

Grace Theological Seminary (now ACU Seminary). "I have benefited spiritually as well as academically," he readily expressed, noting the depth, value and substance of its teaching. "The seminary is more than just a school, it's a family," Samuel shared. "I enjoy the fellowship with students locally and hope to do so with other students from the region." Director and educator, Bruce Button explained, "Up to now, the seminary has been operating only through a distance learning program." Further clarifying, "We are thankful that our 'contact sessions' have provided opportunities for students to enjoy fellowship with one another and to experience a sense of family, as Samuel testifies."

Perhaps one of the most important benefits of Samuel's extended study is the effect it has had on the lives of individuals who are members of the church he leads. "Though small in number, it has grown spiritually, because of the lessons and messages that I have prepared thanks to the Lord and the sound teaching of the seminary," he declared. Trusting God as he continues on with his studies, Samuel gratefully concluded, "I have benefited immensely throughout the year [2011]. The ministry has borne fruit in me." And on that note, ACU prayer partners will undoubtedly exclaim, AMEN!

*I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye. ~  
Psa 32:8*

We rejoice in seeking His best counsel and will trust the hints and turns of providence while in view of His watchful eye.

Rich blessings in Christ,



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"I preach as though Christ was crucified yesterday, rose from the dead today and was coming back tomorrow."

-Martin Luther

### Links



**A**CU's focus on the importance of fulfilling the cultural mandate in our service and worship of God stems in part from the fact that Africans generally consider vocations which involve manual labor as less respectable; consequently as interest in the Student Labor Program continues



to grow, it is important to note that it really doesn't matter what the specific business endeavor is, so long as it is led by and utilized for discipling in the Christian worldview as our spiritual service of worship to Christ in all that we do.

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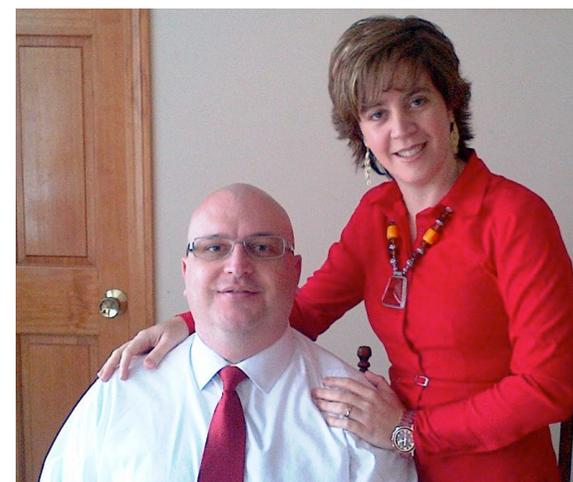
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### Meet Antonio Oliveira

We are pleased to spotlight Antonio Oliveira this month, as an innovative entrepreneur, with a zeal for providing just such a platform for discipleship.

Antonio Oliveira, has been a steadfast supporter and prayer partner of ACU since its inception.

Originally from Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, He attended an agricultural related technical school, acquiring specialized training in irrigation. After coming to the U.S., he became involved in the metal



Antonio & Sinara Oliveira

fabricated, precision parts machining industry and developed a highly successful manufacturing business, of which he is owner and President.

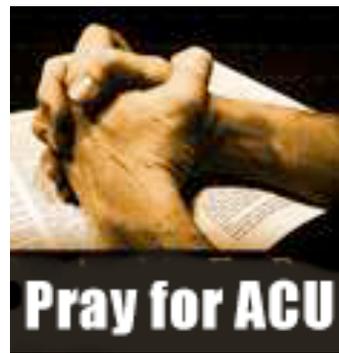
He and wife, Sinara live in Fall River, Massachusetts with son Nicholas (12 years), and daughter, Annalisa (9 years). An active member of Grace Gospel Church, of Swansea, Massachusetts, Antonio has been the A/V Dept. leader for 2 years, as well as a Simultaneous Interpreter leader (English to Portuguese).

"Knowing Dr. Ken Turnbull and his integrity is what attracted me to this project from day one," Antonio acknowledged, pointing out, "the great need for a holistic approach to educate a new generation of Africans with a Biblical worldview." He aspires to a long term goal of serving in cross-cultural missions and is enthused about ACU's Student Labor Program, asserting, "business as mission is my passion." Antonio further shared, "I would like to influence future entrepreneurs to have the same passion."

We are excited that He will be traveling to Zambia the second half of January to investigate operating a business as part of ACU's student labor program. The high precision parts machining industry presently does not exist in Zambia, but with mining and agriculture industries use of heavy machinery with highly specialized parts, it is reasonable to assume they would clearly benefit if there was someone who could manufacture parts domestically. Not only would such a business meet a tremendous existing need for manufacturing and training of skilled workers in the field, it could be significant in generating funds to sustain ACU. Most importantly, it would foster an ideal approach to discipling students in the principle of excellence that "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men (Col 3:23)." The requirement for absolute precision would also serve well to demonstrate the Christian world-and life-view principles implicit in fulfilling the cultural mandate (Gen 1:26-28).

Ken Turnbull described the upcoming trip as a "fact finding mission that will allow Antonio to 'spy out the land,' and network with other businessmen, entrepreneurs and those in the manufacturing industry to determine what might be most suitable."

Antonio personally covets your prayers for his visit to Zambia, adding, "May our Sovereign God give me guidance and show me His will."



### Matters of Praise

For those who are faithfully praying, giving and serving ACU to advance God's kingdom purpose through its development.

### Matters for Prayer

- May the Lord provide guidance through his Zambian contacts and make clear the best direction for Antonio Oliveira's labors with ACU
- An endowment of fervent grace and robust zeal to board members, who must take ownership of the project and effectually DO what God asks of them
- Securing the fore-ordained ground on which ACU will soon be built
- May the Lord bless the upcoming USA speaking opportunities of Pastor Conrad Mbewe

## ACU Student Spotlight - Samuel Kadiwa



Ninth in a family of fourteen (eleven boys and three girls), Samuel Kadiwa, originally from Queque, Zimbabwe, was introduced to the knowledge of God at a tender age through the diligence of a

faithful mother, who purposed that her large brood attend church, desiring that their lives would be shaped and influenced by the Gospel. Such was the case with Samuel, as the Holy Spirit impressed upon his heart the need of a Savior when he was seventeen years old, and he has never looked back.



Samuel Kadiwa

As a young adult he received training to be a motor mechanic and for three years apprenticed as a personal banker before resigning to go to Bible College. This led him into positions as a youth leader, an assistant pastor and various other ministry roles.

"In 1983 I got married to a beautiful wife, Bertha," Samuel shared, "and God has blessed us with three children." Firstborn, Soteria, recently finished college and as she seeks the Lord for her future in the workplace, Samuel asks for our prayers. Simeon, also in his early twenties, is attending College, while the last born, Sosthenes (early teens) is in secondary school.

In 2006 he joined Life and Liberty Ministry, in Norton, where he presently serves as teaching elder. He implores us to pray for the growth and spiritual development of this body of believers.

Samuel's celebrated love for God's word prompted him to register in 2008, as a student of Sovereign



### ACU Strategic Planning Meeting

Saturday, January 14 the Zambian board met to strategically plan and shape the future of ACU. Pray heartily that God's presence factored into every formulation and that He will give each member the faith and passion to accomplish every task, working as unto Him.



Pastor Conrad Mbewe

### February Tour

Pastor Conrad Mbewe of Kabwata Baptist Church, will have opportunities to share the vision of ACU in February while visiting with faculty and students at Covenant College in