

ANNUAL REPORT 2024

*"Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain."*

Ps 127:1

Building





CATHRINE AND VIDAR LIGARD

From the Directors

2024 has been a year of building—both physically and spiritually. The highlight of the year has been the ongoing construction of the new Student Center at our Mombasa campus, a major milestone that represents growth, perseverance, and vision for the future. As with any significant project, the process has brought its share of challenges, but each step brings us closer to a lasting and rewarding outcome. Beyond the construction site, Vidar marked another important achievement with the release of his second book, *Faith for Assignment*, launched during the annual East Africa Faith Conference in Nairobi, Kenya.

In the Democratic Republic of Congo, we celebrated another “building” milestone with the opening of our first ministerial training program in Butembo—a remote yet influential city in the eastern region. This class included bishops, business leaders, and church leaders, many of whom have since continued their second year of training in Mombasa, Kenya. Indeed, 2024 has truly been a year of building in every sense of the word.

Vidar and Cathrine Ligard



Vision

Building People, Not just Buildings

Our vision is to see Christ's redemptive work transform every area of society.

At Safari Mission, we pursue this vision by training and developing Christian leaders who can influence their communities with integrity and purpose. Our approach is simple yet deeply impactful: we focus on transforming mindsets. When a person's way of thinking changes, the effects

ripple outward—shaping not only their own life, but also their family, community, and the generations that follow.

We are not an organization that merely provides resources; we equip individuals to become resourceful. In everything we do, our commitment remains the same: we build people, not just buildings.

The year in pictures



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The Mombasa Student Center

The new Student Center at our Mombasa campus is a long-awaited addition to our growing ministry. For many years, we have provided dormitories for our second-year students who travel from across Kenya, yet we have lacked adequate facilities for cooking and dining. The new 4,000+ square-foot Student Center will meet this need and more.

It will feature a fully equipped commercial kitchen capable of preparing meals for 300–400 people, a dining hall with seating for 150, and a three-bedroom instructor apartment on the upper level. This facility will not only enhance the student experience but will also reduce operational costs by eliminating the need for hotel accommodations when guest instructors visit from outside Mombasa.





Expanding Ministry in the *Democratic Republic of Congo*

In 2024, we launched our first ministerial training program in the city of Butembo, located in Eastern DRC. This class was made up of influential church and community leaders from Butembo and the surrounding regions. Reaching this city is no small task—travel can take up to three days from Kenya, with rough roads and limited air access. Yet despite the challenges, the hunger for the Word of God in this region is profound, and the transformation we are witnessing in the lives of these leaders is remarkable.





This year, we also welcomed a group of 15 students from Goma (DRC) who traveled to Mombasa to complete their second year of training. Their dedication and sacrifice deeply inspired our Kenyan students to value their own opportunities even more. For some of these Congolese students, their time in Mombasa marked the first nights they had ever slept without the sound of gunfire—a powerful reminder of the peace and restoration that God brings.

In addition to in-person training, our outreach in the DRC continues to grow through weekly radio programs reaching over 4 million listeners. Many who listen to these broadcasts are now enrolled in our ministerial training programs. Testimonies of salvation and life transformation pour in regularly. In a region where poverty limits access to other media, radio remains our most effective tool—often shared among groups of men gathered around a single device to hear the Word together. Truly, the Word is going forth in Congo!





Conferences and Events

Strengthening the Church Across East Africa

Throughout 2024, we hosted three major conferences in Nairobi, Kisumu, and Mombasa, along with several smaller seminars and speaking engagements. In addition to these Kenya-based events, our team also traveled to Uganda and Zambia to participate in regional conferences, expanding our reach and influence across East Africa.

A standout moment this year was seeing our alumni lead the Mombasa and Kisumu conferences, while our Nairobi team once again hosted the annual East Africa Faith Conference, a cornerstone event shaping believers across the region.

Each of these gatherings shares one common goal: to strengthen believers through the teaching of God's Word and to demonstrate the move of the Holy Spirit. Through these conferences, we are equipping church leaders and transforming lives across East Africa—one city, one community, and one believer at a time.





Book Launch

“Faith for Assignments”

One of the key highlights of 2024 was the launch of Vidar’s second book, *Faith for Assignments*, unveiled during the annual East Africa Faith Conference in Nairobi. This inspiring book challenges believers to activate their faith and walk boldly in their God-given purpose. Drawing lessons from the lives of Noah, Abraham, and David, this book illustrates how faith, when put into action, transforms not only individuals but entire communities.

Faith for Assignments continues to extend the heart of our mission—equipping believers to live purpose-driven lives that bring lasting transformation to society.



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order your copy!*





Rhema Bible Training College Kenya

Equipping Leaders for Lasting Impact



In November, we celebrated the graduation of 88 students from Rhema Bible Training College Kenya. Among them were 15 students from the DRC, with the rest from across Kenya. It was a joy to see how beautifully the Congolese blended with their Kenyan classmates—even joining the worship team during the ceremony. Some of the Congolese students brought their wives to Nairobi to participate in the celebration, a tremendous sacrifice that reflects their deep dedication to God's work and their commitment to ministry.





Our school year is divided into modules of 3–4 weeks, with students attending four modules annually. It is truly inspiring to witness the transformation that takes place during this time—their eyes are opened to the truths of God’s Word, and many are set free from bondage. They are not the same people when they finish as when they began. And this is exactly how you change a nation—by changing the people in that nation.







Life in Africa



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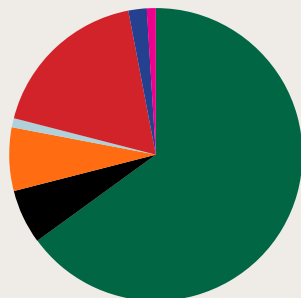
Together, we are witnessing Christ's redemptive work take root across East Africa through the leaders and communities we train and transform. We do not take for granted the trust you have placed in us through your partnership, and we are deeply committed to stewarding your resources with wisdom and integrity. As we continue to grow, expand, and even build new facilities to advance our vision, we want to assure you that our highest priority will always remain the same: building people, not just structures.



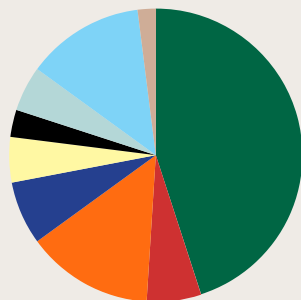
Enhancing Trust

Financial Summary

Consolidated Statement of Activities



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| ■ Donation to General Fund | 65% |
| ■ Restricted - Congo Outreach | 6% |
| ■ Restricted - Building Fund | 7% |
| ■ Media & Publications | 0% |
| ■ Student Fee Income | 18% |
| ■ Speaking Honorariums | 2% |
| ■ Other | 1% |



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| ■ Bible College | 45% |
| ■ Conference and Events | 6% |
| ■ Kenya Outreach | 14% |
| ■ Congo Outreach | 7% |
| ■ Speaking Engagements | 5% |
| ■ Media and Publications | 3% |
| ■ Giving and Benevolence | 5% |
| ■ Administrative Costs | 13% |
| ■ Fundraising | 2% |

For more details on financials, visit safarimission.org

REVENUE

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| Donation to General Fund | \$398,286.65 |
| Restricted - Congo Outreach | \$38,885.88 |
| Restricted - Building Fund | \$42,417.34 |
| Media and Publications | \$2,358.23 |
| Student Fee Income | \$112,137.13 |
| Speaking Honorariums | \$9,929.65 |
| Other | \$4,170.14 |

TOTAL REVENUES \$608,185.02

PROGRAM EXPENSES

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| Bible College | \$242,425.20 |
| Conference and Events | \$29,545.63 |
| Kenya Outreach | \$71,862.12 |
| Congo Outreach | \$36,472.88 |
| Speaking Engagements | \$27,626.85 |
| Media and Publications | \$15,113.64 |
| Giving and Benevolence | \$28,364.03 |

OTHER EXPENSES

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| Administrative Costs | \$70,774.18 |
| Fundraising | \$8,674.34 |

TOTAL EXPENSES \$530,858.87

NET SURPLUS \$77,326.15

CONSTRUCTION COSTS \$46,845.83



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