



# ETHIOPIA GOSPEL OUTREACH

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## **DEAF STUDENTS RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL IN ADDIS ABABA:**



Bro. Nebayehu is the gospel preacher for the deaf at the Addis Ababa church and also a teacher in the School for the Deaf. He is pictured with two of the students just before he baptized them into Christ. He had studied God's word with them for three months. They are both deaf. On the left is Marta Getachew. She is 19 years old and a 4<sup>th</sup> grade student. On the right is Derebay Abadula. She is also 19 and a 5<sup>th</sup> grade

student. It is not uncommon for the deaf children to enter school when they are older. These two new Christian sisters will now have a special interest as they attend our Christian school. Covid restrictions are over, and the school is filled to capacity. Nebayehu, along with other teachers, are studying God's word with other deaf students and more responses will come. Please pray for this ministry.

## **FOUR ADDITIONS IN THE HAWASSA AREA:**



Bro. Tesfaye Bogale continues to teach and reach out to others with the gospel. He has had some very difficult cancer treatments for about two years and continues that battle. On the left he is shown studying with four gospel preachers from

the Sidama Region churches in his office in Hawassa. On the right he is pictured (holding the bible) with four men from areas outside of Hawassa that came and studied with him and were convicted by the gospel message and were about to be baptized. They are from different villages and with the help of preachers from the area new congregations will be planted in their homes and then in the villages where they live. Please pray for Tesfaye as he continues the struggle with his health. Bro. Tesfaye and his wife are great servants in the Lord's Kingdom.

## **TEACHING GOSPEL PREACHERS AT THE SHONE CHURCH:**



Recently Brothers Behailu and Alemayehu traveled to the Badewatcho area and visited the Shone School of Preaching facility. Forty preachers came to study with them. Behailu described those who came as the mature preachers in the area. The years they had preached were from 13 years to 43 years. They spent the afternoon together but had to leave because neither of the two roads between Shone and Hawassa are safe to travel on at night. This has been an issue for many years. Because of the

lingering problem of Covid the Shone School of Preaching is still closed. All beds for the attending students are in one dorm room and that is a problem. Hopefully this will be resolved very soon. The Shone school is the center where preachers are trained from the new congregations established through the water well drilling program. Trips like this to visit and study are vital to keep everyone encouraged and united in their focus to preach the gospel of Jesus.

## **THE BLESSING OF PURE CLEAN WATER:**



The rains have been heavy this year and will continue for another 45-60 days. Water is abundant in the rivers, streams, and ponds, but certainly not fit to drink. Soon those sources will be scarce and even more polluted than they are now. For many hundreds of people in the Sidama and Badewatcho areas this isn't a problem. Like this happy young boy they have access to a water well that has been given to them by those of you who read our reports and are touched by the needs of the people for good water. For many months we have been telling about a new drilling rig being on its way to Ethiopia. It has

been shipped from India and should have been unloaded at the port in Djibouti along with a container of replacement parts and needed equipment. The rig will be transported or driven from Djibouti to the customs center in Modjo, which is 45 miles south of Addis Ababa. Obtaining the rig and parts duty free will be a challenge, but Brother Habtu is confident it will happen. Please pray that it does. These items will bring a new energy to the drilling process because having good equipment is vital.

**UPDATE ON THE FOOD NEEDS IN BORANA:** Reports continue to come from the Borana region of widespread need for food. We have provided some help for our brethren in the Borana area, and more is needed. Present conditions do not allow travel in and out of the area and communications sources are not reliable. We continue to try to set up food sources for our people. Please pray.

Thanks to all of you who faithfully support and pray for the Lord's work in Ethiopia. Our prayer is that His blessings will be upon you. Kevin and John Ed Clark