

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF BURUNDI

DIOCESE OF RUTANA



LOVE ONE ANOTHER



Vision: To be a church that both reflects the image of God and promotes the sustainable development in the community.

Mission: Proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in order to achieve a holistic transformation based on evangelism, leadership, education and socio-economic development for the community.

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I. From 28th to 30th June, the Rutana Anglican Parish University Students have organized a Christian Crusade for which various categories of people were invited to attend, such as students in the Lycee and Communal Colleges, youths, adults, Government employees. During that crusade **three major topics** were chosen:

- 1) *Knowing Jesus Christ is the solid foundation of a life without regret.*
- 2) *Youths as potential leaders to nurture and empower for tomorrow leadership.*
- 3) *The Lord wants us to be mature Christians to be good Stewards and developmental Agents for our church and nation*

The main Speaker during that Crusade was **NINYIBUKA Leonidas**, one of the Burundi Scripture Union Program managers and the participants were so excited by his teachings.



II. The project concerning the Cathedral construction was so heavy and took years, but now the Church is extremely excited to see how far the construction activities are. By God's Grace and help, the Bishop and the Church altogether start planning to officially dedicate the New Cathedral to the Lord by **next year 2020**, the month and date to be confirmed before the end of this year.

The **fixing of tiles** inside the church is almost over and the former church is also being transformed a part of it into a hall for church events while another part is being turned into offices for the Diocesan Block_Office_Extension.



The following step related to the Cathedral Construction is the buying of Chairs. Each of them can help 5 people to seat on it. According to the designers, the price of each is **200.000BIF** (or \$108 USD) but it will host 5 people meaning that each individual seat is **40.000BIF** (or \$ 22 USD).



III. Under the help of ERD through the Province of Anglican Church of Burundi, the Diocese of Rutana recently distributed **77 goats to the people** who formed an association. The population was so excited because it was a way of getting organic manure to fertilize their land for more production. The **ERD Integrated Program** the diocese is dealing with in GIHARO Commune includes various aspects such as Food Security, Environment Preservation, Literacy Program, Savings Groups, VBGs and Health Care Lessons.



****Prayer*Request*:***

1. To get the money for the church chairs because the whole church will be filled with at least 1000 individual chairs meaning 200 pieces of 5 places each.