

# PRAYER NEWSLETTER EASTER 2023

## HOPE FOR HORN OF AFRICA MINISTRIES



*“I pray that you’ll begin to understand how incredibly great His power is to help those who believe Him. It’s the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead” (Eph. 1:19- 20 LB).*

**T**his **POWER** is why we continue to invite you to join us as we follow **CHRIST** working in the Horn of Africa. Yes, the forces of darkness are formidable, and their damage great. But we do not rely on our own strength alone. We look to the incredibly great power is available to us in the Risen Jesus!

**Resurrection power** is different from brute force. It isn’t controlling and doesn’t even make a lot of noise. It’s more like the quiet, invisible power of spring, which transforms a cold, barren winter landscape into new life, full of warmth and beautiful colors!

**Resurrection power** is never something **mechanical** that you can switch on and off like magic. Rather it’s **relational**, and issues from welcoming the inner presence of Jesus as Lord. It’s He who does it all! **Doubt? Discouragement? Despair?** We face these things, and more. Anyone who thinks life is easy is in denial. As Board Members these past two years, we have witnessed more heart-wrenching **Pain, Perplexity** and **Problems** than we ever imagined existed; but we have also seen something else. We’ve seen believers in all sorts of circumstances discover that the One who is in them...

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## Preaching the Good News!

**F**rom the very beginning we have supported Evangelists in the Horn of Africa. There are many with gifts and opportunities to serve. Plenty have financial needs. But we are very selective. We want to know who gets the glory? Who is in the spotlight? Jesus taught (John 15:26) that when the Holy Spirit came, *“He shall testify of Me.”* The Holy Spirit has one goal. He is very single-minded. The mark of someone filled with the Holy Spirit is that he is always talking about Jesus. This Easter I want to introduce to you these faithful ambassadors whom you are supporting. They are pointing to Christ, leading many to know Jesus and His Resurrection Power during these perilous times.



In **Tigray** where are **AT-RISK-KIDS** reside, we support **Kbrom, Hagos,** and **Kedija** (pictured with Negest). It is because of their faithfulness that our children are fed both physical and spiri-

tual food. They have special gifts of evangelism, story-telling, and administration. They also assist Pastor **Yared** (below) in teaching new believers.

In **Sudan** we support Tigrayan evangelists in two UN Refugee Camps where it is even more dangerous to be a follower of Jesus. In **Umrakba Camp** we provide prayer, materials, training and financial



support for **Behane** and **Yesef** (standing together) and in **Tenedbra Camp** support **Daneil** and **Gegresalasa**. Each one has proved themselves reliable, risking their own lives to share the Good News. They could easily have chosen an easier life, yet each hears His

Shepherd’s voice and is following where Jesus leads. Keep these precious leaders in your prayers, asking the **LORD** to protect and provide for them as they open up the Book of Life.



**Negest Hagos, President**



**“is greater than he who is in the world”** (1 John 4:4 ESV). We hear from those who have suffered tell us that they were never alone. We have witnessed miracles of provision and safety among our kids. We have marveled at the faithfulness of our Evangelists on the front lines.

**Resurrection Power** is best revealed midst cruelty, pain and death. After all, it was first manifested in a graveyard. It transforms hardened hearts, makes of enemies friends, of sinners children of God.

**Resurrection Power** find its hope in Jesus alone. All other gods say, *“Fail and you will die.”* Jesus says, *“Fail and I will die for you.”* All other religions say, *“Our god is too great to die.”* Christianity claims: *“Our God is so great that He died.”*

There is nothing automatic about **Resurrection Power**, yet we need never go through a day without it. A psychologist once said that there is never any excuse for bad behavior! We are responsible for both our actions and our reactions. In the same way, as believers, there is never any excuse for stumbling through our days living shallow, sinful, small lives in the presence of our Risen Lord.

**Resurrection Power** comes to those humble enough to ask and receive. Breathe in His Spirit with every breath you take. Experience His victorious presence.

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

From time to time, we hear of supporters who are confused about how to make financial contributions. Our volunteer staff have sought to make it easier. Please use any of these means:

1. Send a **check** directly @ US Postage
2. Use your **bank’s check** pay service.
3. Use a **credit card** @ our website
4. Use **PayPal** @ our website
5. Use your bank’s **Zelle** @ [living-](#)

**SPONSORING CHILDREN!**



When the Civil war began, we took a huge step of faith welcoming **150 AT-RISK children**, as violence separated them from their parents (alive or dead)! We had never taken on such a HUGE challenge, and yet the LORD was faithful. During two years of conflict, with enemy troops occupying their city, **Kedija** and **Solomon** lead our growing team of cooks, caretakers, evangelists in

providing the basic necessities for these precious kids. Last week these pictures reached us of children at **HOUSE OF HOPE** washing their



hands before eating, and being in a classroom situation. Because of our reputation we have trusted church partners working with us, but they have no funds! We can’t do this alone, and we are seeking sponsors who



would be willing to **pray** for a child, and **support** them with a gift of **\$39** a month (or **\$78** for full support)! Contact our **Sponsor Coordinator**, Nora (Poki) Carr, or contact Negest at **PO Box 22214, Phoenix, AZ 85028**, or simply use the website to select a child.



Negest asks us to pray for a **SPECIAL NEED** in **Amrakuba Refugee Camp**. A mother we support is asking for prayer and financial help. Doctors can surgically remove this large **TUMOR** on the back of her little girl. Let us know if you would like to help.

**NEWS from HORN OF AFRICA**

**ETHIOPIA:** A new Regional Administration for Tigray is being approved. Western Tigray is still occupied by **Amhara** forces, and Eritrean troops have not departed in the north. Both The International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia and the Human Rights Council at the **UN** face pushback by the national government for their desire to uncover abuses during the Civil War. They urge for the restoration of the constitutional borders of Tigray, allowing people to safely return to their homesteads.

**SUDAN:** Political factions in Sudan have reached an agreement to establish a new transitional government on 11 April this year, after the coup of October 2021. However, the military are delaying handing over power to civilians, and the leader of the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces (the notorious Janjaweed – the Arab militia who terrorized Darfur) is seeking help from Russia and Eritrea to stay in power.

**BEST FRIENDS:** *“The righteous choose their friends carefully.”* (Proverbs 12:26a NIV) Many of us have been praying for years that God would find a helpmate for **Solomon** (pictured with James). He has been a Social Worker with **Mekane Yesus** church for a decade, helping both AT RISK kids in both Rama and Adwa. We rejoice in his announcement to wed fellow believer and beautiful **Shewit** on **April 16** in Adwa. Pictures next Newsletter!

