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At that time, our membership was 23 sisters. We had always combined our women's day with Kampala International church of Christ because we were [too] few to have our own here in Kigali. Since we had increased in number, our leaders decided that we have our women's day as Kigali sisters. We had mixed feelings about how it would go because we felt we were still few to organize that big event.

We prayed and fasted and worked so hard and God glorified himself again. On July 5, 2014, we managed to have our women's day with an attendance of 100 of which we had 78 visitors. We are so grateful to God for the successful women's day he gave us and for the many lessons we learn[ed] from this first women's day.

During our preparations for women's day, we used to have many visitors since we started early talking to them about the great day. Many of them started studying the bible and some were even part of the singing and dancing group and they felt they were already part of us. These are women from our Gitarama village ministry.

By the time we were having our women's day, eight women who had been studying the Bible were ready to be baptized. They came to Kigali with the rest of the sisters on Saturday, July 5, 2014 for our women's day and the following Sunday, July 6, the eight ladies were baptized into the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen! Our membership rose from 23 sisters to 31 sisters that day and to God be the glory for his faithfulness to us.

We had many visitors from Gitarama ministry who came for Women's Day but still many of them could not come to Kigali for Women's Day because of transport. We started studying the Bible with some who came as well as those who could not come because they failed to raise the transport. In total 17 women started studying the Bible and 14 of them decided to get baptized and become disciples of Jesus Christ. On November 2, 2014, 14 ladies were baptized into the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are blown away by God's faithfulness in answering prayers. Indeed we serve a very powerful God! Right now we are 45 sisters in Kigali International Church of Christ. We started the year 2014 with a membership of 15 sisters and God answered our prayer of baptizing double our number. We have so far baptized 30 sisters and this gives us a total of 45 sisters. Amen! To God be the glory!

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Kigali, Rwanda ICOC: 15 Sisters Multiply to 45

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See the photo to the right? In one year, the faith of fifteen hard working sisters in Kigali, Rwanda led to the conversion of 30 friends. Wow, praise God!

Norah Namei, Women's Ministry Leader of the Kigali church, sent this story:

As we are nearing the end of the year 2014, the Kigali International Church of Christ feels very grateful for God's faithfulness during this year. In the sisters' ministry, we have experienced both numerical and spiritual growth this year. We started the year 2014 with a membership of 15 sisters. Our goal and prayer was for God to add to our number by doubling our membership (i.e. 30 baptisms). As the women's leader, I thought about that goal and shared with the sisters. Even as I shared with them, my faith was little because I felt we were asking too much from God and setting a very high goal for ourselves. But I decided to not focus on the goal but start working and God would do the rest.

On March 9, 2014, God added to our number one sister called Janette. She was one of the students in our cookery project that helps to provide skills to the community where the church is located. In the same month on March 16, seven sisters were baptized on that same day. We were so much grateful to God in the way he glorified himself on that day. There was celebration in the church and in heaven for these many souls.

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