



ETHIOPIA GOSPEL OUTREACH

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ADDIS ABABA CHURCH HAS MOVED TO A NEW FACILITY:



The Addis Ababa Church of Christ has moved into the cafeteria area in the new deaf school building on the school compound. Some members have returned to the assembly now that the Covid threat is over and some who had left the church altogether are now returning. The old building was unable to hold the numbers. In the center is pictured the deaf assembly. The new conversions of the deaf from the Eritrean refugee community has almost doubled the deaf congregation this year. On the right, Joe Boe is preaching with Moges doing the interpreting.



Two who returned are pictured on the left. They are Bro. Dereje and Bro. Abebe Kelisido. They were very faithful in years past but somehow became discouraged and left the church. Behailu has been concentrating on seeking them and others and

bringing them back to the church. On the right, Behailu is praying with them before the assembly. In an email Behailu made this statement about that occasion, *"Today was a joy to the church. Lots of tears. Many more are coming back to the church. God is good!"* Pray for Behailu and Alem as they have returned to Ethiopia to live and have dedicated themselves to finding the "lost sheep" and bringing them home. Behailu and Alem are great servants of Jesus.

GOOGLE NEWS REPORT: In mid November, Google News reported that only 3.2% of 12th grade students in Ethiopia passed their leaving exam. In the 8th grade, the number passing was 62%. About 75% of our 8th grade students passed. The government has changed the curriculum for all grade levels and that made it very difficult for deaf children especially. In our elementary grades almost 100% passed. We appreciate the dedication of our teachers and ask for your prayers.



URGENT REQUEST: Email received from Brother Alemayehu: “I would to ask you to keep my wife Woineshet in your prayers. She is going to have a surgery on her thyroid gland and carotid body tumors that the doctors discovered both on the left and right side of her neck. For the last two to three months we have been at hospital taking MRI, CT scans, ultrasound, biopsies and blood tests. The results show suspicions of papillary thyroid cancer and the doctors have said it has to be removed before it advances more. Therefore, Lord willing, next week Woinshet is going to have surgery to remove the thyroid gland and one of the tumors. The

second one will be removed sometime in the future, Lord willing. I have shown all the medical reports that we have on hand to Brother Jim Wilson and he advised us to go ahead and do what the doctors have planned. I kindly request you to keep her in your prayers”.

Alemayehu is one of the leaders of the Lord’s work in Ethiopia. He and his wife Woineshet have been examples to all of what dedicated Christian ministers are. Together they have gone through many discouraging and threatening periods in their Christian walk and have never once been less than a “light in the darkness” to everyone around them. Pray that this also will pass as God continues to watch over them. They are precious loving children of God.

GOOD NEWS FROM EASTERN ETHIOPIA:



Report from Bro. Belay Kebede: “Nuritu Aliyi, left, is living Chalanko, East Harage. She is the mother in law of Brother Suleman. Suleman taught her the gospel of Christ using the new booklets and worship materials prepared by World Evangelism and translated into the Oromo language. She responded to the gospel and was baptized for the remission of her sins and added to the Body of Christ. Because there is not a river or enough water for baptism where she lived, she came to Dire Dawa and was baptized here. Also, on the same occasion, Abdusalam Aliyi, right, who had studied the gospel lessons on our webpage, contacted me personally and I printed copies of those materials for him to study and he also obeyed the gospel today. Pray for these new Christians and for us. God continues to be glorified in this area of Ethiopia.”

The Lord’s work in Ethiopia is alive and well!! The gospel is being taught, preachers are being trained and the hopeless are lifted up!! All of this good work happens because of God’s blessings and the faithful support of all of you who read and respond to this report. Thank you!
Kevin and John Ed Clark