

# Carlile College

## Welcomes the New Year with **missions**

Over 40 evangelists and lay leaders gathered in Marsabit, Kenya earlier this month for a week long conference coordinated by Church Army Africa. The newly appointed missionary Bishop of Marsabit, Rt. Rev. Martin Robert, welcomed a cadre of leaders from Carlile College, including Principal Wambunya and the new General Secretary, Rev. Capt. Richard Mayabi. The team led grassroots training on evangelism and church planting designed to equip evangelists for holistic church development in their local context. The training featured a variety of lectures, group discussions, and prayer. Asked on how the training would help, the Bishop said, “It will encourage and strengthen the evangelists in the ministry, it gives them a foothold into understanding that they belong to one church and ministry.”

The Marsabit Mission Area has 11 parishes comprising 40 local churches. The region suffers from harsh climatic conditions, limited water supplies, regular tribal clashes, and poor infrastructure. The vast majority of the population is Muslim and there are many obstacles to church growth. Despite the great challenges, the evangelists are “very passionate about mission work” and “willing to make great sacrifices to share the love of Christ.”

At the end of the training, each participant signed a covenant of evangelism, pledging to put into practice what they had learned on holistic church planting.

- Topics Covered:**
- Prayer and Fellowship
- Making Disciples
- Church Planting
- Finding Local Resources for Mission
- Preaching
- Evangelism in the Muslim Context
- Evangelism
- Mission Action Plan
- The Role of the Evangelist in A.C.K.
- Youth Ministry
- Bible Exposition of 1 Peter

### New Hands at the Helm

In January, 2009, Church Army Africa welcomed Rev. Capt. Richard Mayabi as its new General Secretary. Maybai has extensive experience in parish ministry as well as in church



planting and urban outreach. The new G.S. brings a passion for grassroots ministry with a far-reaching vision for evangelism and social change.

### Sharing Christmas with the Turkana

A team of Carlile students and Church Army Officers spent their holidays on mission in the deserts of Northern Kenya. The team gave “Christmas shoes” to hundreds of Turkana children and spent several days sharing the message of Christ in Lodwar.



Above: Capt. Kamanja teaches youth in Lodwar

### Closing Bars and Promoting Peace

After celebrating Christmas, Church Army’s mission team continued into Sudan. Passing the volatile town of Kapoeta, they entered the villages of the semi-nomadic Taposia people. Many responded as the message of reconciliation was shared. One thatched hut brewery even closed its barroom, so the managers could sit in on the Bible study taking place nearby.



Above: Carlile student Sarah Kil yoon je prays for the sick near Kapoeta.



Above: Participants in the January Evangelism Training