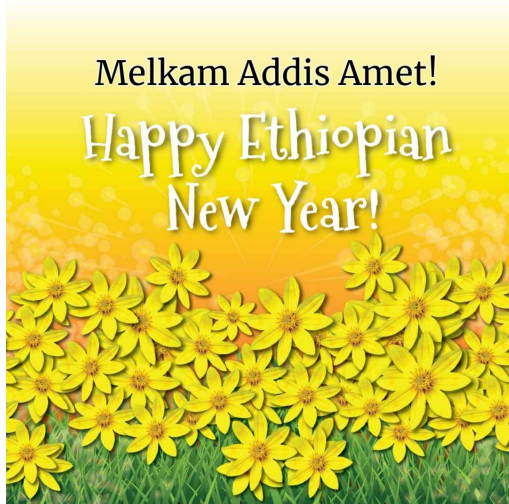




AMBARICHO INTERNATIONAL PRAYER AND MISSION MOVEMENT

SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWS AND PRAYER LETTER

AIPM Annual Report



We are excited to share with you AIPM's annual report. Although September might seem like an unusual time of year to do so for supporters in the United States, there is a reason for it. Ethiopia uses a different calendar system, which consists of 13 months. Each of the first 12 months has 30 days, while the 13th month has 5 or 6 days, depending on whether it's a leap year. Interestingly, September 11th in our calendar was New Year's Day in Ethiopia! We are thankful for what God has done in Ethiopia over the past year.

AIPM's primary focus is on one-on-one evangelism. This approach is due to their deep desire to share the gospel and make disciples. As a result, AIPM's missionaries keep a careful record of everyone they speak to so that they can pray for them and follow up as needed. They report these details to the home office every two months. Over the past two decades, AIPM has been instrumental in reaching millions with the gospel message. Since March 2004, AIPM has sent out 453 missionaries who have shared the gospel with 3,972,750 individuals. Of these, 552,440 people have accepted Christ and been disciplined, and 3,315 churches have been planted.

In the past year, AIPM has continued to witness God's faithfulness. They have sent out 53 new missionaries, and as a result, 210,000 people have heard the gospel through personal conversations. Of these, 22,400 have accepted Christ, and 315 new churches have been planted.

AIPM Global YouTube Channel

AIPM has launched a new YouTube channel called AIPM Global. Dr. Desta will use this platform to share the gospel, Biblical teachings, and AIPM's prayer focus with the Amharic-speaking community worldwide.



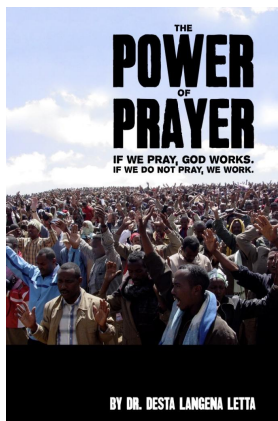
During his trip to the United States, Dr. Desta utilized his time to work on a series of videos on prayer, based on his books - *The Power of Prayer* and *Desta Means Joy*. Each video is approximately fifteen minutes long and focuses on a specific topic related to prayer in the life of a Christian. The topics covered include "Prayer brings Revival," "Testimony of the Kajele Revival," "Prayer of Repentance," "Making the Church a House of Prayer,"



"Family and Prayer," "Fasting and Prayer," "Value of a Prayer Retreat," and many others. The series of videos will consist of over 80 sessions, aimed at helping Amharic speakers worldwide benefit from Dr. Desta's insights, even if they don't have access to the books.

We want to express our gratitude to Center Point Church in Independence, Kentucky, for kindly providing us with video equipment to use in Durame. We would also like to thank David Day for assisting Dr. Desta with video and editing during his recent visits to Portland. As the Lord leads, we plan to release one or two weekly videos, and we would greatly appreciate your prayers for maximum global impact. We welcome any help sharing the new YouTube channel with Ethiopians worldwide. Please encourage them to "Like" and "Subscribe" to the AIPM Global YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@aipm-global>.

Prayer Book



We are excited to share that Dr. Desta's second book, *The Power of Prayer: If We Pray, God Works. If We Do Not Pray, We Work* is published in English and available on Amazon. This book chronicles Desta's life, including his teenage years in which the Ethiopian communist government imprisoned him for refusing to renounce his faith in Jesus. It was a challenging yet powerful season of his life that produced a prayer warrior. We encourage you to get Dr. Desta's book today so you can learn from his experience and let it challenge you to dig deeper in your prayer life. You can purchase his book at <https://a.co/d/gwrKbHR>.

Missionary Highlight

Being stoned by a mob wasn't the first time Tarekegne Gobena had been physically assaulted because of his faith in Jesus. As a high school student, Tarekegne noticed a difference between his life and the lives of his Christian classmates. Growing up with parents who were involved in the worship of evil spirits left him longing for peace. He started attending a local church and embraced the gospel message. He finally felt peace in his heart, but the turmoil at home increased as his family became very uncomfortable with his newfound faith. He survived physical abuse from his father, including a broken hand, and his father kicked him out. He had nowhere to go and slept at the church for a year. Eventually his father allowed him to return home, but it was another 11 years of Tarekegn's faithful prayers before his family got saved.



After receiving a diploma in Biblical studies, Tarekegne served in a local Kalehiwot Church. In 2020, he joined AIPM to serve as a missionary. He is serving in an area where two-thirds of the population practices Islam. Despite facing persecution, he has witnessed miracles and healings and successfully proclaimed the gospel to hundreds of people through one-on-one evangelism. Additionally, he has discipled and mobilized new converts to pray on top of a local mountain and is currently planting a new church.

We invite you to pray for Tarekegne as he shares the gospel in a challenging environment. Let us praise God for the twenty-five people he recently baptized. We ask for God's guidance to continue to soften hearts and for Tarekegne's boldness in spreading the gospel.

On a personal note, Tarekegne and his wife hope to start a family. He also has a strong desire to further his Biblical education. We request that you pray for God's perfect timing in Tarekegne's life.

Dr. Desta's Visit to the U.S.



We are grateful to God for Dr. Desta's successful visit to the United States. He will return home on September 25th and is currently spending his final two weeks in the Washington, D.C., area. We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who hosted Dr. Desta, as their support has greatly benefited AIPM.

Prayer Requests

Post-pandemic inflation rates in Ethiopia are on the rise, presenting new challenges for the AIPM staff and missionaries, and affecting ongoing building projects. Additionally, internal conflicts in the northern part of the country have created a ripple effect on the nation's already-strained economy. We urge you to pray for divine intervention for Ethiopia and financial provision for AIPM during these trying times.

Your consistent and faithful prayers are so important; after all, when we pray, God works! Please continue to pray for AIPM, and if you are led to donate financially to support the missionaries and AIPM's growth, you can give online at www.aipmusa.org/support.

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