



# ETHIOPIA GOSPEL OUTREACH

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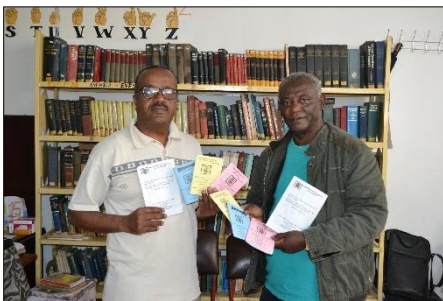
## CHURCH GROWTH CONTINUES IN EASTERN ETHIOPIA:



In the last three newsletters we have reported the outreach of Belay Kebede's ministry in the city of Dire Dawa. On the left, Belay stands with Michael Yohanis, left, and Mohammed Abdela, right. Michael is the brother-in-law of Mohammed. Both Belay and Mohammed were involved in studying with Michael. In the picture on the right, Belay prays with Michael just before he is baptized into Christ. Michael was introduced to God's

word through the World Bible School (WBS) lessons. Previously Michael had been a deacon in a major denomination and through his study of the gospel came to understand his obedience had not been complete. Now he is added to the body of Christ and will join with the other brothers reaching out to the lost around him. Pray for Brother Belay and for the church in this very difficult anti-Christian area.

## THERE IS A DESPERATE NEED FOR PRINTED MATERIALS.



Alemayehu and Moges are pictured holding some of the materials that have been printed in the Oromo language. When WBS students that live in distant areas are converted they need materials that will help them establish congregations, follow the pattern of N. T. worship, develop church leaders, organize the Lord's church and many other things that we are commanded to obey. Bro. Belay Kebede has translated three books written by the late Brother

J.C. Choate into the Oromo language and they are being commercially printed at this time. They will be great tools in helping new Christians as they begin their ministry in the Lord's church.

## THE NEED FOR BIBLES CONTINUES AS CONGREGATIONS GROW AND NEW CHURCHES ARE PLANTED.



Half of these newly purchased bibles are in the Amharic language and the other half in the Oromo language. They will be very helpful in Bro. Belay's ministry among the Oromo people in the Eastern regions of Ethiopia. Very few people living in rural Ethiopia are financially able to purchase their own bible. Providing a new bible will be an unbelievable blessing as they use them to continue their new journey as disciples of Jesus.

## **DEAF SCHOOL YEAR ENDS IN JULY:**



This year has been an eventful year for the Mekanissa School for the Deaf. It will be remembered as the year the school moved into their new building. The students on the left pose and give the sign for “I love you” as they enjoy the moment. The two pictures on the right show the students in their large new classrooms sitting at their new desks. It has been a good year!!



Pictured on the left are the students as they ate their lunches out in the yard last year. On the right, the students now have a bright new clean cafeteria to eat in. In the future it is planned to have a full-service cafeteria where the students can purchase their lunch if they desire to do so.



The computer training room in the new building is much more spacious than the remodeled 40-foot shipping container it used to occupy! There is a classroom for learning and a computer lab to practice the skills they have studied.



The play yard and soccer field are still being constructed and should be ready to use when the new school term starts in October. Another play area in front of the school as well as

the landscaping will soon be completed. 2023 has been a wonderful year for the Schools for the Deaf.

All the ministries in the Lord’s work in Ethiopia are progressing. We express our sincere appreciation to all of you who share with our Ethiopian brethren through your prayers and faithful support. Even with all the unrest in the southern areas where most of our brethren live, preachers are still reaching out to new and distant areas and planting new congregations. Our prayer for you is that our God will continue to bless you in every way as we all together prepare for eternity and work to take as many with us as we possibly can. Kevin and John Ed Clark