

Those past rejections made me keep my dreams quiet, even from Jamie. It was hard for me to see myself reaching a lot of people, but I knew God wanted my ministry to be huge. So, I had to stop limiting what God could do in my life and start seeing the big picture He had in mind for me. And the events that unfolded as a result are nothing short of miraculous.

In 2002, we had 25 staff, and now we have a team of around 1,200. That's a forty-eight-fold increase! Our income has increased by fifty-one times, reaching over \$100 million per year in the U.S. alone, with an additional \$30 million supporting our twenty-two global offices. All this incredible growth unfolded in just twenty-one years. It's truly been an explosive journey.

The turning point wasn't that all of a sudden God started moving. God was moving all along. My own limited thinking and fear of judgment had created a dam in my life because I had been holding back, hesitant to express what God had placed in my heart. But once I broke free from that small mindset, it was like a dam breaking, unleashing the flood of God's intended blessings. **And one of the major catalysts to this was using my imagination.**

You cannot see anything happen on the outside that you haven't seen happen on the inside. That's a big statement right there. You might be praying for your marriage to be restored, for your body to be healed, or for financial prosperity, but you need to meditate on the Word and let it paint a picture on the inside of you. Then whatever you're believing for will come to pass. It's a self-fulfilling prophecy.

The point I'm making is that you can't function without an imagination. Very few people allow the Word of God and His promises to dominate their thinking. Most people have a negative, fearful mindset and limit what God can do. But God has so much more for each and every one of us.

Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

2 Corinthians 2:14

If you're living in a way that shrinks what God can do in and through you, you've got to read the living Word of God and allow Him to speak to you through it. And then at some point you've got to move beyond just reading to visualising the manifestation through your imagination. You've got to see yourself healthy and prosperous. Your life is a reflection of your vision!

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Proverbs 23:7a

Imagination is our spiritual womb, and the conception process is as crucial, if not more so, than the birth. For more in-depth teaching, go to my website at **awme.net/imagination** where you can get *The Power of Imagination* book, CD or DVD series, USB, and introductory booklet *Believing Is Seeing*.

God's got a plan for your life that exceeds your own abilities. I pray this message has stirred up hope within you and inspired you to take the limits off God and start believing Him for big things.

We love you,

Andrew and Jamie

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SEVEN MAJOR LIES TO REJECT ABOUT MARRIAGE



When Adam and Eve encountered Satan in the garden, his aim was not only to ruin their relationship with God but also to sow discord between them. The devil has been intent on destroying marriage since the beginning!

Here are seven lies prevalent in our culture today about family and marriage:

Lie #1: Marriage is just a piece of paper.

The Truth: Marriage is a sacred institution, ordained by Almighty God, where a man leaves his parents to become one with his wife (Gen. 2:24 and Eph. 5:31).

Lie #2: Marriage is a system of oppression against women.

The Truth: There's nothing more important than raising children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. It's deeply fulfilling (Prov. 31:10–30).

Lie #3: It's a sin to have children due to concerns about overpopulation.

The Truth: The entire eight billion global population could fit into Texas with a density of 30,000 people per square mile. This is lower than Manhattan's current population density of nearly 71,000 people per square mile. There's plenty of space (Gen. 1:28)!

Lie #4: It's a sin to have children in the face of climate change.

The Truth: This earth is wounded by sin, and cataclysmic weather events will continue because of sin (Rom. 8:21–22).

Lie #5: Marriage and the traditional family unit is outdated. But if you do happen to get pregnant, you can abort, because it's not a child.

The Truth: Every person reading this was once a developing fetus. At what point was it not you? It was always you at every stage of development (Ps. 139:16). Life and marriage are sacred!

Lie #6: Children don't need both a mother and father to raise them.

The Truth: God's plan involves one man and one woman in the holy bonds of matrimony to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, teaching them God's will for family, sexuality, and overall conduct (Eph. 6:1–4).

Lie #7: There's really no such thing as gender anyway.

The Truth: There are only two genders. God made them male and female (Gen. 1:27).

In John 17:17, Jesus said, "*Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.*" The truth is, there are only two genders, and family stands as the most fundamental institution of society. Matrimony between a man and woman is the only legitimate form of marriage.

That's it in the sight of God!

If this teaching blessed you, don't miss Bishop E. W. Jackson and other special guests on the *Truth and Liberty Live Call-In Show!* Visit TruthandLiberty.net/live to watch it Monday–Friday, 3:30–5:00 p.m. MT.



Bishop E. W. Jackson

Bishop E. W. Jackson is an honorably discharged Marine (1973), Harvard Law School graduate (1978), ordained pastor (1979), and consecrated bishop (1988). He founded The Called Church, in Chesapeake, Virginia, and STAND (Staying True to America's National Destiny). He and his wife, Theodora, have been married for fifty-two years and have three children.

As believers, our shared journey is one of transformation. These testimonials reflect the heartbeat of our ministry and vividly portray the profound power of God to deliver, heal, save, and transform. **Keep reading to find inspiration!**

"Narinder had a fall from his bike two weeks ago, since then he was suffering from pain on his left shoulder. After calling the UK Helpline, the prayer minister bound the pain and loosed healing. After prayer the pain left, and the stiffness left also."

—Narinder

"I am a fairly new Christian walking with the Lord. I was not raised in a church and didn't find salvation until I was fifty years old. Since that day, I've had a personal relationship with Jesus. I found your teachings on TBN and started watching. They have helped me with my walk with Jesus. Thank you for your teachings. They are so helpful!"

—Penny K.

"For several months I've been meeting with residents in a nursing home and leading a Bible study with Andrew's materials. Recently all the participants in the Bible study received salvation. And last week, they all became Spirit filled and began speaking in tongues."

—Marilyn H.

"I've been struggling with hyperthyroidism for about six years. Six months ago, I stopped taking medication because it wasn't working. About the same time, I was introduced to *Charis Healing University*. I started listening to it in my car, and it was life changing! My doctors have confirmed that my thyroid is now functioning at completely normal levels! Praise God!"

—Slavik

"My elderly brother-in-law was sent home to die and the doctors told us that he only had days left. I called the UK Helpline for prayer and the prayer minister agreed with me. My brother-in-law is now getting better and better. The medics just can't explain it. They said he is fine, and they don't need to see him for another 6 months! Thank you Jesus"

—Pamela

"God heals seniors also. Five years ago, I was sent home from the hospital not expected to survive. But I stood on healing scriptures and began listening to Andrew. I purchased the *Healing University* package and I'm glad to say that I am recovering and preaching healing to others today. Thank God and Andrew Wommack Ministries for revelation knowledge."

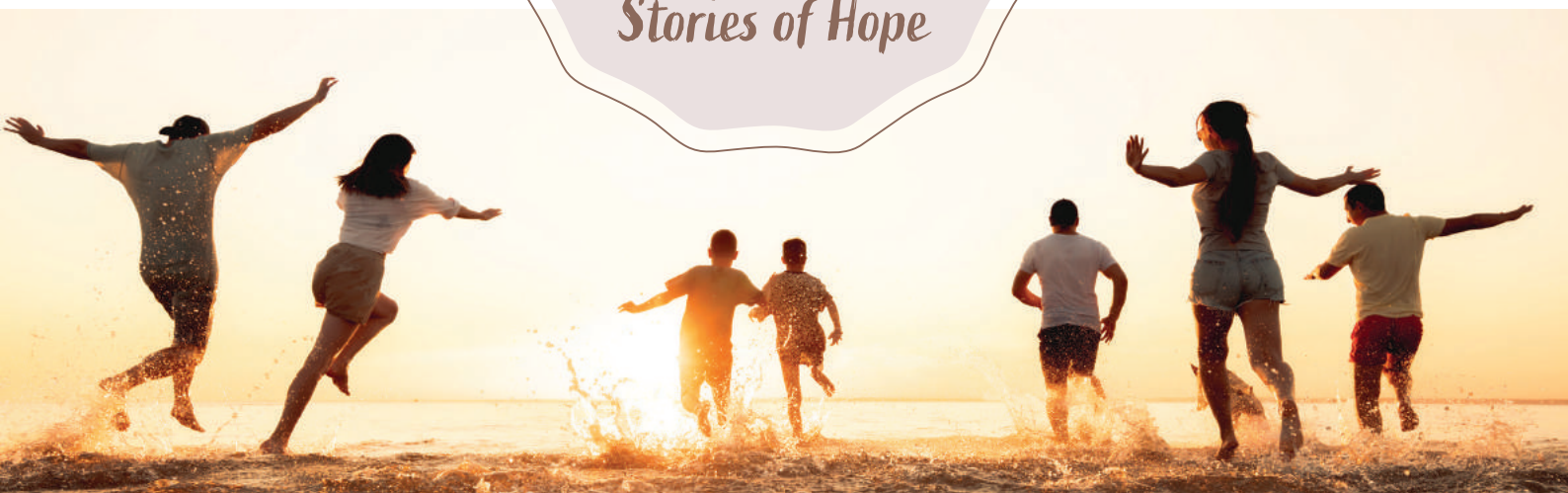
—Richard E.

"Wow! Looking at what the partners and brethren are doing on the Charis Bible College campus and regarding the plans for the future—all I can say is wow! Andrew and the team have taken their faith to another level, allowing us around the world to aim for excellence and believe for better. God bless you all."

—Kevin M.

Testimonies edited for length and clarity.

THE RIPPLE EFFECT: How Change Spreads Through Stories of Hope



FROM PERFECTIONISM TO PURPOSE

It's amazing to see students' lives transformed at Charis Bible College every day by the power of God's Word. His Word is an incorruptible seed that constantly produces fruit that is abundant and life changing! Be encouraged by Chandra's story!

At a very young age, being athletic was something that just came naturally to me. My involvement in athletics taught me great discipline, but I also developed a lot of perfectionism and competitiveness. Even off the field, I looked around at others and compared myself with them because I wanted to make sure I was the best.

The summer before I was supposed to go to college, the Lord just completely changed my course. I listened to Andrew's teaching How to Find, Follow, and Fulfill God's Will, and God confirmed what I had been sensing and hearing about changing my direction to worship and ministry. I became a student at Charis that fall.

When I moved out of the house to go to Charis, I began to feel a lack of control over my life. I kept striving for perfection, thinking I would be more in control if I did things better. I struggled with not feeling good enough and devaluing things I didn't do perfectly.

Once at Charis, I became involved with the worship team and started developing my gifting in that area. I never looked back, and I didn't find it hard to give up my life of sports. As I began leading worship, I received the revelation that it is not my ability and performance that changes lives.

In sports, when you don't perform at the highest level, you are discarded, and the best athletes win. But the kingdom of God operates opposite to the world. In the kingdom, the Lord looks at the heart. God equips us where He has called us. And then it's His ability that changes lives!

The Lord has corrected me more than once from relying on myself to relying on Him. One time when I was feeling insecure leading worship, the Lord said, "Do you think this is about you?" He showed me that in my weakness, He would prove Himself strong. That's when results happen, and

He gets the glory!

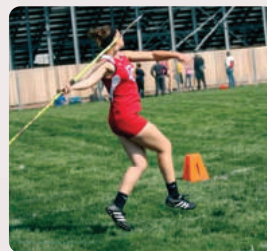
I feel such freedom knowing I don't have to strive to achieve perfection and can trust that He will do great things because He is good. I am not trying to move Him with my performance or impress others with my ability. I can rest knowing that He is pleased with my obedience and my heart. I simply do my best. And He picks up where I left off!

Today, Chandra Erickson is the Director of Charis Worship and the Third-Year Worship School! Her story is only one of the thousands of testimonies that come out of Charis.

If you want to experience what God is doing at Charis or you need a time of refreshment, inspiration, and powerful teaching, please join us at Charis Open Days on 17th - 18th April and 20th April 2024 across the UK and Scotland!

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OVERCOMING RELIGION: *God's Overwhelming Love for You*

Do appeals like these sound familiar to you?

"If you love God, we want you to give like you've never given before!"

"If you love God, sign up, because we're going to evangelise and share the Gospel on Saturday."

"We have all these beautiful children in the ministry, and we need teachers and volunteers. So, if you love the Lord, sign up and help the next generation."

These appeals we often hear in church are not necessarily bad, but sadly, the enemy tries to tell us, "Listen, you're not good enough, haven't done enough, and haven't been planning on doing enough, so how could God love you?" He has tried to foster the idea that God's love for us is based on our actions. But that's not true!

God's love is vastly different than the world's love because His love has no conditions. God doesn't love you if you pray, when you give, and because you serve. God loves you because He is love! God isn't in favour of a condition-based relationship where you constantly feel like you're falling short of the mark.



Take a look at this:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

This says that God so loved that He gave. God isn't in heaven with His arms folded, saying, "I'd better see some movement, some repentance, and some serious desire." His love brought movement so that through Him, there was a way to everlasting life, not just in heaven but on earth!

Romans 8:32 tells us that God delivered His Son up for us all. Not only did He give us Jesus and His love, but in Christ He freely gave us all things! **The goodness of heaven belongs to you, and God is not holding anything back from you based on your performance.**

Nothing can separate you from the love of God (Rom. 8:38–39). Why? Because He is the one who first initiated movement toward you. You weren't the one who started this relationship; it was Him!

I don't know you. I don't know your story. But I know this: the love of God is bigger than anything you've ever experienced! God is not disappointed with you. He loves you and He has great things in store for you.

Visit **GospelTruth.TV** to watch *Life Foundations* and learn more about this amazing love and find free resources to strengthen your faith.



Carrie Pickett spent sixteen years as a missionary in Russia, where she established and directed the Charis campus in St. Petersburg. She later returned to Colorado and is serving as the Assistant Vice President of Charis and AWM International Operations. As the Director of Charis Woodland Park and the Global Training and Leadership Schools, she is dedicated to spreading God's grace worldwide and raising powerful ministers with a Great Commission vision.



**Wendell Parr,
Ministry Ambassador**

With over fifty years in ministry as a pastor, teacher, and now Ministry Ambassador, Wendell teaches some of the most fundamental truths of Christianity. He also serves as an instructor at Charis Bible College, where students receive a wealth of wisdom through his Holy Spirit and New Testament Survey I and II courses.

HOW TO MAKE THE TRUTHS OF HEAVEN A REALITY ON EARTH!

The Bible probably has over one thousand promises in it. The reason you're still here on this earth is so that you can live out every one of them. Do you know how to make the truths established in the heavenlies a reality in your life?

Here are three points to help you make the truths of heaven reality on earth:

#1 Remember your Creator. In Genesis 1:27, you will find the old familiar verse that says, *"God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."* Now, don't just gloss over that. We were created to operate like our Creator—God. Since that's the case, then we can look at the creation verses in the first chapter of Genesis to see how we should act. How did He create the entire universe? By His words! If you were created in His likeness and image, and He placed that much value on what He spoke, then just how important is it to also recognise the power of *your* words?

#2 Recognize the power of your words. There are so many scriptures that express the importance of what you say. For instance, Proverbs 18:21 says, *"Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."* Your words are so powerful that they can change the atmosphere. If you take a look at Romans 10:9–10, you will see that you have to confess with your mouth to even be saved! I am laying the foundation of just how important your words are so that you can recognise their true power. Jesus said that by your words you will be justified or you will be condemned (Matt. 12:37). If they aren't already, it's high time to get your words aligned with the Bible.



#3 Confess what the Word of God says.

Psalm 119:89 tells us that the Word has been eternally settled in heaven. God's promises toward you are already yes and amen (2 Cor. 1:20). All things that pertain to life and godliness belong to you in Christ (2 Pet. 1:3)! Everything that God has promised is an absolute truth in the spiritual realm, but how do you get these truths from the heavenly realm into yours? Just like salvation, every promise was provided two thousand years ago at Calvary. You have to find what is written in the Word of God, believe it in your heart, and confess with your mouth (Mark 11:23) to experience it in your life.

If you want to make the truths of heaven a reality on earth, I hope you will remember these three points!



FROM FINANCIAL STRUGGLE TO ABUNDANT LIVING

Ruth and Michael, middle-class minorities residing in England with a Sikh-Hindu upbringing, could have easily given in to the societal norms of debt and financial struggle. However, their encounter with the teachings at Charis Bible College and the wisdom of Billy Epperhart changed their perspective.

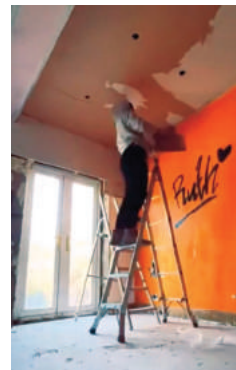
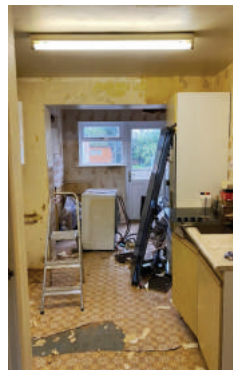
After leaving Sikh Hinduism and being born again, Ruth's adventure with God brought her to Charis in Walsall, England. While sitting under the Word, she discovered not only her new identity in Christ but also the callings and dreams God had for a future ministry in India.

"I started seeing prosperity in my life. Then I thought, *I'm going to walk in faith in the bigger things*," she shares, reflecting on the significant impact of Andrew's teachings. With India having the largest poverty rate in the world, Ruth knew that God didn't just want her to preach the Gospel there but also to bring lasting change by teaching financial stewardship.

After meeting at Charis and marrying, Michael and Ruth began listening to the teachings of Billy Epperhart, the CEO of Andrew Wommack Ministries and WealthBuilders. Thanks to Billy's encouragement on investing in real estate, the couple decided to start purchasing properties on their own. With bidding wars

raising prices sky-high, Ruth and Michael stayed persistent and made offers everywhere they could, believing for what Billy calls a "kairos" moment, or an appointed time in the purpose of God.

"A lot of people put doubt in your mind," Michael says. But the couple remained unafraid and kept pushing forward. Just before COVID-19, they secured their first property deal! It was a victory that would lay the foundation for their future success. Utilising a principle taught by Billy and known in the real estate world as "Buy-Rehab-Rent-Refinance-Repeat," Ruth and Michael leveraged that first investment into a portfolio of multiple properties, and today they have been able to focus solely on their real estate business.



As they continue to "Buy-Rehab-Rent-Refinance-Repeat," Michael and Ruth have set their sights on India, where, in addition to spreading the good news of the Gospel, they will teach others the tools for developing wealth God's way.

In Ruth's words, "We want to help other Christians rise up in their finances or come out of debt."

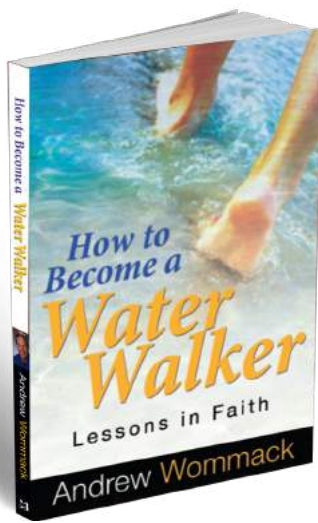
"Whether you're in the UK, Canada, America, or India, it doesn't matter; you can do this wherever you are," shares Michael.

Thank you, partners, for making inspiring testimonies like this possible! To view Ruth and Michael's full story, visit awmi.net/breakthroughs.

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BOOK EXCERPT FROM *HOW TO BECOME A WATER WALKER* BY ANDREW WOMMACK



Fantastic. I highly recommend this book. At a time when I really needed help, it equipped me with everything I needed to face difficult trials in my life. I will probably read it two or three more times. Now I want to read all of Andrew Wommack's books.

—Alex

The only thing that makes something a big deal is our unbelief.

We tend to magnify how terrible our situation is. However, it would do you good just to look at things from God's perspective and realize that it's no big deal.

Jesus was walking on top of the very thing that was raging around the disciples, and they supposed it had been a spirit (Mark 6:49). In other words, they just couldn't believe that this wasn't bothering God. They couldn't believe that He wasn't struggling the same way they were. The disciples were probably thinking, *Surely, this is some kind of vision coming toward us. It can't be real. Jesus can't walk on top of water. This isn't normal. It's not natural!*

God isn't limited the way we are in the physical realm. Yet many times we really do think He is limited. I've been asked, "Have you ever heard of anybody being healed of AIDS before? I've heard

of cancers being healed, but not AIDS." Nothing—absolutely nothing—is impossible with God! Of course He can handle AIDS! But we think, *A million dollars, five million dollars, a house payment, a car payment. This is just too big—even for God.* We expect Him to feel like, "Hey, I just can't pull this off in such a short time. I need more time to do it." God isn't like that. He can walk on top of anything that's about to destroy us. We need to get used to God being supernatural!

Everyone struggles with this. Sometimes we live so much in the natural realm that it just seems like, "God, is there really a way out of this?" There's always a way out—nothing is too difficult for God. Whatever our problem is, Jesus is on top of it. He's not under it. He's not sinking. This is no problem for Jesus!

For they all saw him, and were troubled. And immediately he talked with them, and saith unto them, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.

Mark 6:50

This verse just shows how completely in control God is. The things that are bothering you aren't bothering God. And if you would appropriate what is yours in Christ, then you don't need to be bothered either. You really don't!

Ready to transform your perspective and walk in unwavering faith? Get your copy of Andrew's book *How to Become a Water Walker* and conquer fear and limitations today! Visit **awme.net/shop** or call **+44(0)1922 473300** to learn more.

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THE VISION FOR AFRICA

We're on a mission to expand the reach of Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College as far and as deep as possible on the continent of Africa.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Matthew 28:19

To spearhead the expansion of ministry operations across diverse African regions, six strategically positioned AWM district offices will serve as key hubs to advance the mission.

"We have the potential to have all district offices up and functioning, fully operational by 2025. From there, it becomes very easy to just expand into those different district territories."

Ricky Burge
Director of African expansion

Join us in realizing this vision and making a lasting impact across the diverse nations of Africa. Visit awmi.net/Africa to learn more about the exciting changes happening with our African expansion!

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THREE LANGUAGE-BASED DISTRICTS:

Arabic Africa

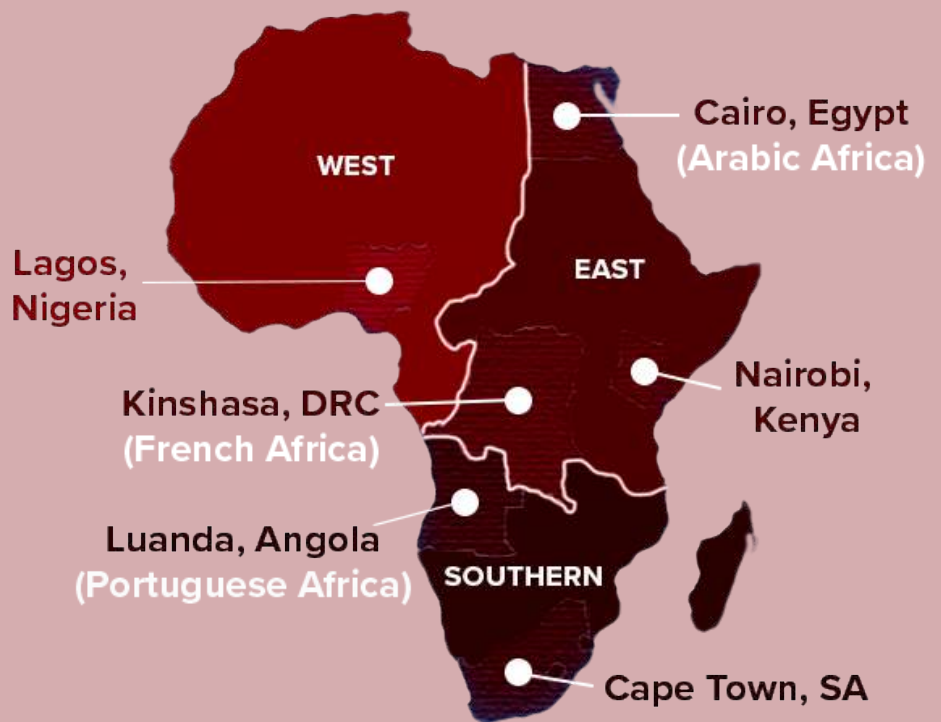
Reaching Arabic-speaking nations
Anticipated office opening in Cairo, Egypt

French Africa

Reaching French-speaking nations
Kinshasa, DRC, office already operational

Portuguese Africa

Reaching Portuguese-speaking nations
Anticipated office opening in Luanda, Angola



THREE GEOGRAPHICALLY BASED DISTRICTS:

East Africa

Extending ministry reach in the East
Anticipated office opening in Nairobi, Kenya

Southern Africa

Extending ministry reach in the South
Cape Town, South Africa, office already operational

West Africa

Extending ministry reach in the West
Anticipated office opening in Lagos, Nigeria



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