

## DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

## *Courageous Kingdom Advancement In 2023*

Hello AIPM Partners!

In early 2023, I became the Executive Director for AIPM USA. Serving Dr. Desta, the AIPM Ethiopia Staff, the AIPM USA Board and Staff, and all of you (our partners and supporters) has been a tremendous blessing and honor for me. Thank you so much.

It's been an amazing year! Courageous Kingdom Advancement are the best three words I can offer to describe the ministry of AIPM in 2023.

You may not be aware that Ethiopia's northern region has a continuing armed conflict. This conflict makes the work of the AIPM missionaries not only very difficult but also very dangerous. Praise the Lord, none of the AIPM missionaries have been harmed because of the conflict, but instead, they have remained steadfast in their mission to spread the gospel.

Since mid-November, AIPM missionaries have shared the gospel with over 122,588 people; 11,102 were saved! Praise the Lord! Your prayers and support are directly tied to this great harvest. Also in 2023, AIPM trained 8,481 believers in an introductory discipleship class. That's phenomenal. This vital work would not be possible without you.

I am so grateful for each of you. Your prayers and support are integral to all God does through AIPM. I am here for you if you have any questions. I anticipate an even greater year in 2024 and look forward to your continued partnership.

Sincerely,

Matt Mendenhall

Matt Mendenhall Executive Director AIPM USA



Several great works are underway, as you've heard throughout the year, many of which are accelerating or nearing completion.

The chicken farm is producing eggs at a rate that will soon create financial support for nearly ten missionaries. The second floor of the building complex in Durame is well underway, and funds have been received to finish the first floor. This building will generate substantial income for AIPM and allow it to become an even greater pillar in the community.



Did you know that a new missionary training university will soon be built in Durame, Ethiopia? That's right! The five-acre plot of land donated by the Ethiopian government to



AIPM was a miracle! The approval process to begin building the university is nearly finished. Imagine the city, county, state, and federal levels of approval here in the United States. The AIPM GMU (Ambaricho International Prayer and Missions Movement Global Missions University) now has approvals at all but the federal level, which Dr. Desta says is a formality, and expects no issues with final approval.

This means that this year, and because of generous donations, construction of the AIPM GMU will begin. We believe that AIPM GMU will start to train missionaries from Ethiopia and all of Africa!



Another exciting blessing this year was the creation of the Dr. Desta Langena Foundation (DDLF).

This foundation is much like a 501c3 in the United States and expands the reach of AIPM's ministry by caring for widows, orphans, and those in extreme need. Like a "non-profit" in the United States, the DDLF will allow Dr. Desta and AIPM to reach difficult areas more easily. This foundation is a significant blessing and expansion of AIPM.

Finally is the new AIPM Global website!

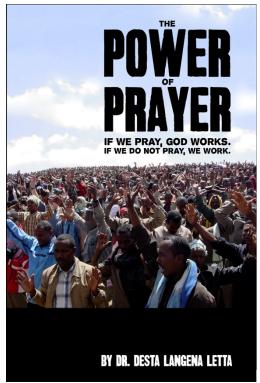
The new website will launch officially on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. The new website (<u>www.aipmglobal.com</u>) will serve every aspect of AIPM in English and Amharic. Information about AIPM, AIPM GMU, the DDLF, and AIPMUSA will be available on the new website. We look forward to this exciting next step in telling the extraordinary story of all that God is doing through AIPM!

In closing, to whom much is given, much will be required. The courageous work God allowed this year will take many resources to accomplish. It is estimated that the AIPM GMU will require close to \$7M USD to complete. We are confident that God will provide every need for this great vision according to his will and perfect timing.

We thank you for your continued partnership and encourage you to pray and consider an end-of-year gift.

One way to accomplish this is by a special offer to receive a copy of Dr. Desta's new book, The Power of Prayer.

We will send you a free copy of the book if you offer an end-of-year gift of \$30 USD or more.



Online giving or other amounts can still be given on the AIPMUSA website, <u>www.aipmusa.com/support</u>, until the end of the year.

Your consistent and faithful prayers are so important; after all, when we pray, God works!

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