The Gospel Shaking Very Remote Areas of Ethiopia

Family and Ministry Update

Dear Family and friends we greet you in the precious name of Our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ who called us to serve Him in this generation. It is our prayer that the Lord keeping you safe and under His mercy.

My daughter still in ICU Korea Hospital since April 5, we need strong prayer and Support as she is in a critical situation and financially as we are paying 7000 birr (\$250) per-day!

Ministry Update

Since January 2019 I have taken the national leadership responsibility for Global Church Movement, my priority was setting strategic direction and introducing our new church planting curriculum called MC²3.o. book Editing, printing, training staff and readjusting sub departments responsibility and direction. In this responsibly I give a leadership for national church planting movement, women's for change, North East Initiative (Missionary sending), Mobilization and Children Ministry.

Generally in the last three month from January -March 2019 in the grace of God more than 131,091 people heard the good news of our Lord, among them 13,061 people accepted Christ as their savior, and 158 churches and fellowships being planted by our effort.

Church Planting Update

In the last three month from January to March 2019 in the grace of God we could able to Share the gospel message for more than 70,814 people, 12,025 people decided to accept Christ as their personal savior and Lord, 110 churches and groups being planted with a total new believers of 2,304 members by church planting department only.

North East Initiative (Missionary Sending) Update

In the last three month range we could able to share the good news for 53,138 people, among them 650 people got saved, 48 new churches and fellowship being planted, 389 of new believers are under our missionaries follow-up, 1500 bible distributed secretly among Orthodox believers in North part of Ethiopia.

Women's for Change Update

From January 2019 to March 2019 we have mobilized 914 women's for prayer, bible study



and evangelism. Through these women's many holistic work being started like helping the poor, feeding the hungry, providing necessary supplies for Prisoned women's and their children's. Generally using these activities 205 weekly bible study group being established, 7139 people heard the good news of Jesus Christ, among them 386 people decided to accept Christ as their personal savior and Lord.

Changed Life Testimonies

God is multiplying His Church

Godana Jarso is one of the church planters who's been trained church planting training from



churches in Borana (southern Part of Ethiopia). In April, 2017 after the church planting training GCM staffs conducted Film show in a small village called Jala, where there was no identified believer. This rural village, Jala, is located 50km from Mega town with no paved road to get there. During the first Jesus Film show 20 people decided to welcome Jesus into their lives and Godana committed himself to help these new converts grow in their faith. He organized a fellowship group

using these new believers. Along the follow up process, Godana selected few people among the new believers in order to develop them as leaders while our church planting team coached him on monthly basis. When these growing leaders took the initiative to share Christ daily, the church became growing rapidly and multiplication started. The church that started winning 20 people in April 2017 grew to 877 believers in December 2018 which is within less than two years.

Godana's vision was to flood the villages with the gospel and plant churches in each village. By God's grace, Godana with his new leaders he has seen 11 generation of church less than a

year. God is Multiplying His Church!



Godana

"The Lord who healed me can heal you too!"

Getahun Zemede lives in Eastern part of Ethiopia, in a remote village dominated by Muslim



believers. He was bound by evil spirits for more than two years. He was unable to live in his house because the spirit causes him to run out and live in bushes. His family took him hospitals to find out cure. He had no appetite and lost weight.

One day Getahun's wife heard of a powerful witchdoctor nearby (20 minutes' walk), decided to visit the witchdoctor with Getahun.

The 20 miniute walk took 5 hours for Getahun because he was so weak. Sadly, the witchdoctor told them, "Getahun has no hope. He will die soon." His wife, Family and friends lost their hope and waiting his last breath.

one-day Lulu, a church planter who being trained MC² Visited Getahun and challenge him, "You may die but why don't you receive Christ and go to heaven." Getahun refused that time. The other day, Lulu came again and shared the gospel, challenge him again to accept Christ by saying. "If you receive Christ you will be in heaven with Jesus" and left the house after Praying laying hand on Getahun's head. That night, Getahun slept well without pain for the first time.

Next morning. Lulu was called and took Getahun to church for prayer. Lulu fasted and prayed for Getahun's deliverance and he was free from the spirits possessed him. After the deliverance Getahun said "I felt Something clear-fell from me". After his deliverance, Getahun returned home. He returned to his farm and start working. He began sharing his new life and start to pray for people. About 10 people came to Christ because of Getahun's life change. The news spread in the community. Getahun started to experience miracles in his ministry. He prayed for a sick child about to die and the child was healed. A paralytic came to him and was healed. He is now one of the church planters being coached by GCM team. Now he is leading new church which he planted in a village called Woliqituma Ebsa.

"Let the Lord be worshiped in My House!"

Seifu Tesfaye lives in the same village with Getahun in a eastern part of Ethiopia. He had



mental problem, suffered with sever fever and headache for 13 years. He tried every witchdoctors local medicines to find cure but any of these couldn't help. His family suffered because of him.

One-day Lulu asked Getahun the usual question, "to whom is God leading you? Is there someone in your community whose heart open?" then Getahun replied "Seifu". Getahun and Lulu prayed and went to Seifu's house. When they entered, Seifu wife insisted her husband, to listen to them.

They told him "we came to visit you and help if you have needs in his farm", but Seifu told them as he was sick and can't go out for farming. They also shared the gospel but he refused. As they were leaving, they realized his clothes were wet, asked him about it. He told them that he socked the clothes in to water put it in his body so that he can get relief from his severe fever. Getahun used this opportunity to share his personal testimony. Finally, he challenged seifu by saying "The Lord who healed me can heal you too."

They asked if they could pray for him. He agreed they prayed, the evil spirit left him. Then, Seifu asked Lulu & Getahun to come every day and teach him. This doesn't please Seifu's family and parents. Opposition persisted even they took him to the community court. They announced that he is no longer part of the family. His mother in laws also rejected him. He could not visit their homes nor involve in the social responsibility.

Getahun who led him to Christ, came to his house daily to teach the bible. The family is getting



Seifu's house which given to church and 1st church of the village

stronger in their faith. The youngsters in the community threw stones at their house. The bible teaching continued in seifus house few people from the village start to attend then seifu decided to give their house to be a house church.

When the community heard as Seifu's house became a church, the persecution continued with anger. One day neighbors removed the iron sheets from roof. This didn't stop seifu from sharing the gospel and discipline more people in his house. Now more than 85 believers are worshiping God. Praise the Lord!

"Jesus Removed my suffering!"

Asnakech was suffering with swelling all over her body. Seeking her health, she went to



witchcraft, but she didn't get recovered. And also she has taken many medicines but didn't work. She Suffered for long time.

one day a Church planter, Getahun Zewde, who was healed from the same suffering met her; shared his personal testimony and the Good news, about Jesus. When she received Christ, he prayed for her. Asnakeche got recovered from the long suffering. Seeing this her healing husband also has received Christ. Now she is active member of the church and involve in leading people to Christ.

The story of Chaltu: (Disciples who obey)

Oli Mulisa is a church planter in the central part of Ethiopia, after taking a MC2 training by



Great Commission Staffs he start to share a gospel and mobilize his local church for evangelism. Oli is aggressive in Evangelism so he led Muluneh and Abeshu to Christ who were friends for long time. These two friends brought the gospel to their families. These houses holds set free from the chains of the sprit. Oli planted his first church in Muluneh's house. For his ministry is full of signs and wonders, many

people delivered from the evil spirit. When testimony spread out in the village and 45 people came to Christ.

A few later, Muluneh and Abeshu become leader of the new church. Further Oli challenged them to go out and plant another church in the neighboring village. Though Both of them are business men, Muluneh and Abeshu involve their wives and form a missional team to plant a church. This mission team starts prayer walk and outreach. Two months ago, February 2019 they lead 5 men to Christ and start a follow up group.

I interviewed the two prayer warriors Zenebech and Chaltu (the wives of Muluneh and Abeshu) Chaltu's testimony is presented shortly.

My life was full of bitterness and challenge. My husband Abeshu was a



Chaltu & Zenebech (left to right)

drunker, we fight every night. My youngest boy was sick I took him to hospital, witch doctors, religious places for prayer but had no solution.

One nigh my husband came home early. It was strange to me. The next morning he tells me that he accepted Christ. I don't trust him because he used to lie me a lot even I though the reason he wasn't get drunk last night was because he has no money.

My husband's behavior is dramatically changed. We didn't fight for months, no alcohol in the house. I developed some trust but feared my families (for my dad is a priest in Ethiopian Orthodox church) not to bring shame on them. But one Tuesday morning Abeshu challenged me to bring the boy in the prayer program started in the neighborhood. Abeshu tells me "the God who changes my life can change my son's life too." I took the boy to the prayer house and they prayed together for my family, that night my boy get peaceful sleep. The next morning he start to play with the village boys. My family story become a testimony for our village. People start to attend the prayer program found peace and eternal life through Jesus. My husband and I become active members of the church, our life transformed, we share our faith to potherbs boldly.

Now I become part of the mission team to plant a church in the village next to us. I involve in the team by prayer and evangelism. God is working with us so far we won 5 men. our husbands are following them up. I and my Good friend Zenebech are backing our husbands by prayer and facilitating the church program.

The training we got from our pastor Oli helped us on how to pray, care and share Christ for people. We were inspired by how God used women for establishing the church. I accept the challenge from my pastor Oli and obey the commands of the Lord to go and make disciples.