



SOW News Update – February 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, we are delighted to share with you some news from The Gambia, and to ask for your continued support in prayer.

In December we held a graduation ceremony for all those students finishing their courses, including the full-time Preaching course, ICT and EXPLORE.

Please pray for them as they seek to witness for Christ wherever they live and work, that their faith would grow and produce fruit in their lives, that their love for the Lord would prompt them to labour in his name, and that the hope they have in our Lord Jesus Christ would help them to endure and persevere.



We started the term with six students on the Preaching course: topics included Exodus, Mark 1-8, The Lord’s Harvest Discipleship course, How to Understand the Bible, Principles of Preaching, Theology for Preachers, and of course Preaching Practice. Sadly one of the students was not able to return in January 2026.

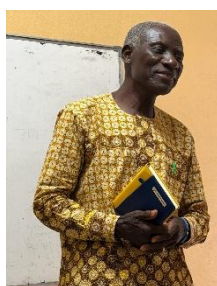
Please pray for the remaining five (Brandom, David, Joseph, Peter & Sang) that finances and family situations would allow them to benefit from this valuable time to study and grow in their faith and ministries.

The EXPLORE courses continue to prove popular at the Fajara campus with 15 students at varying stages of the first eight modules.

SOW also try to keep in regular contact with the Alumni. In December 2025 SOW hosted an overnight Alumni meeting at Tubakuta to encourage former SOW students to keep studying God’s Word and serving his people by faithful teaching and preaching. The theme of ‘Living in Fellowship with God’ was taken from 1 John 1:3-6, and 21 former SOW students signed up.

Alumni were also invited to an evening in Fajara on February 16th to share testimonies, hear from Psalm 32 (“Rejoice, because God’s forgiveness is the greatest blessing”), and to meet with some of the visiting group from Dundonald Church.

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SERVANTS OF THE WORD

In previous years teams from other partner churches, Redeemer Church Croydon and Christ Church Balham, have visited Servants of the Word. In order to build on their partnership, and offer the opportunity for some of the church family to experience life at SOW, Dundonald Church sent a group of seven, led by Mark & Mands Vernon, who had served at SOW in 2018-2020.

The group stayed in one of the Tubakuta farmhouses and joined in the daily routine at SOW, including morning devotions, various classes, Discipleship bible studies, and delicious communal lunches.

An objective for this team was to host literacy classes for the local nursery and primary schools, in order to continue building bridges with the community and encourage village children to focus on reading and writing.



Praise God that the schools were willing to bring these children to a Christian campus. They really enjoyed hearing stories about Jesus as well as concentrating on their writing exercises. It may have been the first time that some of these children had met any Christians, and it probably was the first time that many of them heard anything about Jesus. **Please pray** for eternal fruit from these small seeds, and for wisdom for SOW as they seek to build on these relationships.



Finally, **please pray** for Pastor Steven Musa-Kormayea, the SOW Founder and Director who was recently diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. Pray that he would find the right balance of work and rest, and for the SOW faculty as they take on some of his responsibilities to help reduce his workload.

Thanks from all the staff, students and directors of Servants of the Word, The Gambia.

Praise God for your continued prayer and financial support for gospel work in West Africa.

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now" (Philippians 1:3-5).