August 28, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Our Lord,

Thank you for the love you have shown to your brothers and sisters in Ethiopia as demonstrated by your ongoing prayers and financial support in respect to the upcoming trip my ministry partner and I are planning.

Some changes have occurred since my last letter; they are as follows. Due to unforeseen circumstances, my original missionary partner, friend and colleague Dave Jones will not be accompanying me on this particular training session and trip. However, it is a blessing for me as well as those, to whom we will minister, that Dr. Ves Sheely will be joining me for this trip. Ves is a veteran church planting trainer with years of international experience including Addis Ababa Ethiopia where this trip is taking us. In effort to maximize our resources, the date for mission has been changed. Ves and I are scheduled to depart from Hartford, Ct. Friday October 29th. Ves will return to the U.S. on Saturday November 6th and I am scheduled to return Tuesday November 9<sup>th</sup>. Please also note below the change in my mailing address.

Upon arriving in Addis Ababa, we will visit with various leaders and several churches. Each of us will be preaching at different churches. Monday thru Friday Ves and I will work as a team conducting training session's; days to one group and evenings to another. We are excited to be able to maximize our time and efforts this way. Ves will depart Ethiopia on Friday evening while I will remain to teach and preach at various churches and to learn as much as I can about their culture and this phenomenal church planting movement.

Please pray for us and for all those whom the Lord would have us minister to. We need your prayers now, as we prepare, during our travels to, in and back from Ethiopia, as well as while we are there (Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> thru November 8<sup>th</sup> 2010) and after we return.

If you are led of the Lord to pray, please let me know that you are doing so, as it always is a great encouragement to know who is praying for you. Please pray also about if and how the Lord may lead you to help financially support this effort. My estimated expenses are approximately \$2500. If you desire to give, checks can be sent and made payable to Crossway Christian Church, PO Box 363, Saco Maine, 04972; Attention Church Treasurer. Please note on the memo line: Ethiopia and Paul "Chico" Parker.

I thank God and pray His constant blessing upon you all for your faithful and continued partnership, support and encouragement in ministry.

Sincerely Yours,

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