



**FOCUS**  
**EDUCATIONAL  
 & SPIRITUAL**

**LOCATION**  
**RWANDA**

**LEADER**  
**CHRISSE MULINDABIGWI**

**OUR MINIMUM  
 ANNUAL TARGET**  
**£4500**

There are 48 literacy bases now within this project and the number continues to grow. The leaders of each project come together twice a year in a training centre in Kigali, the capital, to be updated on different aspects of literacy teaching. The objective is to train mainly ladies, who have had no education, to read and write. There are now approximately 400 graduates each year, and this number is increasing. Results over the few years of operation have been very encouraging, bringing confidence and respect to many ladies. Graduation is a significant event in the villages where the classes are run with local government officials joining with the families to celebrate the achievements of the students. Congolese ladies are also trained in refugee camps in Rwanda. There is a spiritual dimension to this programme in that each graduate receives a Bible which she can now read for herself and can use to improve her reading skills.

Chrissie Mulindabigwi, pictured above with her husband, Jano, has been a mission worker in Rwanda since 2002. She previously ran a large family centre in London and has a real gift for organising and motivating people. Chrissie is heavily engaged in work with widows and orphans who are victims of the genocide and has been influential in the establishment of a variety of small economic and training projects throughout Rwanda. Chrissie works with the leaders of the Inkuru Nziza Church and church buildings are normally used as a base for the literacy programme.

