

Nov. 24, 2017

“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now” (Philippians 1:3–5 ESV) “...and of the love that you have for all the saints” (Col. 1:3—4 ESV).

Dear brothers, sisters, partners and friends,

Thank you for the love and support that you have shown to me and both the believers and unbelievers on the continent of Africa by your past prayers and financial support. I remain grateful to you for how you have allowed God to work through and in our partnership for the advancement of His Kingdom here and abroad. Our God, through our partnership with each other, Lifeway Mission International (Nairobi Kenya- <http://www.lifewaymi.org>) and Emmanuel United Church (Ethiopia- <http://www.ethiopiaemmanuel.org>) is reaching, saving and making disciples of unprecedented numbers of Muslims, Secularists, and various followers of false and deceptive religious movements. I encourage you to visit our partner's web sites and read *Contagious Disciple Making by David and Paul Watson*; *Spent Matches by Roy Moran* and/or *Miraculous Movements by Jerry Trousdale* to better understand the work we are privileged to be engaged in.

I invite you to join me in praising our Lord for another God glorifying and Kingdom building 2 weeks of successful ministry in His name, for His glory and the blessing of more people than we really know of at this time on the continent of Africa and beyond. With our primary emphasis on developing, equipping and releasing Kingdom ministry leaders, from local disciple makers, pastors and church planters to the overseers of disciple making movements in multiple countries, our efforts are multiplied beyond our ability to keep track of.

In the days to come I and some ministry partners will be working on a slideshow and commentary which we will post online. I will send you a link when it is up and running. For now I will share some highlights:

#### **11/04 through 11/11—Nairobi Kenya**

##### **11/04:**

- Checked in at Fahari Hotel and immediately resumed ministry with remnant of The Church at Fahari that the Lord established during my 2015 mission.

##### **11/05:**

- Provided Scriptures and direction for Discovery Bible Study at Grace Church on the campus of Lifeway Missions International Training Facilities and Headquarters. (Approximately 60 disciples participated).
- Brought a message to Grace Church from John 14:6 “Following the Way”
- Ministered at Fahari Hotel

##### **11/06—08:**

- Forty plus church leaders, pastors, church planters, disciple making movement leaders, missionary organization leaders and missionaries from Kenya and beyond participated in a three day intensive dialogical, Scripture centered fellowship and training session in regards to “Living The New Life in Christ” and contrasting it with “Cultural/Pseudo-Christianity.”
- Met, prayed and strategized with new leaders and ministry partners, multiplied Kingdom Ministry networks
- Continued ministry with the Church at Fahari Hotel
- Established and introduced pastoral support team for the Church at Fahari Hotel

##### **11/09**

- Met, prayed and strategized with pastoral support team for the Church at Fahari Hotel

- Visited Brook-spring Educational Center (founded by one of my students in 2015) now serving over 120 children pre-K to 6<sup>th</sup> grade and growing. (Dennis spent his week here laboring in building project).
- Coordinated with Hotel management 1<sup>st</sup> official worship celebration to be held in hotel conference room on following day from 10:00 to 11:00AM.
- Continued ongoing mentoring Matthew (man of peace at Fahari)

#### **11/10**

- Church at Fahari Leadership meeting
- Church at Fahari Worship Celebration
- Met with student and Founder of “Jesus for all nations” International Mission Agency
  - Discussed possible training partnership with Disciple Making Movement in Tanzania (2018).
- Attended and brought Servant Leadership message (John 13:1—20) to D.M.M. conference made up of leaders from multiple African countries.
  - Made many connections and received several invitations to bring training to leaders in many countries.

#### **11/11**

- Prayer, study, shopping and travel to Addis-Ababa Ethiopia.

#### **11/12 through 11/17 Ethiopia**

#### **11/12**

- Morning—Sabbath rest in Addis
- Afternoon—Travel to Adama (formerly Nazareth)
- Evening—Prayer, study and training preparation

#### **11/13—15**

- Early mornings—Leadership team prayer, networking and strategizing
- Days—Twenty plus church leaders, pastors, church planters, disciple making movement leaders and missionaries from the outermost parts of Ethiopia participated in a three day intensive dialogical, Scripture centered fellowship and training session in regards to “The Master’s Plan for Disciple and Leadership Development” and contrasting it with “Cultural/Institutional/Pseudo-Christianity.”
- Evenings—Discipleship, mentoring, Bible study and prayer with Dennis as well as personal study and training preparation
  - Develop relationships, pray with and for hotel staff

#### **11/16**

- Minister with Dennis and Samson at Church operated school for children (many who are orphans) in the Town of Modjo
  - Dennis supplied materials for and worked with small team, including Sami and me, to repair broken desks
  - We all spent time with students and staff

#### **11/17**

- Pray, debrief and strategize with Samson (Vice President of Emmanuel United Church of Ethiopia)
- Travel to Addis-Ababa to catch flight to U.S.A.

This is just a small sample of what the Holy Spirit was doing during our two weeks of ministry in East Africa. I wish there was a better way to share the experience of witnessing His movement among His people. But, know this, your partnership is clearly with the Holy Spirit of God and in His powerful life transforming, eternal work! Thank you for your cooperation with him and your support of us.

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 me. If you desire to give your financial support, checks may be sent and made payable to Crossway Christian Church, PO Box 363, Saco, Maine 04072: Attention Church Treasurer. Please note on the memo line: Africa 2017 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.

“May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”  
Romans 15:5–6 (ESV)

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