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TEE Highlights

"Happy birthday TEE" was sung enthusiastically by all the delegates attending the conference, while the former directors ceremoniously cut the cake to mark the 40th anniversary year.



The mood was joyful and full of thanksgiving. Everyone was dressed for the special occasion in matching TEEbranded shirts. The theme stitched on these reads: "Sound Theology for a Safe Society".



Among those who shared their stories was Elder Kinyua. The bad choices he made as a young man led him to prison. He was on death row when he took the TEE basic course. Afterwards, his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment without parole, and then in 2017 he received the president's pardon. Now he is actively involved in mentoring youth and warning them of the dangers of getting involved with drugs, guns and gangs.





The Adopt-an-Inmate programme that Kinyua benefitted from, is the outreach arm of the department. Currently, the basic course is being studied by groups of inmates in 12 prisons in Kenya. Awareness is raised in local congregations who then sponsor one or more prisoners, enabling them to do the course for free.

The PCI Moderator and his wife - Rev Dr Sam and Karen Mawhinney, came for an official visit to Kenya. On the last day of their busy trip, we went together to greet the TEE director (Rev John Gatu) and staff in the small office that is TEE's home base.



We are grateful for all the special TEE events and visitors from Ireland in November. As we look to the new year, let us continue keeping each other in our prayers.

With love and blessings from Naomi and Thomas, Aaron and Silas xxoxx

Points for Prayer:

- Give thanks for the celebrations at the annual conference and the new theme – "Sound theology for a safe society". Ask that the delegates will be given many opportunities to share about the courses available and the impact these can have on lives.
- Praise God for the former directors who graced us with their presence, especially Rev Brian and Jean Gibson who founded the programme. Each director took part, highlighting the events that happened during their tenure in office.
- Remember the TEE department as it reflects on ideas of how to move TEE forward to continue being relevant and meeting the needs of those at the grassroots level.



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