

Dr. Kumuyi's Bio

Dr. William Folorunso Kumuyi, a former university mathematics lecturer turned globally recognized Gospel minister, is a distinguished leader in pastoral ministry and global evangelism. His passion for soul-winning stems from a powerful personal encounter with God in his early twenties. This experience ignited a burning desire within him and has kept him on his toes—more than sixty years later—sharing the saving Gospel of Christ worldwide.

Dr. Kumuyi's early life was marked by a strong academic inclination, culminating in a first-class degree in mathematics from the University of Ibadan. His academic career as a mathematics lecturer at the University of Lagos was distinguished. Still, his calling to the ministry led him to resign to fully devote himself to spreading the Christian gospel.

His ministry journey began in 1973, when Dr. Kumuyi initiated a small Bible study with fifteen people in his apartment in Lagos, Nigeria. Over five decades, this modest beginning has burgeoned into a large international Christian denomination, the Deeper Life Bible Church. Headquartered in Lagos, Nigeria, it attracts over 400,000 worshippers weekly and has over one million members in over sixty countries in Africa, Europe, Russia, Asia, and North America.

Central to his ministry is the Global Crusade with Kumuyi (GCK), an initiative that epitomizes his commitment to global evangelism. Through GCK, Dr. Kumuyi holds open-air evangelistic crusades every month from city to city, which have collectively reached over 5.3 million attendees worldwide, proclaiming the transformative message of Jesus Christ. Notably, these crusades have resulted in over 600,000 recorded decisions for Christ. Beyond evangelism, GCK's humanitarian arm, the GCK Medical Missions, provides essential health services to underserved populations.

His quest for world evangelization has brought Dr. Kumuyi into contact with great evangelists like Billy Graham and Bruce Wilkinson. He was one of the key speakers at the International Congress on World Evangelization held in Manila, Philippines, in 1989, and the Amsterdam 2000 International Conference for Itinerant Evangelists organized by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Dr. Kumuyi's strategic approach to global outreach is marked by understanding local contexts, leading to remarkable success as he traverses diverse countries. His gift for communicating profound biblical truths with clarity and relevance has impacted audiences across cultural and linguistic boundaries. From the heart of Africa to the vast expanses of Asia, Europe, and the Americas, countless lives are being transformed, hearts are turned towards faith in Jesus Christ, and communities are experiencing Christ's redeeming power.

He is renowned for his clear, expository teaching style, which makes complex theological concepts accessible to a broad audience. His mastery of Scripture is exceptional, and he does not preach about God's Word—he preaches God's Word. Journalist Alan Isaacson says of Dr. Kumuyi, “Since he was a young man, Kumuyi has devoted his time to reading and studying the Bible. He knows the Scriptures inside out and has endeavored to understand and apply them....When he preaches, his message is clear, simple, and profound. Poor street traders who can barely read sit next to university professors, all equally captivated by the way Scripture becomes suddenly relevant to them.”

Dr. Kumuyi is well known for his unwavering commitment to biblical holiness, Pentecostal preaching, and a godly lifestyle that prioritizes divine mandate over earthly ambitions. True to his name, William, he has been a stout defender of the faith, as attested by a series of odd situations that provided him with opportunities to prove his mettle in the “good fight of faith.” He believes, teaches, and lives out the Bible. His lifestyle is as convicting as his preaching.

Throughout his ministry, Dr. Kumuyi has been recognized for his commitment to pastoral training and leadership development. He organizes monthly ministers' conferences for Christian leaders, drawing on his practical experience on the frontlines of global evangelism and fostering a new generation of pastors and evangelists who continue to propagate the gospel message.

As a prolific author, Dr. Kumuyi's influence extends far beyond the pulpit. His published books cover various topics, including Christian living, evangelism, and theological study, and have been widely circulated and translated into several languages. He is also a highly sought-after speaker, inspiring audiences worldwide with his faith and passion for spreading the Gospel.

Dr. Kumuyi's life and ministry are characterized by his dedication to scriptural integrity, his passion for evangelism, and his commitment to living out the principles of the Christian faith. His influence and legacy continue to inspire and shape the global Christian community.