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# ***FAITHWALK***

***Courage for the Journey***

## **YOUTH POWER**

*Committed to the Cross*



***The Great Commission Youth Summit***



by  
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Fifty fantastic young people, ranging in age from sixteen to thirty, gathered for five days at the first ever *Great Commission Youth Summit*, which was sponsored by *FaithWalk Ministries International (FMI)*. Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, was the location.

# Youth Power

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These dynamic youth responded enthusiastically when challenged to establish a life's vision big enough to extend beyond the grave. They embraced the biblical demands for spiritual leadership. They studied *Discovering the Real You* daily.

Each session was followed by electrifying group discussions that produced rich insights for applying the truths they heard. At the end of the week, Danisa and I were convinced that we must conduct youth summits in every country where we go.

Never underestimate youth power. It was the youth that never saw the miracles in Egypt who had the faith to follow Joshua into the Promised Land. Contrast that with their parents who passed through the Red Sea on dry ground, yet because of their lack of faith could not cross the Jordan.

Youth feel invincible as they stand on the threshold of life, wide-eyed with wonder and ravenous for purpose. Deep inside, each desires to commit to a vision that is so big that it is worth

living and dying for it. They stretch out hope-filled hands searching for guidance. If properly challenged, they stand ready to cross over Jordan, conquer the giants and fulfill God's purpose.

Tragically, they are often led by those who trudge in meaningless circles while attempting to cross a barren desert. Martin Luther (1483-1546), warned, "I am afraid that the schools will prove [to be] the very gates of hell, unless they diligently labor in explaining the Holy Scriptures and engraving them in the heart of the youth."

As a young man, King Solomon made excellent choices, but fell into foolish ones as the years went by. Lamenting the waste of chasing empty dreams, he wrote, *Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth* (Ecclesiastes 12:1).

Knowing that choices have consequences—both good and bad—he encouraged the new generation of his day not to grasp for evaporating mist. He wrote, *The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil* (12:13-14).

*Thank you for your  
prayers and support!  
Read with thanksgiving  
how your gifts are  
directly impacting the  
lives of these youth.*





# Youth Power



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Idealism drives youth toward lofty visions. For some, following *ISIS* is the solution. Some are even willing to embrace *ISIS*' global caliphate to enforce submission to Sharia law by threat of punishment or death. They fantasize that this will make the world better.

Amid the cacophony of voices appealing to youth is the soft, firm call of Jesus, saying, "*Follow me.*" His majestic tone is unmistakable. His divine vision both floods this life with purpose, and stretches beyond the horizon to change the face of eternity. The summit presented the biblical vision of seeing lives transformed and made righteous by the power of God found in the Gospel of Christ, a Gospel that brings true righteousness as God's Spirit writes heaven's laws on the table of each heart.

Fifty youth responded with boundless faith like that of the eleven disciples who first received the Great Commission (see Matthew 26:16-20). The disciples did not rationalize their way out of Jesus' call by complaining that they lacked funds. They did not hesitate despite the impossibilities of the call. They did not demand a comfortable lifestyle or a soft retirement. They simply believed Jesus when He told them that He would be with them to the end of the age. Based on that promise, they went forth to preach the pure and simple Gospel, and thereby changed the course of world history.

While they never did fulfill the task of reaching the ends of the earth, believers throughout the ages have taken up the Great Commission to advance the vision. There is every evidence that the fantastic fifty who attended the summit heard the call and are focusing their lives on continuing the advance of the Gospel in our day.

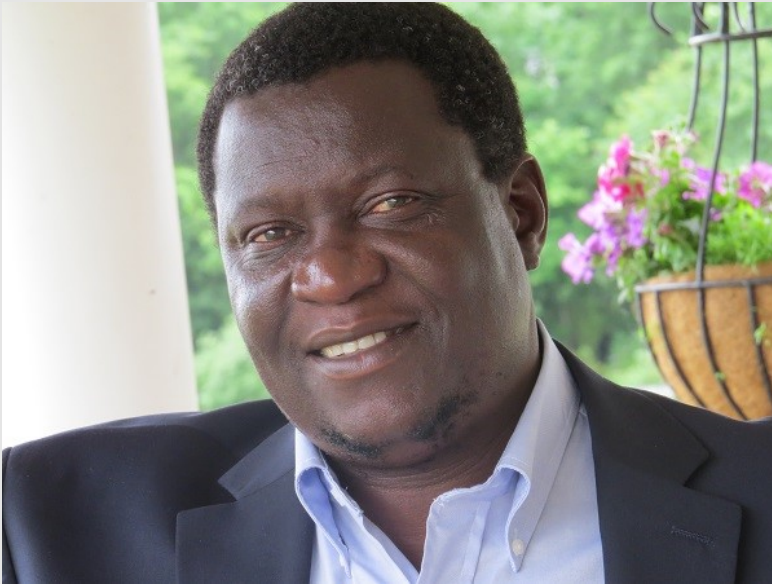
They were confronted with the vision of *FMI*; that being, to equip one million Christians worldwide to bring one hundred each to salvation by the pure and simple Gospel. That will result in one hundred million people entering heaven.

Just think, these young people have a lifetime before them to fulfill their part of the vision. At the close of the summit, I asked one young lady, Makadunyiswe Ngulube, how many people she desires to bring to salvation in her lifetime. She said, "No less than one thousand."

**Wow! Praise God! Never underestimate youth power,  
especially when it is committed to the cross.**

## GREAT COMMISSION YOUTH SUMMIT

### The Church of Today and Tomorrow



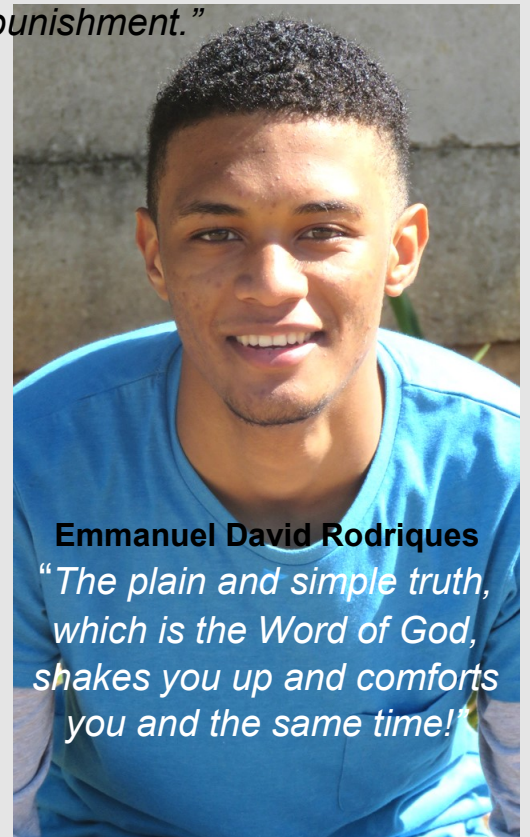
**DANISA NDLOVU**  
**FMI GLOBAL DIRECTOR**

*It is vital that we encourage and equip Christian youth around the world to fulfill the Great Commission. Young people are the Church of today and tomorrow, whereas we are the Church of today and yesterday. Each generation brings us one step closer to reaching the ends of the earth, and that brings us ever closer to the Lord's return.*

**Makadunyiswe Ngulube**



*"The Great Commission Youth Summit has made me a better person spiritually and mentally. I have become more aware of how important it is for me to witness to others about Christ in order to save them from the eternal punishment."*

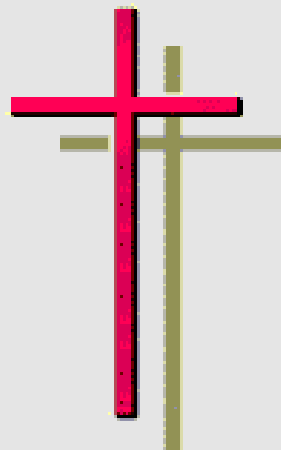


**Emmanuel David Rodriques**

*"The plain and simple truth, which is the Word of God, shakes you up and comforts you and the same time!"*



## GREAT COMMISSION YOUTH SUMMIT



*Brotherhood crosses the ocean,  
binding hearts with love.*



**Contemplating  
a lifelong  
vision.**

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**Ideas for  
advancing  
the Gospel  
are expressed.**





## GREAT COMMISSION YOUTH SUMMIT



Youth listening intently to the day's challenge.



Amkela Sibanda  
FMI Videographer / Photographer



Each group discussion ends by reporting  
to the entire gathering.

# GREAT COMMISSION YOUTH SUMMIT

## Catch the Heartbeat and Commitment!

**Faith Cloto:** “I thank God for this summit because it has helped me to take God more seriously, to go back to the simple Gospel of Jesus Christ, because I had become confused by the doctrines of prophets and prosperity. I got to understand the practicality of bringing souls to Christ. I had no vision that goes beyond the grave, but this summit got me thinking and I changed my mind. It has helped me to find my purpose in life.”

**Welcome Moyo:** “I got a lot of information and knowledge on how I should reach out to other youth and direct them to Jesus and the cross. After this program I am determined to implement all that I have learned and work hard in fulfilling the Great Commission.”

**Precious Luphahla:** “I mostly liked the part which taught us about how choices shape our lives. It gives us a picture of how a person determines [the future of] his or her own life. We must always make right choices.”

**Beyabule Moyo:** “I believe that this week has been a life-transforming week for me. I have learned a lot about my life. I believe that another summit like this may help many as it has helped me. Please come again soon.”

**Minenhle Moyo:** “We always confined the cross to healing, casting out demons and [other] physical things, thereby restricting its power from working to the fullest. This summit has helped me realize there is more to the cross that we do not experience because of self—the greatest enemy of all time. Thank you for a mind-opening and informative summit. I am with you all the way. It was a great challenge you brought to me, but I am willing to stand to it and see it to completion.”

**Felishu Midzi:** “The summit has brought me back to basics; what the Gospel is really about. It should continue so we get to equip more young people with this amazing Gospel. Hold international summits to gather youth from different nations.”

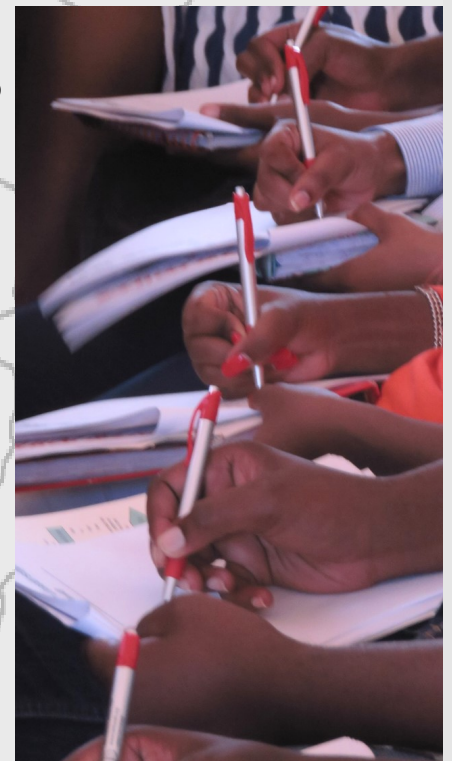
**Lungoni Amanda Nyathi:** “I believe there is seed that God wants me to scatter, and with the tools and knowledge acquired at this youth summit, I believe I have what it takes to fulfill God’s will. I am committed to spreading the Gospel and making sacrifices to see the vision of *FaithWalk Ministries* being fulfilled as well as exhibiting to the world what it means to be in Christ.”

**Dumolwethu Siswegkie:** “The youth summit has left a significant mark in my life. It has opened a clear understanding of what is expected of a Christian figure, and how to make choices in life. Most importantly, [we learned] the meaning and power of the cross. I have decided to live a life of integrity, acknowledging the Word of God, confessing the sins of self, and allowing God’s rule to govern my life. To evangelize has become my mission.”

**Percy Ndlovu:** “I could say that attending this youth summit was one of the greatest decisions I have made in life. I learned many things that I didn’t know anything about. As Ron and Danisa taught, I would open my mouth and say, “Wow!”

**Oletta Mkhotalamo:** “I came as a representative, but I wish that every youth from my church would be equipped with such knowledge.”

**Lynnety Noaiphlo Mlilo:** “I am grateful to the *FaithWalk Ministries* for bringing clarity about the Great Commission. Personally, I have been challenged to not end here, but to run with this vision.”







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As the sun sets on the first  
*Great Commission Youth  
Summit*, fifty young  
people have awakened to  
the call of Jesus to take the  
Gospel to the ends  
of the earth.

Visit our website for up-to-date information on our schedule, books, and publications,  
Diane's music; and learn how to receive Ron's weekly e-mail devotional *FaithWalk: Courage for the Journey*.

We are here to serve you and we would love to hear from you.

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