



News & Views

Ethiopian Outreach Ministry

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Purpose of Ethiopian Outreach Ministry

- ◆ Reach unreached Ethiopians with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- ◆ Teach and encourage Ethiopian believers to be strong in their faith and help them grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ and the scriptures.
- ◆ Prepare Ethiopians for various ministries in churches and fellowships.
- ◆ Help Ethiopians in their efforts of church planting in different countries.
- ◆ Produce printed materials of Christian education and Bible studies, audio resources, and radio programs.
- ◆ Conduct seminars.
- ◆ Train and develop future church leaders and teachers.



Praise and Prayer Corner

- Praise God, we now own the Leadership Training Center (LTC) building.
- Praise God for His faithfulness.
- Praise God for the release of Eritrean prisoners. Thank you for all who prayed for them.
- Pray for the man who the government wants to serve in the military after his release.
- Pray for funds for renovation of the LTC building.
- Pray for the persecuted church around the world. For more information go to www.worthynews.com.



YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

"Please do not discontinue sending the monthly CDs. They are my lifeline" begged one of our listeners, earlier this year. The reason for her request was that she received a service discontinuation notice from us. We send these notices every so often when we don't have any correspondence from the recipients. She wasn't the only one who reacted to the notice, but her plea was touching. Another person shared that she listens to our messages a couple of times a day and even at night when she can't go to sleep. She pops in one of our CDs to help her calm down and fall asleep.

We know countless people have been served by this ministry and continue to be served, but we mustn't forget that the countless are made up of individuals, like these two women. And each person matters to God. He started His relationship with human beings with one man, Adam, not a group of people.

So, if you ever wonder whether your support makes a difference in the grand scheme of things, we want to assure you that it does. We hear it from our readers and listeners through letters, phone calls, in person, and on Facebook. Lives are being snatched from hell and transformed to make an impact for Jesus, in this dark and dying world.

The truth is, you may never meet the people who are blessed by your support on this side of life, but you will on the other side. So, thank you and God bless you for your continued support.~

As I look back the journey of EOM during the last 35 years, I see how God's mighty hand has been leading us every step of our way as we continue to carry out the task He has called us for. He enabled us to make great and significant impacts in the lives of many unfortunate and displaced Ethiopians around the world. During the past 35 years, God has done many marvelous things, not only in our lives, but also in our ministry. We have so much to thank and praise Him for. We are humbled to see God choosing us to have a significant part in reaching out to His unreached people. We are now close to the end of our race and hope that we will finish well.

Those who have shared our vision for the scattered Ethiopians have been very excited in seeing a ministry emerging to reach out to those dispersed Ethiopians around the world. Among the many who were excited about EOM was the late Dr. Harvey T. Hoekstra, a former missionary to Ethiopia. He said, *"I also have heard from Melese Wogu ... What he is doing in terms of Ethiopian community in North America is precisely what should be done for each of the special groups of people who are scattered around our great country. This is a tremendous mission field. It is a mission field which, if the gospel is presented in the right way, could have effects for the spreading of the gospel back into the cultures from which many of these people come from."*

Churches in Ethiopia have grown 300 to 400 percent during the last 20 years. This growth is not without serious concern. The Word of Faith

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MESSAGE ON FACEBOOK MESSENGER

My dearly beloved brother Melese Wogu, may God's mercy and grace be yours. I am happy to have found you on Facebook. Back in 2001 when I came to this country, I had been a Christian only a year, therefore I didn't know many believers and it felt hopeless that I might even find any. Knowing this, my family who persecuted me for my decision to follow Jesus, encouraged me to return to my former religion. But the life of Christ in me would not even allow me to entertain that thought, not even for a second.

Through it all, I searched for believers via the internet and that is when I came across your teachings. You had a 10–15 minute program that I listened to for my daily bread and found comfort in. And so, after all these years, to find you on FB brings me great joy and I thank God who comforted me through you. May God continue to bless you all the days of your life. ~ Keber L.B.

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Movement is exploding in Ethiopia. Churches in Ethiopia have been heavily influenced by this movement, to the point where many consider it the main thrust of the charismatic movement. Local church leaders either did not know how to handle it or chose to remain silent due to fear of excommunication from the pulpit or to avoid being labeled as an "enemy of the Holy Spirit." With few exceptions, EOM was the only voice that openly and courageously addressed this issue. The time is long due for church leaders to take a serious look at the teachings of the Word of Faith Movement. Very little has been written or said about the defective teaching this movement in Ethiopia. Please pray for us so that church leaders can take proper actions on this matter. ~ Melese Wogu

~ Financial Corner ~

For this quarter reporting, our year-to-date budget is \$176,879 and our year-to-date receipts total \$146,586.



REMINDER

**SPREAD THE WORD!
INVITE YOUR FAMILY
AND FRIENDS TO
OUR BANQUET**
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