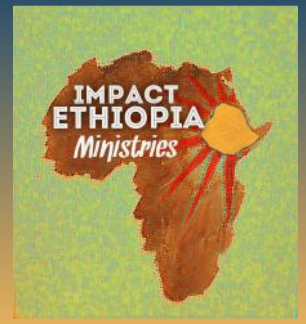




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Planting Churches

Impacting lives and communities in Ethiopia by multiplying and growing Christ followers.



2023 Trips Empower and Train Leaders

This year the doors have opened up to be able to go to the north since the civil war has ended. We were able to take two separate trips to two different parts of the North. We were able to visit and encourage our church plants as well as do a training for all the church leaders in the area. The focus was on leadership in the new curriculum Mark developed, "Leading Like Joseph." The Landcruiser that we were able to purchase at the end of last year was necessary for both of these trips. We were able to go through muddy and hard terrain. The Landcruiser has become know as "Anbesa" which means lion in Amharic. Praise God for the work that He has been able to do through this new tool.



Planning For New Church Plants



On the first trip, we got to meet this host family as we scouted out possibilities for new church plants. This family used to go to a church in Debra Berhan, but moved to be able to get work in a new factory. This town doesn't have a church for them to worship with, but they are willing to host a church in their house until a church can be planted. IEM hopes to partner with them to send a church planter to their town who would work full-time to evangelize to the community they live in. Plans are being made and a church planter training will take place later this month!



We celebrated Easter for two weeks in a row! We celebrated on the Gregorian calendar with you and then the next week on the Coptic calendar with our Ethiopian friends/family. We are blessed to get to celebrate Jesus's resurrection twice!



Prayer Points

1. Pray for new church plants that are in process.
2. Pray for the persecuted church in Ethiopia.
3. Pray for our family as we transition our last son, Tyler, to college this summer.
4. Pray for peace in the country, there is more unrest developing again.
5. Pray for our quick 2 month furlough this summer to be a blessing to those we get to share with and that God would provide above and beyond financially for the IEM.

The Persecuted Church



On my last trip to the north, we got to visit a pastor and some of the members of the church. They are in a very resistant area to the Gospel. They recently were put in jail for evangelizing in the market after 16 people came to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. When they were released they went to their worship place to find that it had been burned down. They rented this room to meet in, but now no one will rent to them. They are forced to cram into a room that the pastor made in his house. You can see from the map that Ethiopia has "Very High Levels of Persecution." This is one example of the persecution that is happening. Because of the persecution many of the 16 people have fallen away to avoid persecution from their friends and family. However the young man to the left has held strong, but lives with the pastor temporarily until he can support himself again. Please pray for the persecuted church in Ethiopia.

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