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## WESO Ministry

## Missions Department

## Summarized Annual Missions Report – 2024-2025

## To Be Presented at the Annual General Meeting (AGM)

**Theme: “Here I am, send me.” – Isaiah 6:8**

### 1. Introduction

The Missions Department of WESO Ministry presents this summarized report outlining the department’s activities and impact for the year 2024 - 2025. As one of WESO’s key ministries, Missions plays a central role in fulfilling the Great Commission through evangelism, discipleship, and community transformation. This report provides an overview of fellowship-led mission activities under the department’s oversight and the ministry’s biennial mission

*Note: The WESO mission policy document, detailed Biennial Mission Report (Nambale Mission) and individual Fellowship Mission Reports are attached as appendices to this summary.*

### 2. Role of the Missions Department

Provide spiritual and strategic leadership for all mission activities

Coordinate fellowship-level and ministry-wide outreach efforts

Supervise and compile fellowship mission reports

Prepare and execute the Biennial Mega Missions

Equip and mobilize mission teams

### **3. The Spiritual Year's Activity Overview**

We had our biennial in Nambale, the department also oversaw active engagement by multiple fellowships who carried out local and regional missions throughout the year.

#### **Key Statistics:**

Missions Conducted: [14]

Souls reached: [over 2153]

New Converts Reported: [over 1262]

Discipled converts Recorded: [20] captured in Nambale mission

### **4. Highlights & Impact**

Outreach conducted in both urban and rural areas, including unreached regions

A total of over 2153 souls were reached, over 1262 received Christ and even some started discipleship classes

Youth and student fellowships reported increased participation in missions

Community support initiatives included sports evangelism, community work, school outreach, and charitable activities

Mission training impacted our members making them effective during the missions

Strengthened collaboration between fellowships and host churches

### **5. Challenges Encountered**

Logistical and financial limitations affecting some mission activities especially the post mission activities and supporting fellowship missions

Fluctuation of university calendars affecting mission dates. The most recent UOE Bukembe mission and Rongo Teso mission were greatly affected as the dates were colliding with attachment dates of some students especially the third years

Improper planning logistics leading to cancellation of some fellowship mission which includes some churches turning down last minute to host fellowship missions.

Reduction of attendance in our biennial mission and most fellowships were unable to avail at least 50% of the fellowship population in our biennial mission

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- i) Seek partnership opportunities to strengthen financial support
- ii) Proper planning in terms of timing so as the individual fellowship mission dates are accommodative
- iii) Strengthen fellowship mission plans that includes amending the existing mission policies to include a clause on written commitment form for churches that show intentions of hosting our missions to avoid issues of churches turning down hosting fellowship mission last minute.
- iv) To enhance thorough grounds work to avoid last minute cancellation of missions
- v) Planned training sessions to improve fellowship-level planning and execution
- vi) To shift the biennial mission dates to August to allow more members to attend the mission

## 6. Strategic Focus for 2025-2026

- a) Consolidate and build momentum toward the 2026 Biennial Mega Mission, this includes opening the portal for mission application at the beginning of the new spiritual year
- b) Organize cross-fellowship mission training forums
- c) Expand partnerships and resource mobilization for strategic outreach.

## 7. Conclusion

We thank God for His grace throughout the spiritual year. Despite being a non-mega mission year, significant impact was achieved through fellowship-led missions. The Missions Department remains committed to equipping and mobilizing WESO for even greater outreach and spiritual harvest in the years ahead.

We acknowledge the contributions of every fellowship, leader, and everyone who participated in missions this year. May we remain faithful in the call to "go and make disciples of all nations."

### *Attachments*

*Appendix A: 2024 Biennial Mission Report*

*Appendix B: Fellowship Mission Reports (Fellowship 1 to Fellowship N)*

*Appendix C: WESO missions policy document*

## **THE NAMBALE MISSION 2024 REPORT.**

### **Preamble**

Receive festive greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This report is presented as a testimony of God's enduring grace and guidance in fulfilling His great commission. As Western outreach Ministry we have always desired to execute one of biggest mandate of reaching out, we sought to bring the light of Christ to the land of Nambale. By the grace of God we proclaimed the true and genuine gospel of Jesus Christ and ministered to the needs of His people.

The report highlights the progress, challenges, opportunities and achievements encountered during the mission.

### **Application, vetting and choice of Nambale as our mission ground.**

Immediately after the Netima mission in 2022, the missions committee circulated an advert asking members to apply for the 2024 mission, we received official applications through the WESO email address and the missions coordinator's email address. We received application from Ang'urai, Busia town and Nambale. After vetting we settled on Nambale. With the guidance of the finance committee a budget of **Ksh799900** was agreed upon.

### **Mission planning**

Pre-visits were done early January 2024 by the missions committee and there after several grounds work done. The missions committee considered 17<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to be the mission dates. This was to take care of the university calendars to enhance attendance of all students' fellowships. The committee prayerfully considered **Matthew 4:16 as theme verse, "the great eternal light has come" as the theme statement and "it a season for Nambale to stand and show forth the light of Christ" as the slogan.** Ground work was done and among the agreements with the church was to cater for some items in the budget which amounted to **ksh 127,000**. The committee agreed to expand the scope of the mission and planned to have more than one station and also include: medical camp, charity work, sports evangelism and community work. There was intense mobilization of missionaries in all our students' fellowships apart from Kisii, Maasai Mara and Moi. There were several prayer sessions both virtual and physical and members prayed for the Mission The church was in charge of finding all legal permits for the mission.

### **Pre-mission activities**

Part of the missions committee arrived on Nambale ground at least two days earlier to do ground breaking and also with the help of the church we arranged for accommodation of both students and nonstudents. Two canons from the church agreed to host nonstudents at their homes and Nambale Boys High School hosted the students and a few comfortable associates. We also arranged for accessibility of the two extra grounds:- Tanga kona and Mnazi moja. The part of the budget for the church was satisfactorily taken care of in fact the surpassed by taking care of all permits and transportation of missionaries to the two extra grounds.

## **Mission activities**

The mission began on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 with arrival of missionaries from Maseno, Egerton and Laikipia. The rest of the missionaries were coming in as we progressed with the mission. On 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> we had seminars and very resourceful servants of God in the ministry led by elder and patron of the Ministry shared on several topics selected by the missions committee. The seminar topics included;-

- Leadership
- Purity, relationships and marriage
- Financial management and entrepreneurship
- Transition from college to outside world
- Church and postmodernism
- Digital space
- Mission training

Missioners appreciated the choice of topics, facilitators and the mode of facilitation.

The door to door evangelism was done on 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> effectively and successfully in the three grounds. Open air meetings were conducted on 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> on Nambale ground, on Tanga kona ground on 21<sup>st</sup> and Munazi moja on 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. All the open air meetings were effective and successfully meeting the objectives.

Revival meetings were powerfully conducted from 17<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, on 25<sup>th</sup> after crusade there was a powerful worship experience organized by the praise and worship team. The intercessory team organized morning devotions and other prayer sessions.

Discipleship team organized discipleship classes.

Sunday school teachers ministered to the young ones of Nambale.

We also received sadaka during door to door evangelism and was well spend on credit for discipleship and buying sweets for Sunday school ministration.

We had an open in-house meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> morning hours chaired by fellowships coordinator and GEC chairperson. Among the things we discussed included:-

- Introduction of fellowship leaders
- Introduction of ministry leaders and their roles
- Ministry structures
- Issues affecting fellowships

The meeting was effective and timely and leaders responded to the issues raised by members especially a majority who didn't know the structures within the ministry and generally how the ministry operates.

We had community work on 26<sup>th</sup> afternoon where members cleaned Nambale town. Members organized and had a successful bonfire session on 26<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm, the elders present shared on relationships, courtship and marriage. The objectives of the session were achieved.

Members left for their homes and others for commission conference on 27<sup>th</sup> after breakfast. The latest group left at 11:30 am.

Attendance, organization and mission outcomes

The gospel outreach organized by the Western Outreach (WESO) ministry in Nambale from December 17th to 27th, 2024, attracted a total attendance of **253 members** from various fellowships. An analysis of the attendance data reveals significant insights into participation levels across different fellowships.

1.2 Attendance Overview

The following table summarizes the attendance figures and their corresponding percentages for each fellowship:

Fellowship	Number of Members	Percentage
Egerton	46	18.2%
MMUST	43	17.0%
JOOUST	38	15.0%
Maseno	31	12.3%
JKUAT	17	6.7%
UoE	16	6.3%
KU	14	5.5%
Laikipia	13	5.1%
UoN	13	5.1%
Kakamega Non Student	7	2.8%
Nakuru Non Student	6	1.2%
WEFWE	3	1.2%
Rongo	2	0.8%
WTTI	7	0.8%
Alupe	1	0.4%
Cooperative	1	0.4%
Kitale	1	0.4%
NNSF		0.8%
Moi	0	0.0%
Masai Mara	0	0.0%
Upper Kabete	1	0.0%
Kikuyu	1	0.0%
Lower Kabete	1	0.0%
TOTAL	261	100%

The **Egerton** fellowship had the highest attendance with **46 members**, accounting for **18.2%** of the total participants, followed closely by **MMUST** with **43 members** (17.0%). This indicates a strong representation from these institutions, suggesting effective outreach strategies or higher engagement levels within these fellowships.

Fellowships like **JOUST** (38 members, **15.0%**) and **Maseno** (31 members, **12.3%**) also demonstrated significant participation, reflecting a solid base of support for the outreach initiative.

Several fellowships had minimal representation, such as **Kakamega Non Student** (7 members, **2.8%**) and others with only a few participants or none at all, indicating potential areas for improvement in outreach efforts to engage these groups more effectively.

There was a drop in attendance of UOE and JKUAT from the previous mission (Netima).

The total attendance of **261 members**, though a drop from the previous mission, illustrates a commendable turnout for the event, reflecting a successful effort by WESO to mobilize its community for this gospel outreach. The drop is attributed to the lecturers strike that affected university calendars across hence affecting the mission plans in terms of attendance.

In conclusion, while certain fellowships showed robust participation, there remains an opportunity for WESO to enhance engagement with those that were less represented during this outreach event.

Specifically, the following fellowships had **zero attendance**:

**Moi University fellowship** and **Masai Mara University fellowship**

Lack of representation from Moi and Maasai Mara and low turnout from other fellowship is an indicator that:-

- There was no proper mobilization at fellowship level
- There is no proper relationship of the fellowship and the ministry
- No serious leadership at fellowship level to champion the ministry agenda
- Lack of interest in WESO missions.

Lack of some top fellowship leaders from various fellowships was noticed, especially chairpersons or mission coordinators or both and without proper communication.

The church organized for accommodation and all the missionaries were hosted at Nambale Boys High school. Some non-students and elders were hosted by two church canons.

Meals were prepared by the kitchen staff of the school with assistance of a few missionaries. All the meals were well prepared and served in the school dining hall. There was enough clean water within the school that was accessible. The hostels for accommodation were averagely good.

Tanga kona and Mnazi moja ground were well managed by four missions committee members two on each ground. The church organized for transportation of missionaries to and from the grounds daily for the three days. Lunch was cooked and transported to the grounds. A total of **411 people gave their lives to Christ** out of this **20 started discipleship 9 from Tanga kona, 7 from Mnazi moja and 4 from Nambale**. Discipleship was organized and ran by the discipleship team under the missions committee and follow up activities are being arranged by the follow up coordinator.

Missioners at all levels were actively and effectively involved in all mission activities including door to door evangelism, facilitation of revival meetings, facilitation of prayer meetings, facilitation of crusades, facilitation of seminars.

The mission committee composed of all missions coordinators from all the students' fellowships and a few other members received feedback and evaluated the mission on daily basis.

### **Challenges**

- We were not provided with enough funds to run all the planned activities that were meant to expand the scope of the Nambale mission and hence not achieving one of our objectives.
- A drop in the number of missioners from the previous mission
- Fluctuation in the university calendar affecting attendance of various fellowships
- Lack of local missioners to help in door to door evangelism.
- Delay in availing available finances affecting the menu of week one of the mission.

### **Suggestions for future improvement**

#### **1. Scheduling and Attendance**

☐ **Change Mission Dates:** Shift the mission dates from December to August to enhance participation. Though with challenges of mobilization strategies especially students' fellowships now that the May-August semester is normally either a long holiday or attachment

☐ **Attendance:** both students and nonstudents fellowships to deliberately attend ministry missions and treat them seriously now that they are held biennially.

☐ **Encourage Student Participation:** More efforts should be made to motivate students to attend missions. **2. Meal and Accommodation Improvements**

☐ **Meal Options:** Enhance the meal offerings, particularly for vegetarians and those with dietary restrictions. Early menu planning and registration for dietary needs are recommended. Improve on accommodation of missioners



### 3. Program and structure

- **Time Management:** improve on time management issues by clearly stipulating activity schedules and ensuring timely meal service.
- **Breaks and Feedback Sessions:** Introduce significant breaks between sessions and consider including a rest or feedback day during longer missions.
- **Leadership Rotation:** Implement a rotational system for leadership roles to foster inclusivity and prevent pride among leaders within the missions committee

### 4. Spiritual Engagement

- **Prayer Focus:** Emphasize the importance of prayer, particularly during designated times, to enhance spiritual growth among participants.
- **Involvement in Activities:** more engagements especially student missionaries in various activities such as seminars, crusades, and revivals to promote engagement.

### 5. Coordination and Communication

- **Proper Liaison:** Improve communication between the organizing committee and hosting churches to avoid gaps in planning.
- **Feedback Mechanism:** Establish a structured feedback mechanism post-mission to address concerns raised during the event.

### 6. Resources

Enough resources should be made available to enable carry out all activities planned. WESO missions should be improved in terms of scope this will make them unique.

We also recommend a treasurer within the missions committee to enhance smoothness during the mission.

### Conclusion

Though we had specific objectives to be achieved for Nambale mission, God purposed that we do what we did. Surely the Light of Christ has shined in Nambale. A total of **411** friends gave their lives to Christ and **19** had started discipleship classes. The **411** have been handed over to pastors for follow up. The follow up coordinator, discipleship coordinator and a few members of the missions committee will be making regular visits to enhance follow up and discipleship.

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