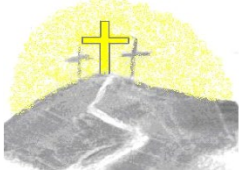


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Luke 24:32 (ESV)

They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

On the Road to Awasa



Greetings from Awasa, <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hawassa>

Awasa is a city with a population of approximately 259,000 located on the shores of Lake in the Sedama Region of the Great Rift Valley. On Wednesday 09/13 Pastor Samson and I traveled here by car . The trip from Adama to Awasa is about 225 km and takes about three and a half hours by car. We stopped along the way in the town of Shashamene to encourage and pray with seven key leaders of the EUCE Church in that town who will be participating the training in Awasa on Thursday and Friday. This is a strategic location to gather leaders from the city and from remote villages where they are ministering to those of mostly Muslim and tribal/animistic background. Some of these missionaries are serving in under-ground churches.

Awasa Training Report:

The Awasa training was conducted at the Emmanuel United Theological College facility on Thursday 09/14 and Friday 09/15. This was a round four training. The 40 plus participants were a combination of church pastors, planters, evangelists and key leaders as well some denominational and regional leaders. This 4th round study is entitled: The Church that Jesus is Building-Understanding Our Identity and Purpose. The reason for this study is that even the Jesus is the founder a sustainer of His Church, since its conception it always has a tendency to lose sight of its true identity and purpose. The introduction of this study briefly examines the letters of warning, reproof and correction that Jesus wrote to the Seven Churches in Revelation chapters two and three. From there it exegetes key New Testament passages that emphasis seven identifying characteristics of the Church that Jesus is Building. To conclude the two-day session, we broke into five groups of eight each as an in-class group assignment to search out and site New Testament passages that dictate and/or describe such matters as: church identity, authority dependency and purpose. As always, the two-day event proved to be a divine appointment with the Holy-Spirit. Before departing, nearly all personally testified of major paradigm shifts beginning to take place in their hearts concerning their approach to their particular ministries as a result of our time together in God's word. God was glorified and each of us was greatly blessed. We all are looking forward to round five in October as the Lord wills and provides.

Moving Forward:

Today, Saturday 09/16 I will take a flight back to Addis where I will stay over night and fly out on Sunday to Arbaminch which is located in the Gamo Zone of the Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples Region about 500 kilometers south of Addis Ababa to conduct the next training there on Monday 9/18 and Tuesday 9/19.

Please join us as we Praise God for:

- Continuing to Bless me with continued good health.
- The overwhelming success of our trainings so far and the lives and ministries that are being encouraged and transformed.
- Supplying good and safe travel, food and housing for all involved.
- His miraculous discipleship movement that continues to increase to the outskirts of Ethiopia and beyond.
- Exponential leadership reproduction through:
 - Proclaiming the Kingdom Gospel in accordance with the Scriptures,
 - Displaying the Kingdom Life by living in obedience to Jesus.
 - And by practicing The Masters Plan for disciple and servant leader multiplication.
- Providing such a faithful support team that all of you continue to be.

Please join us as we Pray that God:

- Will continue to bless me with good health, throughout my travels.
- Will open the hearts and minds of each student
- Protect and provide for each participant, their families and ministries.
- Will continue to bless and provide as He directs us, TMMI, to go and grow!
- Would **continue to provide** for us, many more like-minded prayer and financial partners as He continues to open more and more doors of opportunity in and beyond Ethiopia.

May God bless you all for your faithful prayers, partnership, support and encouragement in ministry.

Sincerely Yours,

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