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**Ethiopia Update:** The team from North Carolina has arrived safely in Ethiopia. The team has adopted the name Operation Transformation for their trip. They report that 6,500 were saved their first day of evangelism. The team requests prayer for 1.) The Reconciliation & Unity Conference 2.) The crusades that will take place in several cities 3.) The preaching that will take place in churches on Sunday morning and the crusade that will take place on Sunday night. 4.) The preaching that will take place in multiple places throughout the area of Sodo. 5.) Haile and Tsedale as they host the team and continue with the ministry in Ethiopia. 6.) Health and safety.

**We are in desperate need of Bibles.** Last year we saw 353,000 people saved in Ethiopia. So far this year we have seen about 130,000 people saved (Not counting those saved as a result of the team currently in Ethiopia.). Local pastors have requested Bibles to disperse to the new Christians so that they can be disciplined. As you consider your year-end giving please keep this in mind. Donations can be made through PayPal on the EIM website, or can be mailed to Ebenezer International Ministries, Inc., P.O. Box 606 Milan, TN 38358.

**From the Chairman:** In our present time it seems that so many are looking for a hero. In recent years the word has been applied so commonly that it has lost some of its meaning. Who are your heroes? I found a new hero when I read Joshua 14:12. The occasion was Joshua dividing up the Promised Land and assigning allotments to the Children of Israel. Caleb came to Joshua and made the request, “**give me this mountain.**” We understand that Caleb was a national hero. He probably could have asked for any piece of land he wanted and his request would have been granted. Also, this mountain was not a resort area. The mountain was inhabited by the Anakim. The Anakim were the giant people that the Israelites had so greatly feared that forty years prior they refused to obey God when He told them to take possession of the Promised Land. Of all of the people of Israel who deserved to rest and enjoy and take it easy for a while, Caleb was the most worthy. Instead of asking for an easy life he asked that he be allowed to go in the strength of the Lord and finish the job of driving the giants from the Promised Land, and he did just that. Caleb didn’t have to do that. He could have rested on his laurels and no one would have blamed him. But multiple times in the same chapter we are told something else about Caleb, “he wholly followed the Lord God.” His desire was to be an instrument to finish the job that God had started with the Israelites. Oh that God would raise up a generation of heroes within the Christian community that, instead of asking God to bless them with an easy life, they would pray for God to give them a mountain to inhabit and giants to conquer. Be a hero. Wholly follow God. Finish strong.

Blessings,

Bill

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