

WHEN WE PRAY,



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**AMBARICHO INTERNATIONAL
PRAYER AND MISSION MOVEMENT**

NEWS AND PRAYER LETTER

GOD WORKS!



LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER

Dear praying and supporting friends of AIPM. I trust the Lord that you are doing great with the help and protection of God. The AIPM team and I pray daily for every blessing to rest upon you all.

We are always greatly blessed by what God has been doing through AIPM since its commencement. It has been 26 years since we first started the prayer movement on Mount Ambaricho and 20 years since we began sending our first missionary to the unreached areas in Ethiopia. God has been so faithful in helping us so far that He has greatly blessed us throughout all those years. Praise to His great Name! Amen.

We are so much grateful for God's provision, especially for our mission work and every need we had. Also, we want to thank Him for His protection on each of us, especially our missionaries working in very unsecured and unsafe regions of the country. Since January 2024, many new things have taken place in our missionary sending endeavor. We have increased the number of our missionaries by 52, and now the total number of AIPM missionaries has grown to 642.

Ministry among universities is still incredibly moving forward, especially by conducting training on the necessity of prayer for life, ministry, and global missions. At some campuses, more than half of the trainers commit themselves to being full-time missionaries in the future until we cannot believe our eyes on what is happening.

We really appreciate all our supporters who have strived with us in this sacrificial journey of many years. Thank you so much for your tireless support to see the Kingdom of God expanded through AIPM. May the Lord continue blessing you richly and mightily!!

In Christ's love and His Kingdom Service
Desta Langena (Dr.)



“Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest.”

- Jesus, Jn 4:35

God has such an affection for Ethiopia.

Mentioned 40 times in Scripture, throughout its storied history and positioned in such a pivotal region, God has never allowed Ethiopia to be colonized. That's truly remarkable.

At 26 years old, the Ambaricho International Prayer and Missions Movement (AIPM) has emerged as a gospel force nationwide. Whether it is prayer and ministry to the various parts of the Orthodox areas or as far to the east or south as the roads allow, AIPM is sending missionaries to every corner.

However, the most remarkable aspect of AIPM's ministry is not just sending missionaries to the entire nation of Ethiopia, which is extraordinary, but how evident

God's mighty hand of favor is over the ministry. For decades, in places where missionaries have either been denied access or seen extreme opposition, God has been granting AIPM missionaries extraordinary favor. Doors are being opened, the gospel is being shared and received, and most importantly, churches are planting nationwide. AIPM is being used by God, sowing and reaping, praying and proclaiming, for the glory of Christ alone. That's exciting!

In this issue, we want to highlight two things. First, we want to highlight the new missionaries that God has added to AIPM since the first of this year, and second, we want to highlight the faithful men and women who make all the details happen, the AIPM staff.

NEW MISSIONARIES IN 2024

As Dr. Desta mentioned, AIPM and its faithful support network are now supporting 642 missionaries, 52 new since January 2024. Below is a list of these new missionaries by name. The importance of knowing the AIPM missionaries' names can't be overstated. After all, AIPM is a prayer and missionary-sending movement in Africa. Seeing and knowing each of these missionaries is unrealistic for most, especially as the ministry grows. Therefore, each of us must commit to praying for the AIPM missionaries by name.

Some are in war-torn areas; most are exceedingly isolated from comforts such as regular electricity, internet, and easily accessible water. In any case, it's a privilege for us to have the opportunity to pray by name, saying that God would not only protect them but also increase their faith and grant them great eternal favor over those whom they seek to reach. It's our great honor to share these names with you.

The Halaba Region, mostly east/northeast of Durame, added 15 new missionaries in January 2024. This favor is a result of continued prayer and work in the area. The area is primarily rural, with thatched homes made of wood and mud, many of which are without roofs. Drinking water is

gathered from lakes and rivers and carried to residences, and firewood and tree leaves are used for cooking. But more importantly, the area is predominantly Muslim. While AIPM celebrates 15 new missionaries, we are confident that without God's help, their work will only be minimally fruitful. Pray that God would give each of these missionary's great favor as they live and work among so many hostile to the gospel.

Marcos Godebo	Tesfaye Haile
Abera Hibiso	Deneke Achiso
Teshale Tapeno	Workineh Mustefa
Getachew Abola	Mattewos Ashuro
Eshetu Zemedede	Zemedede Wetta
Netsanet Mulugeta	Aberash Degelo
Adisalem Girma	Tadelech Achiso
	Kassech Irenso

Also in January, in the Rehobot Gutmena, Mojjo, and Shashemene areas, these new missionaries were added.

Alemitu	Tefera Mesoro
Ayinalem Selfiso	Adamu Deba
Woldemichaiell Funde	

In February and March, 20 more missionaries were sent by AIPM across various regions. Many are along and near the Awash River area in the northeast, but some are spread across Oromia and other regions. Please pray for each of these, as some work isolated from support, relying wholly on prayer and God’s grace to make a way each day.

Zewude Marcos	Abebech Worku
Mulatu Sebiro	Tagesse Temesgen
Genet Belayneh	Adimasu Adema
Ashenafi Reta	Endalkachew Kedir
Alemu Abosso	Yacob Nana
Tesfahun Masebo	Amsal Nega
Daniel Ambaye	

Finally, April and May added 12 more missionaries in different areas, several in Tigray in the far north.

The Tigray area on the border with Eritrea is where much of the war violence (including war crimes such as genocide, torture, and sexual violence) has been occurring.

Dawit Shewangizaw	Birihane Welay
Elias Kebede	Amanuel Halafom
Girma Mulusew	Hiyis Kahisey
Desalegn Mehert	Tekile Tiramo
Zekarias Tadesse	Zelalem Ermias
Tewolde Gebrehiwet	Eyasu Lagore

We can celebrate God calling each of these men and women to be on the field in Ethiopia, expanding God’s kingdom. We encourage you to “pray over each name” mentioned here. While God knows their specific needs, in faith, we can join in this great work by lifting these names to Christ, trusting him for his greatest blessings and favor.

Below, you will see a special blessing just for you. Two specific stories are written directly from new missionaries on the field right now. These stories are real-world accounts received in the past 45 days. We hope you will celebrate these stories, read them aloud in your churches and homes, and pray that God will bless each of them.

MISSIONARY

HIGHLIGHTS



Zinabu Bogale's Story

My name is Zinabu Bogale. I am married and have 1 child. My wife and I both serve as AIPM missionaries together and this year AIPM has placed us in the Adam Tulu area. This whole area is controlled by a demonic system, but God is helping us a lot. Many people are coming to Christ. When we pray, evil spirits leave from many people, and as a result they are accepting Jesus. As of today we have shared the gospel with 499 people and 77 of them have received Jesus as their life Savior. Also, the existing Christians in this area are weak in their walk, so I am praying and teaching strongly to help the them see Christ and to follow his path. I hope God will change this area and ask that you pray for me. God bless you.



Zewude Marcos' Story

Hello, my name is Zewude Marcos. I am not married and have been a missionary since 2019. I joined AIPM on this year in May 2024. I am assigned to the Arusi and Argoba peoples which are located in Oromia Region. After we entered the area, we immediately noticed a lot of changes. 90% of the people are Muslims but they somehow have been open to hearing the gospel from us. Upon arrival we formed 3 prayer teams to pray over the area. Within 3 months 155 people had heard the gospel and 35 of them come to Christ! Know we have even received land to plant a church in the area and are praying that God would allow this to happen soon. Finally, I am getting married within few months and excited to be starting my family.





AIPM STAFF

No great work of God can be done alone.

Like in the body of Christ, with its many members having varying gifts, great ministries also require many gifts. A movement like AIPM is no different. Success requires the devoted work of many. By God's grace, Dr. Desta was given not only the gift of prayer and preaching but also

the gift of leadership. For years, Desta has led and grown the AIPM staff to be what it is today: a faithful, dedicated, hardworking, and, most importantly, praying staff. The AIPM staff is responsible for making sure the ministry runs well. Missionaries must be paid, preaching must be organized, prayer must be coordinated, and most of all, praying faithfully is required. The AIPM staff is dedicated to prayer and seeing God move in ways only he can. We are thrilled to share the AIPM staff with you and ask that you pray over them and their families.



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“He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God’s fellow workers ...”

— 1 Corinthians 3:8-9a —



Siraj Birebo
Building Manager



Melese Abdo
Prayer/Partnership Coordinator



Tessema Tesfaye
Finance Manager



Abebech Darsebo
Prayer Coordinator/Durame Missions



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Janitorial Services



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Secretary



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Prayer Coordinator/Durame Missions



Abayneh Desta
Poultry Manager



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Proverbs 3 tells us to, “⁵ Trust in the Lord with all our heart, and do not lean on our own understanding. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.” (ESV). These words are a breath of life as AIPM USA partners with AIPM.

I have never been around or seen a group of people so committed to prayer as I have seen with AIPM. Their reliance on and desperation for prayer is humbling, inspiring, and motivating.

Ministry in Ethiopia is hard. It’s not for the faint of heart. Why is this ministry so hard? The enemy hates how the gospel is spreading so fast among the people of Ethiopia. The enemy loathes seeing God’s kingdom grow so fast. So, the spiritual forces and the cosmic powers that are scheming (Eph 6) are hard at work. The war front, based in Durame, Ethiopia, sees challenges with things like getting the right kind of electricity to feed the chickens, getting the vehicles out of customs, training and funding new missionaries, and anomalies with the new website. It goes on and on.

But God did not ask us to trust what we see. He hasn’t asked us to trust in our own understanding or desires. Rather, God demands we trust in Him with all our hearts, and we trust in his timing and his ways with great faith. So, inspired by my brothers and sisters on the AIPM staff and their relentless reliance on prayer ... I am more motivated than ever, and fear or fret over no perceived difficulties in ministry.

Instead, I am grateful for each of you and ask that you double down in your prayers and commitment to this move of God. I think AIPM is just getting started! Together, we can trust the Lord to do great and mighty things in our lifetime through AIPM.

Let’s go!