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“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...” Matthew 28: 19

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GREAT JOY AND PRAISE TO GOD IN KENYA

Julian Orimbo had asked us to pray that the maize (corn) crop in Oduwo would dry out to allow for harvesting. It did, and with the help of church friends, they brought in the largest maize crop ever. In addition, funds sent by EWI enabled Julian to purchase additional food products that should last through September.



After heavy rains donkeys were needed to transport food supplies over washed out roads to the campus.

Risper, the cook, looks over the supplies with obvious satisfaction.

Julian reported that Saturday July 14 was a day of joy and praising God and praying for the new boarding house on the campus of Bright Angels Christian Academy. This was the day the school girls aged 12 and up moved in. They will no longer need to walk through dangerous areas where several girl students had been attacked. The house will still need cooking utensils and a variety of other supplies as well as a generator. Pray for the fundraiser they are planning to hold in October.

Julian was invited to speak at a Bible conference in Uganda in July. She led two sessions. One session was attended by 68 ladies and another by a mixed group of over 100.

This delegation from Congo walked ten hours to reach the site of the conference. They reported that they have been sharing one vernacular Bible among three or four congregations! Your gifts have enabled us to forward Julian funds to purchase a box of 24 Bibles to be distributed among these congregations.



PARTNERSHIP AT WORK – IN INDIA

Bethel Mission in South Central India

We recently learned that several of the computers at the mission training center were no longer usable and needed replacing in order to accommodate the number of students desiring computer training. All students, regardless of background or religion, are admitted and, as part of the program, are exposed to the gospel message. With your help we enabled the center to purchase four new computers. Pastor Frank wrote the following note:



“At the outset, I want to place it in record our heartfelt gratitude to you, to the saints at the East West Interknit and especially to the donors who have participated in helping us to purchase 4 computers for our computer center here at Robertsonpet, India. The order ... has arrived and we are delighted that these computers could be put to good use in promoting computer education to the very poor and the needy in the society. From now on, the students who come to learn at our Free Computer Training Center would have the benefit of learning from the new version of computers....”

Jehovah Shammah Children’s Home in Narsapur (JSCH)

At the start of the new school year in June each child received a new school uniform and all necessary school supplies. Thank you for making this possible.

The boys are currently being accommodated on the front verandah. They have indicated a need for a room addition to house these and additional boys. They’ve asked us to pray about it.



The children participate in morning and evening devotions.



EWI provides some funding to assist evangelists in India with travel expenses, literature for distribution and for special tools to assist in their ministry. The evangelists have each planted a number of churches and participate in regular outreach events.



A pastor and his congregants, pictured here (lower left) engage in street preaching. Another pastor is pictured above conducting a baptism in the sea.

PARTNERSHIP AT WORK – IN GHANA

Good News Theological Seminary (GNTS) in Accra

Rev. Dr. Oduro, President of the seminary, reported that the newly formed eleven member Governing Council, which replaced the seminary board, was inducted on August 1, 2018. Rev. Daniel C. Okoh, General overseer of Christ Holy Church International, Vice President of the Christian Association of Nigeria, and President of the Organization of African Instituted Churches, is the newly appointed chairperson of the Governing Council. Four council members are alumni of the seminary. Their first meeting was September 11th. Pray for this council as they deal with the many challenges faced by the seminary.

GNTS has been actively praying and seeking prospective students for the fall term. Most need financial aid in order to attend. It is a challenge to provide the scholarships needed to encourage worthy students to commit to the seminary. We want to help meet this need. Depending on the course pursued, a scholarship for one academic year ranges from US \$240 to US \$420.

Please continue to pray for the wife of Rev. Frank Botchway, GNTS library assistant and chair of a faculty committee. Theresa is suffering from cancer, as mentioned in our February newsletter. At that time, her treatment was on hold due to other health issues. She has currently been receiving chemotherapy but has had some serious setbacks as a result.

PARTNERSHIP AT WORK – IN HAITI

Mission Evangelique du Nord d’Haiti (MENH)

Pastor Jean Berthony Paul (Thony), founder and President of MENH, has decided to step down from the leadership of MENH after an amazing 48 years of ministry during which the mission sponsored at least 21 churches, 18 schools and 4 high schools, a medical clinic, a vocational training program, agricultural projects, radio broadcasts, pastors’ conferences, and major evangelistic events. Thony will continue to be available to preach and will continue the radio broadcasts. After much prayer, Pastor Ebed Paul, Thony’s son, was appointed as President and Rev. Mathurin LaGuerre as Vice-President.

Ebed and Mathurin spent many days in Haiti recently evaluating every aspect of the ministry. A new board is being created and new appointments made of highly qualified pastors and leaders. Every effort will be made to restructure where needed for greater efficiency. Most importantly, they will focus on MENH’s main mission: reaching Haitians for Christ. They have launched a special prayer emphasis with meetings to be held at least 3 or 4 times a week. There will be much more to tell as time goes on.

In the meantime, the need remains great. The clinic is generally self-supporting and continues to serve many who could not otherwise easily get medical help and who might not otherwise hear the gospel. They have a special need for a new generator to keep the refrigerator functioning to ensure the safety of some medicines. The greater need is for supplemental funding to help the mission pay the school teachers. Due to a slowdown in giving they have not been able to provide for the teachers for several months. We long to participate with them in ensuring that the teachers can feed their families and that the new school term can begin as scheduled. This would be a great time for a special gift as the Lord leads to encourage those who serve sacrificially at Mission Evangelique du Nord d’Haiti.

THEY ASKED AND YOU RESPONDED THANK YOU!

Your financial support allowed EWI to send funds to JSCH for the purchase of several CCTV security cameras to guard against intrusions and theft at the home.



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PARTNERSHIP AT WORK – THROUGH PRAYER

- * Please pray for those who attended the annual pastor's conference held at one of our partner Bible school campuses in Chennai, South India. They expected as many as 1,000 pastors from across India to attend. This is an important time of affirming and encouraging these church planters as they minister throughout India especially as they face increasing hostility. As of this writing they have planted 10,644 churches representing over 700,000 people. They were challenged to work toward doubling the number of churches by 2025.
- * Another of our Bible school partners in north India reported on the conditions they face as they serve throughout the region. They've had heavy rains, flooding, landslides, and other dangers as they traveled through the mountains. They are also dealing with marauding wild elephants as well as leopards in the villages almost every night. They are seeking help to repair walls around the campus that elephants have destroyed. Pray also for the health concerns of the Bible school and mission leaders, Dr. Johnson George and Rev. P. M. Thomas.
- * Nearly five hundred people have died in the worst floods to hit Kerala state in south India in more than a century. Others are dying from rare water-borne diseases. Over one million people were displaced and more than 59,000 people are still in relief camps. The population of Kerala is approximately 18% Christian though some claim it is much higher. They are concentrated in the areas hardest hit by the floods. We are still waiting to hear from several of our partner Bible schools that are in the area of the flood. Faculty, staff and students of Olive Theological Institute have served over 4,000 meals to those in relief camps and provided basic necessities such as clothing and bedding. They have also assembled home cleaning kits and are training their people to participate in the cleanup. Part of that training includes how to handle reptiles that have crept into the flooded homes. Please pray for those who are suffering and for the churches and other organizations that are extending a helping hand.
- * Please continue to pray for the two Bible schools in Myanmar that need larger facilities but have been denied by those who are unwilling to rent to Christians.

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