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# Bukavu

The Democratic Republic of the Congo

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## The Congolese People Said Yes to Jesus!

Festival	Attendance	Signed Decisions	Number Trained in T4T	12,325
Thursday, 8/30	70,000	24,598	Number of T4T Groups	803
Friday, 8/31	100,000	22,804		
Saturday, 9/1	100,000	26,821	New Baptized Believers	311
Sunday, 9/2	130,000	28,565	Churches Involved	411
<b>Total</b>	<b>400,000</b>	<b>102,788</b>		

## For His Glory Faces Greatest Opposition in 12 Year History



**Evangelist Rob Welch  
Preaching to the Congolese People**

This mission was the most challenging of all of our missions over the last 12 years, but it was also the most fruitful!

### The Powers of Darkness Resisted

#### This Mission from the Start

We felt strong resistance from the enemy months before our mission even began. While on our scouting trip to Bukavu, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the devil tried to take us out!

As our team was driving through Tanzania, heading to Bukavu to prepare for our upcoming mission there, a large truck pulled in front of us as we were driving on the highway.

### God Intervened by His Mighty Hand Saving Us from Harm!

Our driver hesitated for a moment, then swerved hard to the right as the passenger-side tires blew out due to the torque generated. The back quarter panel hit the rear end of the truck. Our Toyota SUV spun around and started to flip over. Then the Lord intervened miraculously. As we tipped past the center of gravity, we felt the hand of the Lord's angel stop our vehicle's momentum and gently set our SUV down. It was a surreal and wonderful experience.

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## Counselors Recording the Decisions for Christ

Although Wednesday, the first day of the festival, was cancelled, many came out Thursday, thirsty and hungry for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. 24,598 made a decision for Christ the first night, and by the end of the festival 102,788 decisions had been recorded.

*Glory To God!*

## We Encountered Tremendous Resistance at the Border

We also saw tremendous resistance in getting our visas to even be able to enter the country of Congo. We stood in faith with our partners that we would be able to hold this mission in Bukavu. The Lord honored our prayers; our passports and visas were delivered to us with about an hour to spare. We had struggles with finances, sickness, weather, corruption in the government, and even in some of the churches; but by the strength of the Spirit we pushed through.

## Festival Cancelled Due to Lack of Power

The senior immigration officer at the Congolese border would not permit our sound system and generator into the country, and because of the delay our first night of the festival was cancelled.

Our team prayed fervently, trusting that God would make a way. The Lord came though, and we had the sound system and power the next 4 days of the festival.

Our team grew dramatically in our ability to trust God in difficult situations, and we ultimately saw God do an amazing work during this mission. We thank God for His miraculous work!

## Highlighting the Heralds of For His Glory!



Tony Vincent & Samuel Ongondo

Tony Vincent, For His Glory's Africa Ministries Director, and Samuel Ongondo, For His Glory's Director of Church Mobilization, deliberate which topics to train for Kingdom multiplication during an advance trip preparing for the Bukavu Mission. To date, there are more than 12,000 people who have been trained in Kingdom multiplication.

# There Was a Paradigm Shift in our Ministry the Last Night of the Festival



**Congolese Worship Team Setting the Atmosphere to Receive the Preached Word of God**



**Rob Welch Preaching**



**Mark Levesque Praying**



**The Crowd Uniting Through Prayer**

In all our collective years of ministry, none of us had ever seen anything like what God did during the closing prayer the last night of our festival in Bukavu, the Democratic Republic of the Congo. It was so powerful that words fail to describe what happened. This seemed to be a foretaste of Jesus' Kingdom, as Jesus described it in Mark 9:1, "I tell you the truth, some standing here right now will not die before they see the Kingdom of God arrive in great power!"

## **What an Electrifying Atmosphere!**

Everyone was aware that the anointing of the Holy Spirit was building as Rob Welch preached the Gospel to the largest crowd ever assembled at a For His Glory festival. It was this strong anointing that drew the most fruitful ingathering of souls to Christ. As the festival was drawing to a close Rob called Mark forward to close the festival in prayer. As he approached the podium you could feel the air was alive with the tangible presence of the Holy Spirit.

## **We Saw the Kingdom of God Manifest in Power the Last Night**

Mark Levesque began his prayer by calling for the Kingdom of God to come in manifestation. He prayed, "Our Father Who art in heaven, holy is Your Name! Lord God almighty, let Your Kingdom come in full manifestation in this place in great power and glory," and it did! Mark Levesque declared over the crowd that they were kings under the Lord Jesus, and that they have authority in His name to bring forth God's Kingdom in this city for Christ. God answered the prayer mightily as the weight of His glorious presence fell upon all of us.

## **Spiritual Unity Came Over Those in Attendance at the Festival**

As we looked over the huge gathering of people huddled together in the stadium, we knew they were receiving a very tangible reality of God's Kingdom in our midst. As the people responded to the prayer we saw an incredible spiritual unity come over the crowd. They had truly become one in the Spirit. This was an amazing, unforgettable moment!

## **We Were Changed Through the Experience!**

Many commented afterward that the event was the most awe-inspiring experience they had ever had. Others said, "It was the high point of their ministry;" while still others simply said, "Wow!"

We all knew that after the festival our lives and ministries would never be the same.