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## From our Executive Director:

Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters and fellow supporters, we greet you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. "Let us run the race that is set before us with endurance, our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith" (Heb12:2). The whole world is going through a difficult time with COVID-19. Many unexpected things are happening in our lives and the life of the church, but as Christians we are encouraged daily. We see a great example in Job, enduring in suffering. He lost his oxen, sheep, and camels. He lost everything, even his children. What did he do? He arose, tore his robe, shaved, and fell to the ground and worshiped. Dear beloved friends, our hope is from heaven! Let us fix our eyes on the Lord. We greatly appreciate your generous support of the school salaries for the last four months; it has been a great help. Please continue to pray that the school can open in September. Please continue pray for Berket, one of the orphan boys. He has parasites and is not eating good and has lost much of his weight. Tsedale took him to the doctor, but he is not completely cured. The rest of the children are doing well. The Ethiopian new year is coming up and every child is expecting new clothes and shoes. Please pray for this, as we trust the Lord. We continue printing on a small scale since COVID-19 and are hoping to go back to normal after the new year. Last week a great violence broke out in Sodo. Many people were killed, as Satan is always busy trying to destroy the unity in the church. Businesses and banks were closed for a few days but are now open. Please pray for our dear friends in Sodo.

## From the Chairman:

Since its inception in 2017, the Lord has done some truly amazing things through Ebenezer International Ministries. Originally founded as a means of providing love and support for Haile and Tsedale, our website states we will help bring all the ministries under one umbrella, assist with planning and development, provide oversight, continuity, and accountability, and provide a central hub for the promotion of the ministry and the collection and distribution of funds. In the past three years the Lord has provided through his people nearly \$238,000 which has allowed the ministry to...

- be part of seeing well over ½ million people come to Christ
- lead gospel preaching conferences and crusades for well over a million participants in total
- see hundreds if not thousands of pastors and church leaders trained in Bible doctrine and practical Christian service
- be part of several churches starting
- see several thousand children and youth receive a Christian education
- love on and provide for 100's of orphaned children
- not to mention the 100's of thousands of pieces of gospel literature produced and distributed across Ethiopia

For the last several months even though things look very different the work continues. We find ourselves looking to the Lord once again to provide a great need, \$57,500 by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

- \$10,000 as we continue to help meet the needs of Cross Point School for teacher's salaries and food
- \$40,000 for the purchase of the paper needed for Miskel Minch Printing for the upcoming year
- as well as funds to meet the salary for our missionary family

Please pray for these needs and consider how the Lord may use you to meet them. (See the information at the bottom of this page). How wonderful that the Lord would allow us to have a part in all He is doing in Ethiopia through Ebenezer International Ministries.

In Christ – Brother Jeff

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