



KIMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY



“And what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well.” - 2 Timothy 2:2

THE PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



We have been here at KIST for five months, and the time has gone quickly. We have received wonderful support from many of you—we especially treasure your words of encouragement and your prayers. We have had a tremendous response to the request for scholarship funds for the students, and our goal of having no student end the year with a balance due is close to being achieved. We will have some more students come for the May term who have not attended this year, and they will need some help. Thank you each one for this great effort.

We have had an overall good response and support from faculty and staff here at KIST. They have risen to the challenge of supporting KIST by accepting less pay and have done their work well. The support staff members who do the yard work and take care of the physical plant have worked half time when they really need the income of full time work.

Our plans and outlook for the coming months are shaping up to be very encouraging, and we are thankful that God has allowed us to assume this ministry opportunity and to lay a solid foundation for the incoming Principal and Academic Dean.

May God bless each of you in the U.S. and the fine staff and students here at KIST.

Sincerely,

Ronald M. Jack, Interim Principal

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING FEBRUARY 2010



KIST's Board of Governors met on the KIST campus on February 1st. In attendance were Ron Jack (Interim Principal), Sarah Mainye (KE), Dismus Mofulu (TZ), and Moses Abasoola (UG).

Several key items of business were discussed including the formal of appointment the new Principal, Rod Dormer, and the new Academic Dean, Jeff Baltés. Principal Dormer will taking over for Ron Jack when his assignment is completed in Summer 2010. Dean Baltés is already on campus in training for his new position. The Board also approved a revision of the Scholarship Program, spelling out responsibilities of the students seeking financial assistance and also making scholarships available to all students who meet those conditions.

In addition we had a sobering look at the financial condition of KIST and saw that there is a significant need for more general income to meet debts and maintain operations. It became very clear that further improvements in operating efficiency are a must. Each administrator and department has taken significant steps to improve cooperation and efficiency. Additional efforts are underway to enhance the marketing of KIST to a broader audience to increase enrollment.

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PRAYER REQUESTS & NEEDS

- 🌱 Pray that God will provide the necessary funding for the Bayers, the Nicholases, and the Dormers to arrive at KIST. Contact Candy Power at Global Missions (800-848-2464 x2129) to support these fine couples.
- 🌱 The Ibeno Project is becoming a reality. The transfer of the property deed process is underway. \$5000 dollars is needed to finish the repairs and property preparations. Classes are scheduled to begin in Sept. 2010.
- 🌱 Due to the current economic situation, KIST has incurred a debt of ~\$17,000. The debt needs to be cleared for KIST to progress. Any donations toward retiring this debt would be greatly appreciated.
- 🌱 Pray that God will provide funds for KIST's operational budget. While response for scholarship needs has been tremendous, the operating budget has not followed the same trend. Donations are needed for the KIST Development (42.40321), Grant (42.40322), And Faculty Salary (42.40322) funds.



PERSONNEL UPDATES

Rebecca Pierce

Rebecca will be completing her assignment at KIST and will be returning to the US permanently on March 25th. Rebecca has given generously of herself and her resources to the people here. Besides being the Campus Nurse, she has served as an instructor, been Acting Dean, and Acting Principal. She has also been a team player willing to do whatever was necessary for KIST to succeed. Through her efforts, KIST received grants from *Spread the Word* for the van and the sound equipment used in mission trips and evangelism. She is highly respected here at KIST and will be greatly missed. Thanks, Rebecca, for 7 years of faithful service.

Rod & Jan Dormer

Global Missions has appointed Rod and Jan Dormer as career missionaries to KIST, and named Rod as the new Principal. Jan will be a Lecturer in English. They have 15 years of missions experience with OMS prior to joining Global Missions. The Board of Governors, as noted above, concurred and approved the appointment of Rod as the Principal. Rod will be assuming his responsibilities as Ron and Alta Ruthe Jack transition home in Summer 2010.

Jeff & Lisa Baltse

Jeff and Lisa Baltse have come to join the staff from Fairfax Community Church in Virginia. Global Missions and the Fairfax church are presently working on a secondment agreement of partnership between the two institutions. Jeff will serve as the Academic Dean starting with the May Term. Lisa will assist with hosting events and work camps, mentoring women on campus, and coordinating the scholarship program.

Please pray that all of many transitions taking place in the next few months will go



Jeff (Academic Dean)
& Lisa Baltse



The KIST Choir Singing
for Weekly Chapel



Rod (KIST Principal-Elect)
& Jan Dormer

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

Two major goals during the first term were to improve morale and to realize good scholarship support for the students. These have been successful. We have made several small changes requested by the staff which has been a help to them, and we have encouraged the students that they can continue and complete their education. Students have been greatly encouraged by your financial support. Their weekend mission trips have been a blessing to them as well as the people to whom they minister.

The December short term Diploma classes went very well, and the group is really looking forward to completing their long period of study. They have requested to take 3 classes in a holiday month rather than the 2 they have been taking in order to complete their Diploma courses sooner. Their next term of classes will be in April.

Term Two showed an increased enrollment to 64 with 4 of these registered for audit. Two of the audit students are exchange students from the College of the Transfiguration in South Africa, and we hope for a continuing relationship between our two schools. In addition to the on-campus activities six 3rd Year Diploma students are out on their internship assignments. Most of them are placed in Western Kenya churches and schools. We also have one 4th Year BA student out on an internship assignment.

Please pray that God will continue to bless, protect and provide for our students.

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