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NEWSLETTER

From the Chairman:

Wow, what an amazing year! I have often said that most people don't experience God-sized things, because they don't attempt God-sized things. We, here at Ebenezer International Ministries, Inc. (EIM) have sure experienced some God-sized things within the past twelve months. Haile proposed the idea of EIM to us in January. Since then, at times, God has seemingly moved heaven and earth on behalf of EIM, and He used many of you to accomplish His purposes.

In our first year of existence, we have seen approximately 20,000 people saved. EIM participated with the Don Whitt Evangelistic Association to sponsor two short-term evangelism teams. Team members ministered in schools, churches, prisons, and on the streets of numerous cities and small villages in Ethiopia. A much-needed medical clinic was held for the children at Cross Pointe Christian Academy. Computers were supplied for the children at the school, and another U.S. teacher has joined the staff at Cross Pointe. Three new churches were started. Thousands of Bibles were distributed, and approximately 200 pastors and their wives attended conferences sponsored by EIM teams. All of these things happened in Ethiopia. Stateside, God put together a very special group of people who agreed to serve on the Board of Directors. He provided other people with the expertise we needed to work our way through the legal maze we had to navigate just to become a legal entity. We have a website (ebenezerim.org), and we put out a monthly newsletter. All of this, and we haven't even mentioned the myriad of other things that had to come together just so we can function on a daily basis. God has been faithful, and there have been many occasions where we have just stood, with hearts full, and mouth agape while we marveled at what He has done.

While it is a blessing to look back over the year and enumerate all of the accomplishments, we also look with great anticipation to what is coming. In 2018, we already have plans for three short-term evangelism teams. More churches will be built. Thousands more Bibles will be distributed. Additional pastors conferences will be held. We are praying that Haile will be able to complete the building of a new facility to house the print shop so that he can get out from under a financially oppressive lease situation. Local authorities in Ethiopia have asked EIM to provide medical clinics, schoolteacher training, and leadership training. We are also planning to put together a training session to teach church leaders how to conduct a Bible school for children. So much has been accomplished, and yet, we have barely scratched the surface in comparison to what God wants to accomplish in us, and through us.

To all you who have supported us through this first year with your prayers, your finances, your participation, and your encouragement we say, thank you, and God bless you abundantly.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to You & Yours,
Bill Anderson

Greetings from Ethiopia. My name is Vicki Waters (Big Nanna to my grandchildren), and it is my privilege to work at Crosspointe school. God has placed me in a very exciting ministry with Haile and Tsedale Tefera. I teach 2nd grade science and run Appleton clinic located in campus at the school. I see an average of 10-12 kids a day with lots of different issues, such as boo boos that need Band-Aids, lots of skin issues and some kids just want to talk. It's amazing how God bridges the language barrier with a smile and a touch. We have 200+ displaced children that

Crosspointe school support. I'm asking that you partner with me to pray about what God is asking you to do for His children. There are many ways through EIM that you can be part of what God is doing in Ethiopia. I'm excited to begin 2018 in Ethiopia, God is on the move here.

Thank you in advance for your prayers and support.

Till He Shouts

Vicki



Christmas Gift Fund Opportunity



Ebenezer International Ministries is offering an opportunity to donors to give to EIM over the next few months in honor or memory of family or friends in lieu of a Christmas gift. Just place the request on the back of the contribution/commitment card: your name, the name of the recipient (or the recipient's family), the amount of the contribution, and the recipient's mailing address. EIM will send the recipient a Christmas card stating that a gift has been given in their honor or memory. As you pray about this opportunity, EIM would like to again say "thank you" for your support in prayer for this ministry.

To contact EIM or contribute to EIM (tax-deductible donation): Ebenezer International Ministries, Inc.,

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