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Dear Friend,

Thank you for your faithful partnership with Gashora. Your support is part of what makes gospel-centered transformation possible in Rwanda.

Right now, churches across our communities are facing new government requirements that must be met in order to reopen and stay open. These are important changes that will strengthen local churches, but they also come at a cost.

To respond, we've launched an initiative to fully cover the reopening and compliance costs for each of our churches, ensuring they remain places of hope, discipleship, and community transformation.

I invite you to be a part of this important work.

With Gratitude,

Dr. Charles Mugisha

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Founder & President of Africa New Life Ministries





A POWERFUL RECOVERY

The Story So Far

In 2024, new government regulations required all churches in Rwanda to meet strict safety and structural standards. At one point, 6 of our 12 churches were forced to close due to noncompliance.

Today, only 2 churches remain closed—a powerful testimony to the quick action and generosity of our partners. But the journey isn't over. Every church must still meet a long list of requirements to stay open ahead of the next inspection in March 2026.

These include structural upgrades like paving, soundproofing, fire suppression systems, and other costly improvements required for legal operation.



A CRITICAL DEADLINE



Long-Term Solutions

Africa New Life is committed to ensuring that every church stays open—not just for now, but for generations to come.

When churches are open, children are discipled, families are supported, communities are transformed, and the gospel is proclaimed. These aren't just buildings; they are centers of spiritual life and lasting impact.

Through the Church Development Fund, we're investing in long-term upgrades and ongoing compliance to meet government standards and equipping churches to serve sustainably.

We need the continued support of partners like you to keep these churches open, fully operational, and prepared for the March 2026 inspection and beyond.



HOPE HAS A HOME IN GASHORA

Community Population

New Life Gashora is located in Rwanda's **Bugesera District**, home to more than **86,000 people**.

District Context

New Life Gashora opened in July 2024 and was forced to close shortly after. Although New Life Gashora has reopened, many churches in the district remain closed due to the new government requirements. **New Life Gashora is one of 9 area churches currently open**—and the community is responding.

Growing to Meet The Need

Before the closures, Sunday attendance averaged **170-180**. Today, that number has grown to **over 360**, as people whose churches remain closed are finding a spiritual home here. The church now welcomes **150 children** in Sunday School each week!







KEEPING CHURCHES OPEN

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Phase One Costs: \$34,976
To comply with urgent
government mandates in
2024, Africa New Life invested
in critical improvements to
reopen churches across
Rwanda.

Covered expenses included:

- Paving and flooring
- Fire suppression systems
- Security upgrades
- Soundproofing and building repairs

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Phase Two Costs: \$13,956
Every reopened church
must now complete a new
set of improvements by
March 2026 to remain open
and compliant.

This will cover:

- Additional construction or facility upgrades
- Updated accessibility and safety standards
- Future inspection preparation and legal compliance

We are inviting you to help complete this final phase of required updates and improvements to keep New Life Gashora open!

Your partnership will ensure that this church will stay open, serve faithfully, and continue to transform communities through the gospel.

GASHORA TOTAL CURRENT NEED: \$48,932



LET'S FINISH THE WORK **TOGETHER!**

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Have questions? Let's talk.

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