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#### HOPE FOR HORN OF AFRICA MINISTIRES INC

# HFHOA NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2019

#### Pray for our MISSION TRIP!



nce again, a portion of our Board will be ministering to our kids, widows, pastors and churches in Ethiopia. Negest is departing June 15, in order to secure government documents regarding our many outreaches with orphans and refugees. She will be applying for FREE LAND from the Government to build a permanent home for HOUSE OF HOPE! James, Doru and Smytty will follow in late August. Each of us will be carrying Gospel tracts, and special

supplies not easily obtained there. While each is generously paying their own transportation, we need your help with additional expenses. We have special outreaches in ADWA, SHIRE, RAMA & AXUM, as well as ministering in three Refugee Camps. We will do Pastor and Evangelist Training, and encourage those in our CITY OF GOD ministry. Our main focus, however, will extensive personal discipleship with our own HOUSE OF HOPE orphans. Most of all we covet your prayers for God's favor, power and protection!

, one atom of sodium joined to one atom of chlorine. A substance so highly valued that some past societies used it as a medium of exchange. Today, most societies take its presence for granted. Salt is probably the most widely used flavor enhancer in the world. It has other properties however such as preservation,

purification, etc. It is very well known that salt coming in contact with a wound result in stinging, smarting, and so-forth.

Knowing these properties of salt, it is very interesting to recall that JESUS compared his followers to salt, saying, "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again?" Matthew 5:13. What did JESUS



mean when He said, "Ye are the salt of the earth ...?" The well-known D. James Kennedy had this to say about our being salt:

"Salt acts as a preservative. It stands with feet spread, hands on hips, arms akimbo, across the threshold of the door that leads to all of purity and decency and morality that exists in the world and says to everything that would corrupt, everything that would pollute, everything that would decay: "Thus far, and no farther shalt thou go." That is what we ought to be doing if we are the salt of the earth.

It not only preserves, but also, salt stings. Rub some salt into a wound-ouch! That hurts. And in a society that is filled with wounds and bruises and putrefying sores, they don't always welcome salt, as I have discovered many times. In fact, they can be positively offended by it. That, of course, is something that goes with being (Continued on reverse side)

#### This year's OUTREACH

- **Destiny Discovery** Workshop @ our **HOP** orphans
- CITY of GOD
- REFUGEE camps
- RAMA orphans
- ADWA Compassion school
- AXUM outreach midst fierce persecution

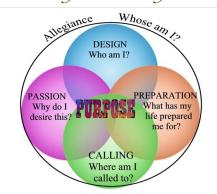
#### DESTINY DISCOVERY WORKSHOP

ur HFHOA Team will conduct this for our House of Hope Youth, with a COACHING MINDSET—believing that God is already active these disciples' lives, and that they can take responsibility and solve their own problems much better than we can. They most need us to believe in them and to provide support, encouragement and accountability as they act on what they know. (As opposed to the MINDSET that God wants to do something in their

lives, but that they don't have the ability to figure things out and need us to provide answers, solve their problems, give them the right ideas, etc.)

We are extremely proud of our orphans, who we believe will become future leaders of their generation! Our **PRIMARY ASSUMP-TION** is that these are Jesus' lambs. They belong to Him and they hear His voice (John 10). Our COACHING goal is to encourage them to ask Jesus and themselves specific questions, to help them (Continued on reverse)

#### Destiny Discovery Workshop (continued)



discover and claim their unique purpose. We are more concerned with who they are than what they do. We understand that transformational relationships are based upon love and trust. Our COACHING goal is to look forward, not fixing the past, but building them up to take responsibility and lead, not follow. We want to consciously speak in terms of their destiny, not their problems. We will use biblical presentations, personal & small group exercises, along with one-on-one coaching (and above all PRAYER) to help participants discover themselves, looking in four directions (see CHART):

- **OUTWARD** at what God reveals to us (His external CALLING)
- **INWARD** at what our DESIGN reveals
- **BACKWARDS** at how he has purposefully PREPARED us through our life experiences
- FORWARD at the dreams and PAS-SIONS that draw us to our destiny

Obviously, our calling is to make disciples, but they are the LORD's not ours. Our

expectation is that they will look to their Master (not us) to obtain wisdom, solve problems, and reveal direction for their lives.





### **CITY of GOD**

From the very beginning of our ministry in the Horn of Africa, our hearts have been broken by those cast out of their Muslim communities when they follow Jesus. Jesus taught that we are to be a City set on a hill for all to see. HFHOA rescues individuals like this sister in Christ. She once owned her own store, but lost everything for Jesus. We provide for their material needs, welcoming them into a loving community of fellow believers!

## Emanuel

What distinguishes you from the rest of the world? According to Exodus 33:16, it is the presence of the Lord! Do you

practice the presence of God? Even when things are not going according to your expectations are you still aware of His presence? He promised that He will NEVER leave you nor forsake you! Do you believe it? John 14:15–18: "You are not an orphan because Jesus sent His Spirit to abide with you FOREVER!" Hallelujah Glory to the Lord. "You will make me full of joy in Your presence." (Acts 2:28). "Set your heart at rest in His presence." 1 John 3:19). Many call God, "Emanuel"— God with us, but God wants to dwell in us, and us in Him!

In every circumstance of life God reveals Himself. In trouble —He is the Deliverer, in sickness —He is the Healer, in discouragement—He is the Encourager, in tragedy —He is the Comforter, in fear —He is the Peace, in need —He is the Provider, in loneliness —He is the Companion, in sadness —He is the Joy. In hopeless situation —He is the Hope, in death—He is the Resurrection!

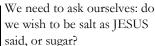
Are you claiming His promise? "If you seek Me with all your heart, you shall find Me." I had people coming to me and asking, "How can I have more of God?" I replied, "When God has more of you, you will have more of God!" God walked with Enoch for 300 years because Enoch walked with God and loved to be in His presence. Do you seek Him? Do you love His presence? How much time do you spend with Him daily?

By Rev. Doru Neamtu, Vice President of the Board



Dr. Kennedy further observed, "that there is a new brand of Christianity around. It is a non-irritating brand of Christianity that is without offense and without effect." JESUS did not call us to be the sugar of the world. He called us to be the salt of the earth".

This does not mean that we should be deliberately confrontational or offensive, but that we should let our light shine before men. In John I6:8 JESUS said of the Comforter that he would send: "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and judgment".



By Royal Simmons, Secretary of Board

