

2022 YEAR IN REVIEW MINISTRY UPDATE

Happy New Year Friends & Ministry Partners!

This month was a busy season of training Sunday school teachers, preparing for our celebration of Jesus' birthday, and welcoming in 2023! During the weekly meetings, a new volunteer teacher was added, and we are looking forward to his service as we begin the new curriculum Shaun has been preparing which begins on January 8. On Christmas Day, the church hosted 111 adults and children, many of which were guests from the community. The hope offered by Jesus was shared, and each person enjoyed a meal of rice and chicken at the end of service. Coming together again for New Year's Eve, New Beginnings Baptist Church–Babadorie welcomed more than 120 to a showing of the Jesus Film. With the crowd and dim lighting that night, exact numbers were difficult to obtain, but we estimate more than 90 professions of faith in Christ. As 2022 closes, we give praise to Him, Who made this year a blessed one.

While numbers only reveal a narrow portion of the last twelve months' story, rejoice with us in the wonderful things God has allowed us to witness through the church and community outreach:

- 295 copies of the John and Romans or complete Bibles given
- 2,332 pieces of Gospel literature distributed
- 3 showings of the Jesus Film resulting in 195 professions of faith
- 65 women and girls introduced to Jesus through weekly gatherings at a local women center
- 12 professions of faith following a church service
- 8 various leadership meetings
- 20 believer's baptized into New Beginnings Baptist Church-Babadorie
- 17 first-time commitments to tithing
- 7 graduates of the discipleship course
- Introduction, institution, and weekly collection of a mission's offering
- Introduction, institution, and observance of the Lord's Supper

As we move forward into 2023, we anticipate God doing BIG things in Sierra Leone. This year's theme for the church is "Committed." Please join us in praying for the following:

- January's stewardship emphasis and first-ever mission's weekend
- Scheduling of new Jesus Film evangelistic outreaches
- Election year in Sierra Leone to remain peaceful
- Although we have learned some of the local dialect in our time here, we have finally found a Krio language teacher/tutor and will begin classes this month!

Thank you for your faithfulness in prayer & financial support!



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