

Ethiopia



ONE TEAM...
Praying, giving, going!

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THANK YOU, Christian Life Center, for being a major player in our recent trip to Ethiopia! I had the great privilege of bringing God's Word to 50 Pastors in Amdo through a two-day intensive. We (our team and I) experienced a *very special outpouring* of God's love and favor upon the pastors/leaders and then in the Foursquare Church in Ambo, a church alive with the presence and power of the LORD... in a very challenging environment!

Although the spiritual warfare was severe in many ways, including the confiscation of 90 audio solar Bibles, solar lights, and water filters by Ethiopian customs, God is not mocked nor defeated by circumstances or by our enemy, the devil. *Instead, He works all things for His purpose and for His Glory.* (Romans 8:28)

Adjusting our approach...

In Acts 16 the Apostle Paul was deeply burdened to bring the Gospel into Asia Minor, but the Holy Spirit closed the door... *twice!* Instead, God brought him into focus with what would later become the Philippian Church, a Body of believers he came to deeply love.

The audio Bibles would have set a different direction in the pastors meetings — *all we brought was God's Word, and His love!* His Word was planted in fertile soil and the Holy Spirit deeply touched and impacted the pastors, *including our two translators!!*

Pastor Abraham (Addis Ababa) and I, and the Evangelical Association he's associated with, have a plan to release the Bibles from customs. We presented Abraham with the Lightstream, which, I believe, is an *even greater evangelism tool for the harvest!* It contains the Bible in three Ethiopian languages, the Jesus Film, and many other discipleship resources, which can all be downloaded to their phones... *anywhere in the world, with or without internet!* (Click or scan the QR code to learn more about the Clearstream Pocket)





Ambo Foursquare Church

The Church in Ambo

The Ambo Foursquare Church is a spiritually powerful church — an “Antioch” sending church. (Acts 13:1-3) The church resides in an aggressive (dangerous) environment (Psalm 23:5) with extreme poverty, and difficult to get to. It’s apparent in God’s Word and in history that His Church thrives when the surroundings are anything but comfortable. (Isaiah 60:1-2) The Ambo Church is alive with visible evidence of the power of God!

During the service I was asked to lay hands on two men being sent out as a pastor and an evangelist!

Not only did we deeply affect the pastors and that body of believers, but their intense zeal and love for God touched *our* hearts (very much like our visit to an underground church in Shanghai, China a few years ago).

Again, thank you, Christian Life Center, everyone who fervently prayed, and especially our team for being a part in touching Ethiopia. Your involvement perfectly exemplifies our missions slogan — One team, praying, giving, going — and had eternal results. **God was greatly glorified.**

Pastor Jack

OUR PRAYER — *In the midst of extreme violence and poverty You, oh LORD, have become the Ambo Foursquare Church’s desperation and a burning fire. They are a FOUNTAIN of Holy Ghost, Apostolic, and Prophetic ministry. Do it in us, oh God! Create in us a consuming fire and an insatiable hunger for You!! (Habakkuk 3:2; Isaiah 54:2-3)*

1 Kings 8:60 ...that all the peoples of the earth may know that the LORD is God; there is no other.