

December 24, 2019

Happy Christmas and New Year!



Dear friends and family:

We wish you and all your family Happy Christmas and New Year! It is our prayer that the Lord keeping you and your family safe under His mercy and bless abundantly as you are celebrating His Birthday. All our kids Lydia, Ebenezer, and Bethany are growing healthy. We are praising the Lord who keep our family safe and blessed our effort with much fruit in the kingdom.

God is Multiplying His Church in our Ministry!

When we celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ's birthday, I want to share with you one testimony which God has done in our ministry.

Godana Dedicha (Pastor), is active church plater who being trained multiplying churches and community curriculum which given by Great Commission Ministry Ethiopia. Before he came to the training he had a passion for the lost but not know how to reach the people. After the training, he got the direction and strategy to plant churches which multiply among the community. Then he started sharing the gospel and planted three churches within a few months period, the church leaders who sent him for the GCM training appreciated his passion and evangelism work, but warned to stop planting churches in different places believing that the local church has no capacity to manage and finance the multiplying churches that Godana initiated. Instead of planting new churches they encouraged him to focus on pastoring 1st local church, Godana tried for three months to not go in new places but he felt as he is disobeying the Holy Spirit. Finally, he asked the leaders to bless him to continue planting churches, then they allowed him to start his own denomination. Then, Godna left the denomination and start new church by following the principle which he learned in church planting training three years ago. Now his church being multiplied in 19 places. See below charts.



100 Muslims became Christian in one Day!

Godana is working among one of the unreached Borena people group. Muslims are dominated and highly expanding in Anole from the Somali while they are bordering. In his outreach journey in Anole, one-day Godana met with Muslim guy Diqa and shared about Jesus, Diqa was refused, but asked Godana do you believe that your God Jesus can heal my son. Diqa's son was sick and taking many places both for medications and spiritual places like witchcraft doctor, Mosques.... for a long time but there was no solution. Godan prayed for the son even he not allowed to see and touch the son. God has healed the son immediately after the prayer. In the next day, the Diqa invited Godana and his team in his house to say thank you. And also, the whole community is called by the Diqa to see Godana and his team. When the people gathered Diqa shared how his son being healed by the prayer of Godana and his team. Then Godana boldly shared them the gospel message for the gathering. Some of them interested to hear more about Jesus and invited them into their house to pray for those who sick. Godana and his team stayed the whole day praying and sharing the good news of Jesus from house to house. Among the people who heard the message, 100 Muslims accepted Christ as their Savior and Lord at one day in the same village.

After many Muslims converted, the Muslim leaders came from other place and tried to challenge them, they refused the Muslim leaders saying you bring us the bondage, but Jesus set us free from the bondage, you bring us sickness, but Jesus healed us and our cattle's, leave our village and our community, now we are Christians no more Muslim, we see Jesus's love and compassion in our life. Now more than 300 people are worshiping Jesus the Lord!

