



Mission Update and Prayer Guide

NOTHING IS TOO HARD FOR THE LORD.....Jeremiah 32:17
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NEW BIBLES IN TRIBAL LANGUAGES FOR KENYA AND MALAWI!

God is Faithful!

Prayer is where the action is.

I have so much to do that I spend several hours in prayer before I am able to do it.

I desired as many as could to join together in fasting and prayer, that God would restore the spirit of love and of a sound mind to the poor deluded rebels in America.

The neglect of prayer is a grand hindrance to holiness.

I look on all the world as my parish; thus far I mean, that, in whatever part of it I am, I judge it meet, right, and my bounden duty, to declare unto all that are willing to hear, the glad tidings of salvation.

I am never in a hurry, because I never undertake more work than I can go through with perfect calmness of spirit.

Though I am always in haste, I am never in a hurry.

John Wesley



We give glory to God as we express our gratitude for all of you who helped us purchase more **Chichewa Bibles** to distribute. This is a great gift as we are preparing for 2018 evangelism outreach to remote areas which we are going to start with the repaired Nissan you also helped us with. Now we will have two vehicles which will enable the Land Rover to have a longer life. May God bless you so much for this vision and great help. Thank you!!
Enock Dimba - Malawi



People in Kenya taking time to praise God for the provision of Bibles in the Luo language. Thank you Southside Union Chapel for your timely gift.



"Its very true that a Christian/believer cannot grow strong in the Word of God without reading a Bible." **Pastor Sylvester, Kenya**

By the awesome grace of God, we the people of the Community Church Ministries are outstandingly grateful to God Almighty for allowing us to come to the end of the year 2017 and for all He has allowed us to accomplish through His grace and mercy. Words cannot express how grateful we are also for your increased level of partnership support to our ministry and families over the years. Thanks a million!

Here are few more highlights of the month of December 2017. To God be all the glory for great things He has done and greater things he will continue to do!



Leadership Development:

As you may be aware, we attach very serious consideration to developing more leaders who will be capable of running with the vision of the ministry when we are no longer able to do so in the nearest future. We do not only develop “our” leaders, but leaders of the Body of Christ as can be seen during a two day training we ran for churches located in the Rock Hill Community held at Life Changing and Prophetic Outreach Ministries. We planned for 20 participants, but 32 participants turned out due to the nature of such training that helps mobilize the churches capacity for effective outreach.

Jesus Film: Through the grace of God, we showed an additional movie at the Forestland Community Church commemorating the 3rd anniversary of the Teens Church. We had a total of 4 Jesus film events in December. In totality over 600 persons heard the gospel through the Jesus film and 242 persons received the gospel. We praise God for your help in providing projection and sound equipment.

3rd Anniversary of Forestland Community Teen Church:

The Teen Church is a unique church which we envisioned three years ago after we began to aggressively implement the kids outreach and discipleship program among churches of our ministry. That intentional outreach geared towards kids between the ages of 4 to 14 years has yielded much spiritual and numerical growth. This teen church has produced lay preachers, moderators, choristers, praise and worship teams leaders, ushers, drummers, etc. Glory to God for giving us such vision and passion to reach out to the next generation of the Body of Christ.



Bong Mines Community Church:

The Bong Mines Community Church is also working hard on a major kids’ outreach and discipleship program. We suspended the programs during the rainy season due to lack of very large facilities to host the 100’s of kids who usually turn out. When we recommenced with the outreach we saw the programs yielding good results. We are grateful for the AWANA model outreach we are using here.

Believers Community Church:

In early April of last year we began this new church plant. If you can recall, I sent a story of a man who walked into the new church after he got convicted while working in the brush outside the church. John Tokpah has become very instrumental to the service of this church. A few weeks ago he came to work with the other members while they were dubbing the walls. During my last week visit at that church he was seen joyfully dancing in the service for God's mercy upon him. This is what the Lord is doing through your prayers and support. Praise the Lord for calling men to repentance.





Toe Town Community Teen Church:

A year ago a very young man under 18 years old went with his parents some 215 miles away from Monrovia to resettle. He was part of the Teen Church at Forestland which was then a year old. Enoch went that far and was inspired by the Lord to begin Bible studies with teenagers in that area. He began with six persons and today 22 of them are meeting regularly on Sundays. He travelled that far again to come to visit the Teens Church when they celebrated their 3rd Anniversary. Here is Enoch testifying to the grace of God as he works with the second teen church within this ministry. Right now God is doing a work among our young people who are searching for purpose. This is the first generation to live and dream since our civil war. We are grateful for God's grace.

Hilltop Community Church

Regular activities are still ongoing at the Hilltop Community Church. Evangelist Bloe is still passionate about the Lord's work for the people of that community and he still continue to reach out to them with regular church actives despite their temporary place of meeting. Please keep him in your fervent prayers

Kangar Town Community Church:

If you can recall, we just held a groundbreaking ceremony at the above mentioned town for the construction of a worship center in this village. Reports reaching us state that all the wood needed for the roofing was sawn and the roofing is to commence soon.

Brooklyn Community Church:

The local Church in the Central Region of Liberia in Bong County has been experiencing lots of challenges stemming from the misconception of the entire vision of the Ministry by the lead person heading that vision. From our recent fact finding visit in November things were made clear and they have now understood why we do what we do as a ministry, how we do what we do and when we do what we do. Their December reports leads our leadership team believe that they need more trainings and support to catch up with other newest churches which are progressing. Please pray!



Prayer points:

Please pray for our leadership passion, wisdom and vision for Ministry sustainability.

Pray for the Forestland and Palmview School facilities expansion.

Pray for our integral mission focus in 2018. We want the life of the church and the mission of the church to be on par.

Pray for fruit as my wife Karen moves forward from her graduation from the University.

Pray for my kids as they are registered into new school requiring new uniforms, and tuitions since we have now moved into a new community and their former school is too far to attend daily.

Pray for electricity for our new home as power lines have not reached this part of the country yet. The darkness at night here makes our home vulnerable to would be rogues and armed robbers. Our home is 300-400ft from every house near us. The nearest police station is 10miles away. Thank you for your part in helping build this home. We believe in the next decade this will be very populated. We will have a great ministry of evangelism and discipleship.

Keep praying for Thelma's health.

Pray for our new President to be given wisdom to lead us.

Pray for our church planters sustainability.

Pray for new church plants we have yet to roof.

From Terry Poortenga, founder of KMH Ministries - Olean, NY

2017 was a year to hear from God and pray about where KMH Ministries is to go in 2018. Our “new” direction is a “refresh” of the original vision God gave KMH. **“KNOW MY HEART”**

Objectives for 2018:

1) Support Local Churches

- a. Summer Carnivals and Local Church Event Support
- b. Build a Ministry Web Page
- c. Instrumental aids for worship services, develop young people with music education
- d. Support our local Youth at Southside Union Chapel
- e. Continue to organize and lead local fundraisers for Missions
- f. Build relationships with local church youth to mentor Missions within the community



2) I have started to meet with a men's Bible Study group on Tuesdays that represents 7-8 church fellowships in our area. I *look forward to* working within these relationships building upon purpose and missions within our community.

3) 2018 will be my 6th year of leading worship at Southside Union Chapel. I will continue to coach young people and encourage them to be involved in worship and ministry.

4) *This year* KMH will *seek to* support the critically sick and disabled. The need to focus on my own healing has brought new vision for 2018. Last year through a parishioner named Joyce I was able to meet Harry, her son-in-law who was suffering with great pain from surgeries after his service in the military. What developed out of that ministering was a mutual respect and a need “to be Jesus” to someone who did not know Jesus. We are now ministering to Justin, a man who needs to see the love of God by having physical needs met. Justin was afflicted with rare a kidney disease at a young age. This illness caused Justin to lose the use of both kidneys decades ago. He needs to be put on daily dialysis to maintain his body’s functions. He is currently only receiving dialysis three times a week. In this stage of his life and the disease it is becoming more difficult for him to complete simple tasks. He is in



need of aid to get to his dialysis. Justin is 47 and facing eternity very soon. I have made myself available to get prescriptions, to encourage him and pray with and for him. We are asking God to bring him support from other believers who also have physical disabilities. Pray with us that these believers can be raised up to encourage others and receive encouragement themselves as shared experiences create lasting relationships.

5) There will be changes to the Wednesday evening Youth Meetings. Although we will not be following a structured Wednesday evening schedule, we will still be regularly meeting with our local teens. Melissa Sylvis will be continuing to assist KMH Ministries. She will also be participating once a month in a women’s prison ministry on Wednesdays. We are grateful for her constant diligence in pursuing places where she can be used by the Lord. Please continue to pray with us. Pray for God's anointing and power. Thank you for standing with us. We love God’s family!



Heritage AFlame is pleased to prayerfully and financially support The Gideons in their effort to provide a copy of God's Word to people in our area and around the world. Locally we have stood with the Olean Camp of Gideons International for the past several years. We have also directly supported the work of the Gideons in Tamil Nadu, India. Please continue to pray for this organization that gives local churches a unique opportunity to put the Word of God in the hands of young and old alike. *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..."* **Matthew 28:19** Please take an opportunity to read through this Gideons summary. On February 18 a special offering will be taken for the Gideons at Southside Union Chapel in Olean. Please pray with us. Pray for local members Howard Cornwall and Bud Wittenburg.

The Gideons International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about Jesus through associating together for service, sharing personal testimony, and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. While we are often recognized for our work with hotels, we also place and distribute Scriptures in strategic locations so they are available to those who want them, as well as to those who may not know they need them



A Unique Focus - Distributing God's Word Around the World

We print in over 95 languages and take copies of God's Word to the world by either personally handing them to individuals or by placing them in select public locations. We believe distributing copies of God's Word plants powerful seeds God can use according to His own timing (I Corinthians 3:6), allows many to read the truth for themselves (John 8:32), provides a lasting witness (Hebrews 4:12), and makes it easier for those we reach to boldly spread the Good News (II Timothy 2:2).

Areas of Distribution

Members of The Gideons International personally witness and distribute God's Word to police, fire, and medical personnel; prisoners; military personnel; students in the fifth grade and above; and to those with whom they interact on a daily basis. Scriptures are also placed by Gideons and Auxiliary in key locations, including hotels, motels, hospitals, convalescent homes, medical offices, domestic violence shelters, prisons, and jails.

A Worldwide Impact - Changing Lives for More than 100 Years

The Gideons International began distributing the Word of God in 1908. Today, there are more than 270,000 Gideons and Auxiliary – and an untold number of supporters – in 200 countries, territories, and possessions across the globe. These dedicated individuals have given their time and money to make it possible for others to learn about the love of God by giving them access to His Word. We have placed and distributed more than 2 billion Bibles and New Testaments around the world.

Church Support

The idea of churches contributing to the support of the Gideon Scripture program originated with a pastor. Just two months after the 1908 Louisville Convention, a state convention was held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. National Secretary Frank Garlick and Mr. A.B.T. Moore attended a meeting of the Ministerial Union. After their program, they asked if Garlick could inform these ministers from around the world about the work of the Gideon Association. Garlick delivered a short yet inspired speech advocating for the need of Bible distribution. At the close of his brief address, Mr. Moore's own pastor, Dr. E.R. Burkhalter, arose and moved, "...that Gideon Bibles be placed in all local hotels and that the Ministerial Union be responsible for the funds." The motion was unanimously carried and a committee appointed to allocate the cost to the churches, according to their strength.

A Worldwide Effort

It has been over 100 years since The Gideons International placed the first Bible in a hotel room in Montana. Through the grace of God and through the loving support of the local church and countless donors, more than 2 billion Bibles and New Testaments have been placed through our Association. The distribution of our first billion Scriptures by Gideon members spanned 93 years (1908 to 2001). Distribution of our second billion, however, was completed in just 13 years (2002-2015). On average, more than two copies of God's Word are distributed per second and over one million Bibles and New Testaments are distributed every four days. ***Dr. Sam George from Tenkasi, Tamil Nadu, India has been able to distribute thousands of Bible to middle and high school students over the past 25 years. Many recipients have chosen to follow Christ!**



Dear Heritage AFlame family, Thank you so much for prayerfully and financially supporting us. It's very generous and kind of you. By His grace, we are all doing well here. December proved again to be a very busy month. Since neighbors exchange sweets/food on religious holidays here, our God and Father enabled us this past Christmas to share some sweets with our neighbors....and a New Testament book for anyone who was willing to receive one. We explained that we were not trying to change anyone's mind about their religion. We just wanted to give a gift that we believe is a **very important gift** – the **Word of the Father**. Please pray that our neighbors who accepted the book will read it and that the Holy Spirit would work in their lives. Emmanuel Bible Institute is getting close to finishing this academic year in a few more weeks. Please pray for the upcoming Graduation & Missions Conference February 23-25. It is our desire that all in attendance will be blessed and encouraged. *We hope Dave and Daisy can join us and participate in both.* Thank

you for your continuous prayer and support. With love, **Wayne, Betsy and kids** **Tamil Nadu, India**

Dear saints in the United States, I want thank you so much for your great support. This past month with your assistance I was able to clear the ration and medical bills for the Children's Home kids. Really we can see God is answering all our prayers and opening the doors of provision according to His riches and glory. We are unable to express our gratitude to the Lord or to you in words. My family, our orphan children and co-operating pastors are praying for all of you, your families and the ministry you all have there. We are asking God to give you showers of blessing in the days to come. *I have a personal urgent prayer request. My mother had a heart attack. She is in the hospital awaiting surgery. Please pray that God will touch her body and bring swift healing.* We are grateful. Your loving co-laborer, **Paul Kumar** **Andhra Pradesh, India**



Rev. Dave, **By the God's grace** we have started the serious work of constructing two more classrooms here at John Rogers Academy. All the students are very happy to see this work. We are grateful for the giving of God's people. We are excited about seeing you again. We are praying for your safety and health as you prepare to travel here. We are also praying for the church family there as well as your wife in your absence. **Here is the itinerary for your visit to Ghana:**

January 30 - Arrival in Accra at 8:00 AM Immigration. Travel to Swedru and settle into your room before initial meetings with leaders and staff.

January 31 - Morning services at Asemasa and Evening services at Mansofo.

February 1 - Morning services at Nkwanta and JRA. Evening services at Jacob Village.

February 2 - Morning meetings with students/staff at John Rogers. Evening services at Mampong.

February 3 - Visit Pastor Andrew and farm. Afternoon and evening at Cape Coast.

February 4 - Joint services at Agona Swedru. Evening travel to Accra for early morning departure to USA.

February 5/6 - Travel to Bolivar, NY and arrive home.