

us how on numerous occasions he would minister to this gentleman, but to no avail. Sadly, the previous Thursday was the last day for Mr. Mudenda. He passed on in his sleep.

I realized that I was no different from him. Like him, I was privileged to have heard the Word of God. Like him, I lived in sin. I had a vast knowledge about the Word that I had not utilized. I realized that knowing the Word of the Lord was not the same as knowing the Lord. I had misplaced the two. The comforting truth was that I still had the opportunity to change.

After the sermon, I emailed Mr. Carlos Paul (who was not only my lecturer in the Grand Narrative at the time but also ACU's Chaplain) and told him how uneasy I was feeling. The following morning, he called me out of class and walked me through Romans 10:5-13. He told me what it meant to be truly saved. After the discussion we had, I gave my life to the Lord and was saved.

MATTERS FOR PRAYER

- The second term begins on the 27th May 2019. Pray for all that needs to be done in readiness for the new term
- Pray for the accreditation process with the Higher Education Authority
- Pray for the new members of faculty that will be joining us in the new term

MATTERS FOR PRAISE

- Thank God for the generosity people have shown in donating items for the ladies' hostels
- Thank God for 90% of the funds for land purchase that have been raised



Why Mentorship?

By Kunda Kalifungwa



The concept of mentoring is brought out in a number of places throughout Scripture, and when I think of examples in Scripture of good pictures of what mentoring ought to look like, there are two distinct pictures that come to mind: the mentoring relationship that Paul had with Timothy and that Naomi had with Ruth.

2 Timothy 2:15 says, *“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed rightly handling the word of truth.”* Here Paul is instructing Timothy on how to present himself before God and how he ought to mature in his faith. From verse 14 to the end of the chapter (and in other parts of the letter), Paul not only guides Timothy on how to mature in the faith but also on how he was to go about practicing his particular vocation. In 2 Timothy 2:21, Paul emphasizes to his son in the faith that his character must be one of holiness, and that it is his character that will determine how effective he will be as a worker of the Lord.

Naomi and Ruth portray another great picture of true mentorship. Naomi's maturity and motherly wisdom helped Ruth make wise choices. In the third chapter of the book of Ruth, Naomi guided Ruth on how best to conduct herself with her potential suitor Boaz, who later became her husband.



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This is true mentoring, and in it we see Naomi actively involved in her daughter-in-law's life and, with her wisdom, guiding Ruth in making wise choices in her life. Paul, likewise, was consistently and intimately involved in Timothy's maturing faith and how he ought to have lived out that faith.

As African Christian University, mentoring is one of our core values. The ACU faculty and staff strive to lead by these examples by building relationships with the students and pouring into their lives. Each of the faculty and staff take on a small group of students that they intentionally mentor in the faith through all curricular and supra-curricular activities on a weekly basis.



Academically, we are here to guide the students in their studies and help them realize their full potential in whatever vocation they find themselves in, helping them to view their particular study from a Christian worldview and strive to do their work for God's glory as they fulfill the cultural mandate.

Spiritually, we expose students to the gospel and urge them to call on the Lord from a pure heart so that they can flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness. Further, the

development of their character is critical in helping them be biblically grounded in every aspect of their lives.

True mentorship is indeed also a time for the mentees to share their personal lives with their mentors, and the other way around as well. As a mentor, it is a giving of oneself to advance others to enable a comprehensive whole life training of the heart, mind and soul. It is that which is involved in students maturing in their faith and the living out of that faith in every area of life, be it in the spiritual, academic, social or career realm. ACU aims to carry out this type of mentorship with every student that God brings our way.



Interview with Hannah Chiwala

1st Year Degree Student

I got saved on 12th February, 2018. Prior to that, I thought I was saved with the simple reason that I grew up in a Christian home and went to a Bible believing church. Whilst at secondary school, I chose to believe I was saved because I had knowledge about God that many of my peers did not possess. I thought because I was better schooled in the Bible than they were, I was most definitely saved.

However, it was on 11th February, 2018 that the reality of my depraved state was magnified. Pastor Isaac Makashinyi, who is the Pastor of the church, preached on the life of Nicodemus from John 3:10. Nicodemus was a teacher of the Law and it was expected of him to know the meaning of salvation. As Pastor Makashinyi began his sermon, he told the congregation about a 'Mr. Mudenda', who he often met on the road to his home. He told