



# Ethiopia Gospel Outreach

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## **EQUIPPING GOSPEL PREACHERS AND CHURCH LEADERS:**

Brothers Carrell Dennis, Joe Boe and Kevin Clark traveled to Ethiopia in early October. The purpose of their trip was to teach and encourage preachers, church leaders and members in the southern and western regions of the country. One week seminars were scheduled at each of the Level One Schools of Preaching and brethren in those areas were invited to attend. In this brief letter we will present some of the highlights and pictures of this very successful outreach ministry.

## **JAJURA SCHOOL OF PREACHING SEMINAR:**



The 40<sup>th</sup> session of the preaching school was in session during the seminar. Regular classes were postponed as Carrell and Joe filled five days teaching lessons on personal outreach commitment and other principles of church leadership. Joe is pictured teaching on the left. Center is this session's students at the preaching school. On the right Carrell and Joe are pictured meeting and talking with several preachers between classes. These informal gatherings are a vital part of passing along personal growth information that will benefit these men for the rest of their lives.

## **SHONE SCHOOL OF PREACHING SEMINAR:**



Left: Carrell is pictured teaching the group of preachers and leaders from the Shone, Badewatcho and Wollietta areas. Center: Students and instructors of the 14<sup>th</sup> session at the Shone School of Preaching. Right: A group picture of those attending the five day seminar. Some of these men have been preaching for more than 40 years. This seminar was a blessing for these brothers who are dedicated preachers of the word.

## SANTARIEA SCHOOL OF PREACHING SEMINAR:



The Santariewa School of Preaching (PTS) operates on a different schedule than the other three Level One Schools. The Santariewa area is a major producer of coffee, so the second session of the PTS each year is during the rains (July-September). The gathering of preachers on the left came from many different areas, some more than a day's ride by bus. Left: The attendees. Center: A class being taught by Joe Boe with Moges interpreting. Right: A class outside under the shade being taught by Carrell. The grass is green in all the pictures showing that the rains that usually end in early October hasn't ended yet. All those who attended the seminars will take the information back to their home areas and teach it to others. This is such a vital ministry. Another one is in the works for early summer 2019.



**Bro. Alemu Atiya** came to the seminar in Santariewa. Alemu is 80 years old and has been a preacher all his life. He was a preacher and supervisor for 50 congregations of the "Jesus Only" Apostolic group when the Marxist government took control of Ethiopia in 1974. During that time his church and other Pentecostal groups were forced to close by the government. Brother Tenabo Chenklu came in contact with Alemu and taught him the truth of the

gospel. Brother Behailu baptized him. Alemu warned that the Charismatic people would infiltrate other churches and said we needed to prepare. For the next 10 years we were constantly in biblical discussions with many hundreds of people who came. If Alemu hadn't warned us, it would have caused major problems in all our churches. He has been a very faithful brother and church planter for the last 45 years. Left: Alemu is standing giving an encouraging message to the young preachers in attendance.

## TEAM VISITS AND TEACHES AT AREA CHURCHES:



Left: The Abado Sudanese church in Addis. Right: Visiting the Hosana congregation. Lower left: Visiting the Chuko congregation in Sidamo. Others were visited also. This kind of trip edifies hundreds of our members



and is tremendously beneficial for the work.

We extend our deep appreciation to all of you for your faithfulness in making the Lord's work in Ethiopia possible with God's blessing. May He continue to bless each and every one of you!

Kevin and John Ed Clark