



### August 2021

**Evangelism and Discipleship** – Haile has a busy next couple of months as three teams are headed to Ethiopia to do evangelism, discipleship, and crusade ministry. (1) Board member Charles Thomas and brother Don Whitt will be in Ethiopia, along with their wives for a couple of weeks the end of August and beginning of September.



We are excited for their trip, as it will be the first time, we have had teams back in Awassa since the tribal conflicts nearly 4 years ago. (2) Brother Jerry Spencer will be leading a region wide crusade in the soccer stadium in Sodo the middle of September, Lord willing, and (3) our board chairman, Jeff Joyce, will be leading a team of 15 in October to do evangelism, lead discipleship studies, and do two crusades, as well as prison ministry in and around Sodo. Please join us in praying for a powerful movement of the Spirit of God in these days, for safety in all the travels, for Haile to have the energy to do all that will need to be accomplished, and for Tsedale as Haile will be

away from home for the biggest part of two months.

**Miskel Minche printing** – Many people have asked about how the printing ministry is doing, and the update is not good. The economy in Ethiopia (which will be addressed following) is hindering the work of our printing ministry, as there are little funds for Christian ministries within the country to afford printing.

**Crosspointe School** – Tsedale and her team are preparing for a new school year, and one big issue they are facing is the devaluing of the Bir, and the drastic inflation throughout Ethiopia. What this means is the dire need to raise the teacher’s salaries to try and keep pace with inflation. We are praying desperately to be able to give each employee of the school an average raise of 2500 bir/ month, which translates roughly to \$60/month. This would mean a nearly one third increase in the budget for salaries for the coming year. Work on the additional classrooms for classes in September is proceeding, and we are praying to take the needed funds for completion to Haile in October.



**The Country** – Ethiopia finds itself entangled in a civil war in its northern region of Tigray. Many resources that are needed elsewhere find themselves going to the efforts to end this uprising. The effects of this conflict are being felt throughout the nation, not only through the conflict itself, but in the toll it is having on Ethiopia’s fragile economy which had seen some progress since Prime Minister Aiby’s election four years ago. Pray for an end to this conflict, and for economic improvements that would allow for improved lives and more effective ministry opportunities.

**Finally** – We want to thank DeeDee, Haile and Tsedale’s oldest daughter for the time she has served with Ebenezer. After several months on the field with her parents she will be continuing her journey of life back in the states. Pray for each of Haile and Tsedale’s girls: DeeDee, Abigail., and Amen and their walk with the Lord.