



ETHIOPIA GOSPEL OUTREACH

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OUTREACH IN THE DAWRO AREA:



Bro. Behailu Yosef, an AABTI student pictured on the left wearing a tie, went back to his home area of Dawro during an evangelism furlough in April. He stopped in the Tercha area to visit a new church in Sheba. He and those with him spent and spent three days, (Friday

to Sunday afternoon) to preach and teach the word of God. Behailu shared these pictures with us showing some of those who attended. On the right, two brethren are pictured holding out their new bibles that Behailu distributed to those who never had a bible of their own. Dawro is a distant area in southern Ethiopia. Behailu and his father, Brother Yosef, went to the Dawro area several years when the government took families from Hydia, Kambatta, Wollieta and other areas to resettle them in the less populated area of Dawro. Mathew and his father were not among those resettled, but they understood there were many members of the church among those who were resettled so they moved to the new area to reorganize our brethren into five congregations. Since that time the number of congregations has grown. It is a very receptive area for acceptance of the truth of the gospel of Jesus.

WATER PROJECT EVANGELISM:



The city of Bona is in the Arbegona area. The Water Bureau asked us to drill a deep well (500 feet) on the compound of a school and health center. They agreed to complete the well with an electric pump and water storage tanks. This well will serve many thousands of people in that community. During the drilling, three of the AABTI preacher training school students from that area that were on an evangelism furlough were present

and taught the people and passed out many World Bible School lessons. These students were Wolde Worku, Amsale Silas and Wotasa Wone. Amsale is pictured on the right talking with two men from the community and presenting the World Bible School lesson material to them. The population of Bona is more than 150,000 people. There are no congregations there yet but that will change soon!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES:



More than 800 students attend our five Christian Schools for the Deaf and our three Kindergartens. Many of you who read this report are personally involved in sponsoring one or more of these beautiful children. Pictures on the left are a group of students at the Mazoria School for the Deaf. This school started in 1971 and has taught thousands of deaf and hearing children. Pictured with them is one of the teachers in the Mazoria school. He walks from his home nine miles from the school and picks up students along his way and brings them to school with him. He is deaf and is completely committed to the children he watches over. Several years ago, the government issued a proclamation that 75% of the students at schools for the deaf must be deaf. With the unrest and lack of public transportation and the economic condition of all people in the rural areas who are unable to take in two or three of the deaf students who live long distances from the school we were unable to meet the 75% requirement. We were given an exemption and now most of our students are hearing. There are no words to describe the destitute poverty of the people in the rural areas. The ministry provided freely for the students in our rural schools give them an opportunity to learn in a Christian environment and the meal provided for them each day is not offered anywhere else. God has blessed us with this ministry and with your partnership and support we pray it will continue for years to come.

DON DELUKIE TEACHING AT THE ADDIS ABABA BIBLE INSTITUTE:



Don DeLukie has been associated with the Gospel Outreach in Ethiopia for many years. He was invited to come and teach the book of Hebrews at the Addis Ababa Bible Training Institute. On the left he is shown preaching for the congregation in Addis Ababa while Bro. Behailu interprets for him. On the right he is conversing with Brother Demere Chernet following the assembly on May 11th.

Demere is 89 years old and has been a member of the Lord's church longer than any brother living in that country. This is a very encouraging time for all the members of the church in Addis Ababa and for all who have been involved in the Gospel Outreach. Our prayer is that God will continue to bless the work.

Many of you who read this report have chosen to receive it digitally. If you would like to do that, please let Kevin know at: kevin_l_clark@yahoo.com. May God be with you all as we work together in His Kingdom.

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