WHEN WE PRAY,



# SPRING 2024

AMBARICHO INTERNATIONAL PRAYER AND MISSION MOVEMENT

NEWS AND PRAYER LETTER

GOD WORKS!



### LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER

Dear praying and supporting friends of AIPM, In Christ, I pray that you are each doing well.

God is mightily moving through the ministry of AIPM. We are so grateful for his excellent provision and protection. Currently, across Ethiopia, we have 590 missionaries sent and working. Last year alone, over 11,000 people came to Christ, and over 370 house churches were planted! God is doing an amazing work in Ethiopia through AIPM.

God is also using AIPM on numerous university campuses. God has made a way for us to preach the gospel on secular university campuses, and miraculously, he is not just saving thousands of young people, which he is, but also calling hundreds to commit their lives to global missions. We earnestly desire your prayers for this great move of God happening in our midst.

Additionally, God has provided AIPM with the financial resources to complete the 1st & 2nd floors of our building in Durame! Once complete, these spaces will be rented out, and revenue will be created for AIPM. We now see how God will allow us to use this revenue to build the AIPM Global Missions University (AIPM GMU). AIPM GMU is a missionary training university and has never been needed more than right now. The land for the GMU is in its final stages of approval, and once approved, many resources will be required. His plans and timing are so great!

I want to say thank you for your day and night prayers for AIPM. Your tireless support in seeing God's kingdom expanded in Ethiopia is a great blessing.

In Christ, Dr. Desta

## MISSIONARY

"THE CHRISTIAN
GOD HEARS
AND ANSWERS
PRAYERS!"

#### Terefe Tesfaye's Story

In Wolkite, Ethiopia, Terefe Tesfaye has served as an AIPM missionary since 2016. Terefe serves in the village of Kebena. This predominantly Muslim area has been a tough ground for Terefe. Terefe and his wife rented a living space from a Muslim who had previously used the space for his Islamic prayers. However, God orchestrated that this Muslim man would need more money around the time that Terefe needed a place to stay.

At one point, when interacting with his Muslim landlord, a snake came into the home's living room area. Terefe's wife came in and killed the snake, causing all the Muslims to be in awe of this bold act. God used this act to soften their hearts to the God of Israel, YAHWEH.



HIGHLIGHTS

Because of this, the Muslim landlord asked Terefe and his wife to begin praying for his son, who was facing federal charges. Terefe and his wife agreed to pray. About a month later, God made a way for these charges to be dropped entirely, and the Muslim landlord was astonished at how faithful our God is when he said, "The Christian God hears and answers prayers!"

This is a fantastic testimony of how God is using AIPM missionaries. Terefe and his wife are living in a hard-to-reach area and making themselves available to be used by God, who's using Terefe to reach into the smallest corners of Ethiopia. Places where most of us will never go!

### University Mission Training

On January 4-5th, 2024, Desta was at Arbaminch University leading prayer and missions training. This five-campus event included more than 1000 college students who are either presently involved in mission work or desire to become involved in missions. This was a powerful time of prayer and training for AIPM and an excellent opportunity for Desta to connect personally with the missionaries.





Following the training and prayer, about 500 students took to the campus and preached the gospel to more than 1100 young people. Praise God that 158 people repented their sins and declared Jesus Christ Lord of their lives as a result!

158 lives transformed for eternity! What an amazing and immediate harvest to the preceding time of prayer and training.



# AIPM PROJECTS UPDATE







near opening the first floor for rentals. These two pictures were taken in January 2024. When you read this newsletter in early April, the initial spaces on the first floor will be near completion. We are currently discussing with potential vendors and expect the spaces to fill up. Our goal is not just to rent space to local vendors (banks, clothing stores, and other retail stores) but also to minister to and pray for each vendor. We

look forward to God using us to reach the community through these business relationships. Right now, we need your prayers. We need God to continue to make a way for the building to be complete, and we need God's favor over every business relationship that is about to be established.





### CHICKEN FARM

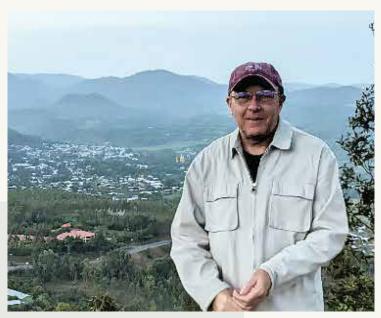


We are praising God for more than 900 chickens that are laying eggs

right now. However, due to significant power problems, we still have not been able to utilize the incredible feed generator shown here. We are working to install the correct type of power on the property; however, this is proving to be very difficult. Not being able to create our own feed reduces the profits significantly. Please pray that God will make a way to give us the power to run this machine.

## MEDICAL MINISTRY





The lack of emergency medical care continues challenging millions of people in Ethiopia. Dr. Desta has a vision to reach people by being the hands and feet of Christ by providing trained First Responders nationwide. In 2023, a partnership was formed with

Dr. Emnet Shimber, an ER Physician from Hawassa University Hospital, and a US-based team of experienced paramedics. This team worked together and trained more than 200 nurses to be Ethiopia's first modern EMTs. Only through God's incredible timing have these two visions come together. Lee Wittmann, a new AIPM Board Member, a 30+ year paramedic educator, and his colleague Pat Patterson from Bay Leaf Baptist Church taught first aid techniques to Dr. Shimber's nurses in Hawassa and AIPM Leaders in Durame this past June. Plans are underway to continue this critical training in 2024. Interest is high in the collaboration between Ethiopia's nationalized EMS system and community partners like AIPM, who want to serve as local Missionary First Responders.

# DR. DESTA LANGENA FOUNDATION



Many of you have only heard about the new foundation that Dr. Desta created. Much more will come about this great work. Officially, the Dr. Desta Langena Foundation (DDLF) is a Civil Society Organization that bears the name of its founder. The DDLF is working continually for unreached people in Ethiopia, a majority of whom are living in abject and multidimensional poverty.

Of the nation's over 120 million population, 63 percent are unemployed. Access to potable water is said to be among the 'worst-performing' indicators for the entire country. Other indicators of a fragile national economy and absolute poverty in Ethiopia include high unemployment, food/water insecurity, and poor education opportunities. Access to education, health services, and electricity is nearly non-existent in rural areas. Therefore, the DDLF is mobilizing and working to care for those in need through compassionate care and providing essential resources for life.



### LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

"Working to get these updates together for you is a sanctifying experience for me. So many times, it's easy for me to get caught up in my life here in the USA and forget all God is doing worldwide.

Having recently returned from Ethiopia and reflecting on all that I saw, I can say with great conviction that the God of the universe is at work, and he is moving mightily through AIPM. You are part of this great work!

Interestingly, it seems the more God does, the greater the need becomes. Right now, AIPM and its missionaries are facing persecution, hunger, and uncertainty. Right now, God has provided numerous new opportunities, and the ministry is growing rapidly. Despite all this, the AIPM team prays daily. Trusting that God would provide for their needs and make a way for all of Ethiopia to come to know Christ.

Our great blessing is that we can be part of what God is doing now. Our great blessing is that we can see a need and respond. We can partner with God and see a great kingdom movement in our lives.

Presently, the needs are high. From food, cows, or motorcycles to electricity, buildings, and land, there has never been a greater need for AIPM.

I want to say thank you for your partnership. I pray you will continue with us on this incredible journey and pray about new ways to support AIPM. You'll never be sorry that you directly supported this great work of God."