

Addis Ababa Bible Training School Has Started!



Those of us who are a part of this new effort to train men in the word are very grateful to all who have made this effort a possibility. Each of the men in the picture above is a College Graduate and has some background in English. But we quickly found that their comprehension of our spoken English is not sufficient to ensure the comprehension needed to grow in the understanding of God's word to the extent required by the rigors of this course of study.

Lorry Boe, Joe Boe's wife, is spending 45 minutes each early am with the students working on their English. Joe and I both use a translator and make the effort to clarify and define words the students are not familiar with. We have not found this process a burden and are pleased with the response from the students.

We are starting off a bit slower than will be necessary over the longer term. Each course will need to be completed in about 60 hours of classroom time to stay on pace. Joe and I are splitting the day to begin with. He is teaching History of Christianity in a World Culture, and I am teaching Historical Christian Evidences. We are both very much enjoying the process.

The men vary in age from 24 to 40. 11 are single and 9 are married. The married students have from 0 to 5 children. It takes quite a commitment to be away from their families for the extended periods of time this program takes. Do pray for these men and their families.

This school is started in association with the Sunset International Bible Institute. We are blessed to benefit from their long history of training men to preach the word of God. Without their well-developed curriculum, it would be a daunting task to teach these men in the comprehensive fashion their program enables. Many thanks to SIBI for their participation with us in this effort.

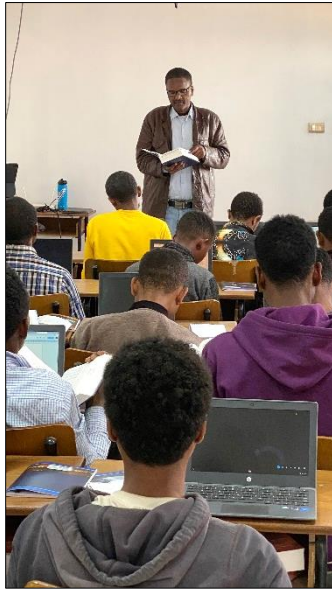
The Woodward Park Church of Christ and John Ed and Kevin Clark have been involved in this work for decades. Their untiring commitment to this work has made efforts such as this possible. We are grateful to all the donors to the work here and especially to those who have assisted with the costs of this critical 2-year Bible Training program possible. Many thanks to all of you.

Last evening (Friday October 13) we intended to have a “Movie” night with popcorn. I had downloaded about 8 episodes of the Britbox series “Foyle’s War” which I hoped they would enjoy and would also help them with their English (albeit British). After the afternoon’s class I popped enough popcorn for students and staff. Then, the power went out, so I gave them the popcorn and we’ll try again tonight to view the show.

Blessings to all,

Jim Wilson

P. S. – As you can tell, I do not have any expertise in Graphic Design and Newsletter writing. I’m not sure that this will improve but pray you will be blessed by the content of these communications.



Each day begins with a morning devotional. Pictured here is Lopiso Walde Ghorghis speaking at the first chapel.



Monte Hininger is pictured passing out new bibles for each student. These bibles are in the Amharic language. Bibles in other languages are available.



Jim Wilson is pictured teaching at the opening session. It was hoped that he would be able to teach in English but as for now an interpreter is needed.



Each student has their own locker to use. They don’t have lots of clothes like we do and that is a good thing!



The student dorm was originally the Level 2 School of Preaching. It was remodeled to accommodate the twenty students. A new building was planned but a building permit was not approved. God provides!!



Behailu Yosef is one of the students. He is from the Dawro area. He has a family as do many of the students.