Training Disciple Makers and Encouraging the Unity of Churches in the Horn of Africa



PRAYING BETWEEN TWO WORLDS

In Luke 11, one of Jesus disciples said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." Notice that. People need to BE TAUGHT how to pray. We don't automatically become great men and women of prayer just by being born again. Immediately Jesus gave us the model prayer. "When you pray, say: " 'Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.' " Sometimes we call this the Lord's Prayer, yet it is really the disciple's prayer. Prayer starts right here, daily, thoughtfully, constantly. But Jesus continues teaching with a real-life laboratory experiment. This is the secret of great intercession. "Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.' "Then the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man's boldness he will get up and give him as much as he needs.

This parable is about you. Every believer has two friends. One friend is God the Father Himself, who has plenty of



bread. The other is your neighbor, that person you work with or hang out with...who is lost, hungry, confused, hurting. Maybe they are right in your home. Maybe they are thousands of miles away, yet you know them. They come to you hungry. Have you noticed that God has ar-

ranged that you and I are always strategically placed between Himself and someone who needs bread?

Like Jesus, you and I are to be the link between TWO WORLDS, the link between God and Man, Christ alone is the mediator between God and man, the atonement for sin, but Christians, as part of His Body, also participate in this priestly work of Christ, our Head. In some sense we are to be intercessors like Christ. Remember when the twelve were by the Sea of Galilee with 5,000 hungry people (Mk 6), and Jesus turned to them, and said, "You give them something to eat." On that occasion, a small boy was used to feed a multitude.

(TWO WORLDS continued on other side)

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SUDAN MISSION



The LORD and our Board are sending me back to the UN Tigrayan Refugee Camps in Sudan this October. The Christian families and orphans there are greatly suffering. First monsoon rains and wind caused substantial damage to their simple structures. Then the

World Food Program reduced their food rations by 50%! The children especially are in great need, many are cold and hundreds have contacted us asking for help.

I'm not going on my own. I'll be traveling with Christian doctors we assisted last October, the



Professional Network for Tigray. They have an established clinic in one of the camps. We now have many contacts in Khartoum as well in the camps with whom we can partner. I'm counting on your prayers and support, as I seek to raise \$30,000 for this effort, in

order to supply food and clothing to

those most in need.



Pray that God blesses our team travel arrangements, obtaining our visas, accommodations, interpreters, local church partners and sympathetic UN Staff in this Muslim land.

Because of the military coup last October, the streets are still filled with

protestors. Corruption is huge, shortages are everywhere, yet the LORD is also active bringing salvation and hope. Please help me to share the Gospel!

Negest Hagos Zeleke,



HOUSE OF HOPE NEWS

We just received confirmation from our partners, the MEKANE YESUS Lutheran Church in the Capital city of Mekelle, indicating that our \$40,000 finally arrived. With the banking system there destroyed, we have previously been able only to send lesser amounts our leaders, Kedija and Solomon of HOUSE OF HOPE. While this enabled them to keep our kids alive, now much more can be purchased for them. There is food in the Mekelle warehouses. The BIG need now is FUEL. Because of political pressure from the US and other nations, Ethiopia is now

finally giving some relief. The **UN** and other international agencies are allowed bring in a portion of the semi loads of food and medical equipment needed into Tigray, but very little gasoline. The result is while there is food in Mekelle, it is difficult to truck it out to Adwa and other areas of need



in the country. If we have to, we will use camels! <u>Please</u> join in praying with us for proper and quick transportation!



These past 22 months of Civil War in Ethiopia given us countless reasons to call out to Jesus for help, and amazingly, our House of Hope Kids and City of God friends have been preserved! While the autocrats in that part of a fragile world haven't relinquished power, because of the threats of strong sanctions, actual conflict has slackened. Official peace delegations will soon be gathering, mod-

erated by the African Union. Pray for a spirit of forgiveness and unity and peace. We are praying for internet service to be restored soon!

TWO WORLDS.....

When God gives us special love for friends in need, it brings a certain responsibility. Often they come "at midnight" when it is extremely inconvenient. Since our resources are insufficient, we can't heal, fix, free or provide for them. They know it and we know it. Therefore, we go to God acknowledging our poverty, but also remembering this parable. We have two friends, one who is hungry and one who has bread. In fact, our heavenly father is a friend with all the resources of heaven and earth. In tremendous contrast to the actions of this man in the parable. He always loves to give you that "bread" your friend needs. Therefore, we are charged to ask, seek and knock with certainty. "So, I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Just like the little boy with only 5 dinner rolls and 2 dried fish (Mk 6), our resources are totally insufficient, yet Jesus instructs us to ask boldly, praying persistently until we see the multitudes satisfied. This has been the secret of HFHOA from the beginning.

Dr James Hoefer, Chair

2022 HFHOA Annual Dinner!



We invite PRAYER SUPPORTERS to a FREE Thank You DINNER on November 18, Friday, at 6pm, at Christ Lutheran Church, 3901 E Indian School Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85018. We plan on having special SPONSOR PACKETS with material about your child. You will be able to meet new and old friends of this ministry, hear fresh reports, ask questions, enjoy a delicious meal, and join in

corporate prayer. We have a LIMITED amount of seating this year, and therefore please reserve this special evening!

CITY OF GOD News

art of this ministry is currently caring for young men and women whom we encouraged to go away to safer areas. Women have



been targeted for violent abuse, young men have been forced to join the military. Since jobs are scare, when we are able, we find ways to get them \$ "Birr" so they have something to buy food with. Last week these four found an internet connection in Mekelle, thanking us for remembering them. Each of



them grew up in HOUSE OF HOPE, and are still

International Situation

Ethiopia-Tigray

NICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell stated that conflicts and droughts have a severe impact on children at an audience on the state of food security. She highlights that children cannot receive ordinary food in their condition, but urgently need therapeutic feeding and care.

US Senate passed a bipartisan resolution calling for condemnation of famine as a weapon of war in places like Ethiopia. At the moment, it's not possible to determine the exact number who died and were injured in the war, but the figure is in the tens of thousands, if not in the hun-



dreds of thousands. On top of that, millions of people have been displaced and went through deep psychological trauma. Pray as Peace Delegations meet during this strategic time.

Sudan

The US House of Representatives approved a draft resolution 417 to 7 condemning the military coup in Sudan and expressing solidarity with the Sudanese people, demanding that the military lift the state of emergency, release all those detained in the coup and return to the path of democratic transition. Tigrayan refugees took to the streets of Sudan to protest following the announcement of **WFP** food aid cut by half in the refugee camps in Sudan. They call on the international community to protect the rights of refugees, while living conditions are worsening in due to floods and droughts.