

MAKAMBA DIOCESE TIDING
By The Rt Rev Martin Blaise NYABOHO, July-August 2010

We experience now hot and dusty and sometimes smoky summer in Makamba. Despite such a climate the Bishop has been journeying to respond to various rendez-vous in and outside the Diocese, including the beaches of Lake Tanganyika.

1. Parishes

Confirmation services have been conducted as the Bishop tours the parishes for his Episcopal visits to strengthen the faith of his flock and to encourage them as they work hard to rehabilitate the churches or to build new and big ones.

2. Elections

The dawn of the official instalment of the elect institutions in Burundi brings much light that the elections have been fair, peaceful, transparent and democratic.

Our compliments go to whoever played any role being in the field or outside of it. Keep praying for the new institutions as the Bible recommends us to pray for our leaders.

3. Journey to Silver Jubilee

August 15th 2010 was a special for the Anglican church of Burundi in general and the Diocese of Gitega in Particular. The former was celebrating its 75th anniversary of preaching the Good News in Burundi while the latter was celebrating its golden Jubilee. The Bishop of Makamba led a 32 people delegation to Buhiga (the very first missionary station) where we participated to a six hours church service.



After the ceremonies, the Bishop made a courtesy visit to the family of the first national Bishop, late Rt Rev Yohana NKUNZUMWAMI. So many stories were shared with unstopped laughters. We were remembered that in 1968 when he attended the Lambeth Conference, he greeted the august assembly simply by saying: I LOVE JESUS, I LOVE MY WIFE.



4. PRAISES

- Praise God for Rev Charles Niyungeko, who recently graduated from Carlile College, Nairobi Kenya, with an Advanced Diploma in Theology
- Praise God that Rev Onesiphore Ndayizigamiye will enrol Carlile College since 23rd September 2010
- Praise God for young people who are responding to the Gospel in schools

PRAYERS:

- Pray for the Bishop's father in his eighties who needs much medical care in Makamba
- Pray for the Conference of All Africa Anglican Bishops to be held in Kampala from 23rd August 2010
- Pray God to provide 2260 iron sheets to cover churches under construction mainly Gatwe, Nyanza-Lac, Jimbi, Mukerezi, Kabonga, Nkundusi, Biteko and Kivoga