

## 2013 Graduates Commissioned

Three new graduates of Africa University are preparing to begin serving as mission interns. The three include two young men from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and one from Tanzania. They were among the 29 young adult missionaries who were commissioned in New York on August 12<sup>th</sup> by the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM).



**Fidele Okoko** and **Victor Kahudi** are members of the West Congo Conference and their home churches are in Kinshasa. Okoko majored in psychology at Africa University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in June. Soon, he will begin a 20-month international mission placement with the Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy—an English-speaking, interdenominational fellowship that has been ministering to migrants and foreigners in Russia for more than 50 years.

*From left to right: Fidele Okoko, the Rev. Dr. Malcolm Frazier – executive secretary for mission volunteers, Victor Kahudi, and Danny Kalangwa.*

Victor Kahudi and fellow AU graduate **Danny Kalangwa**, a Tanzanian, are awaiting confirmation of their international placement sites. Kahudi is a social science graduate, while Kalangwa majored in crop production. Both are 2013 graduates of Africa University.

The commissioning of Okoko, Kahudi and Kalangwa brings the number of Africa University graduates who have embraced service as young adult missionaries to seven. [Four AU graduates](#) were commissioned a year ago and are currently serving with partner organizations in Brazil, the Democratic Republic of Congo, the Philippines, and Switzerland.



*Danny Kalangwa with other mission interns. This year's group featured young people from five countries.*

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