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# Lovegrove

FAMILY TO ETHIOPIA

ETHIOPIA SHALL SOON STRETCH OUT HER HANDS UNTO GOD. PSALM 68:31

## JESUS SAID "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH"

"...I will **build** my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it (Matt. 16:18)." - Jesus

We are so thankful that Jesus is continuing to **build** His church here in Ethiopia!

After much hard work, we have completed most all of the physical **building** construction! We are now able to use the office area to work throughout the week!

We still have a number of projects around the church to complete that we will do as the Lord provides the time and finances. This includes office furniture and chairs, tables, shelves for storage and offices, screens and other audio/video equipment for main auditorium, and a game room for our youth to use. Estimated remaining cost for these items would be around \$15k. If God leads you to give, simply write "**Lovegrove projects**" in the memo line of your gift, and we will use that money for these remaining projects at our church **building!**

God continues to **build** people's lives through His Word and His Spirit at our church! We enjoyed special Mothers and Fathers Day Service with a special gift and Bible message for the moms and dads! It was very exciting to appoint our first 2 deacons at our church (see picture)! These 2 men and their families have been faithful to grow and use their gifts for the Lord!



We praise God for a church that is being **built** spiritually through the teaching and preaching of God's Word in our nursery, kid's class, Adult Bible class,

main services, youth activities, midweek service, and mens and ladies Bible studies! We praise God for more who have been saved and completed discipleship! Pray for those getting baptized soon, joining, and starting discipleship. Pray for a busy summer of ministry, especially with our VBS coming up!

We are thankful for you and your faithful prayers and support!

*Because of Jesus,*

- Joshua, Ruth, Jeremiah, Joel and Jonan

## Gospel Power

I recently met with a husband and wife who had been attending our church for a few months. The husband, Kebede, was sure he was saved. The wife, Terunesh, thought she was saved because her mom "became a Christian" when she was 1 and she did her best to keep the Ten Commandments. It was wonderful to explain Romans 10:9-10 and to see her clearly understand the Gospel for the first time and trust in Jesus alone to save her from her sins and give her eternal life!

Please pray for many Ethiopians who think they are or are hoping they are saved because of their religion, but do not understand "the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ."