



ETHIOPIA GOSPEL OUTREACH

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NEW CHURCH ESTABLISHED IN THE DAWRO REGION:



Report from Bro. Moges: "The small town of Yalo is the location of this new congregation. Yalo is found in Gesa district which is one of ten districts in the Dawro Zone. The Lord's Church is found only in two of these districts, Esera and Gesa. In the Esera area, there are five congregations. This new congregation at Yalo is the first church planted in the Gesa district. (Behailu Yoseph, standing left and Abraham Abure, standing right in the picture)

This is the story of how the Lord's Church was organized in Yalo. A brother in Christ named Degu Kumale moved from

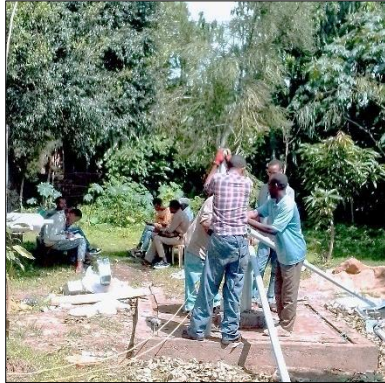
Nazareth, Ethiopia to Yalo seven years ago. He had been a member of the church in Nazareth. About 6 months ago he made a trip to Esera. Esera is fifty-five miles away from his home. While he was in this town, he saw a sign that said, "Esera Church of Christ". He was able to meet with one of the preachers, Abraham Abure. He spent a day with Bro. Abraham to discuss and study the Word of God and to pray together. Degu was encouraged by Bro. Abraham, and he went back to his home in Yalo and started to share the word of God boldly with his neighbors. Within 6 months he was able to teach and baptize nine individuals. Bro. Behailu Yosef, a preacher from the Dawro area and one of the students at the AABTI preacher training school in Addis Ababa, returned to his home for a visit and along with his father, Yosef Dolana and Abraham Abure went Yalo to visit Bro. Degu and these new Christians. They stayed with them for 5 days to study the word of God and to pray and encourage these new brethren and to evangelize in the area. They were able to baptize two more individuals and to bring their number to fourteen members. Currently the church in Yalo is worshipping in Bro. Degu's home."



TEACHING AT THE SECOND WELL SITE IN SOYAMA, SIDAMA:



Kaleb Girma is a student at the Addis Ababa Bible Training Institute in Addis Ababa. On a recent evangelism break he went to his home area in Sidama to visit his family and to teach and to encourage brethren in the area. The water well drilling crew had completed a second well in the Soyama area and Kaleb accompanied them to the location the day they were installing the pump on the new well. He took that opportunity to gather men from the area to study with them about Christ and His Church.



On the left, the drilling crew is shown installing the pump on the new well at Soyama. You can see the men under the shade tree sitting with Kaleb. Kaleb had prepared some lesson outlines so the men he is teaching will have a record of their study. Seyum and other preachers will follow up and continue to

teach after the water is tested and approved. The people will be very pleased to have good water for their families. Hundreds of people in this area of Soyama will use water from this well. Their hearts are open because they have been blessed with this wonderful gift.

UPDATE ON THE CIVIL UNREST IN THE COUNTRYSIDE:

Travel outside the city of Addis Ababa is still not recommended. Air service to the south is available and that makes it possible to travel to Hawassa. Public transportation and trucks are targeted more often than private cars. Our water drilling crew travel on the main highway to Hawassa and then on to the drilling area in Sidama, but it is restricted to mornings and early afternoons. All the Schools for the Deaf, the Kindergartens and the churches are operating without any problems. It is not safe to travel to the western region and especially the city of Nekempte. All these restrictions prevent the preachers and staff from going to the areas to encourage and teach. Still, work is going forward and going well. Your prayers are important during these troubled times.

GRADUATION AT THE NEKEMTE KINDERGARTEN 2024:



The school year at the Nekempte KG ended with the graduation of the students who completed the three-year program. The pictures were taken on an older cellphone and the quality is not good. However, we were pleased to see

everything there is going fine as parents and friends packed the school assembly for the celebration. Reports from the area indicate the churches are also growing and reaching out with the saving message of Jesus. God be praised!! Thanks to all who support and pray the ministries in Ethiopia. Kevin and John Ed Clark