# **GHANA MISSION**



## DMM Module 2 Training

Check out some of the great singing during the training.

https://youtu.be/-fEmL2tp5ql

https://youtu.be/cFnj1MivAPM

Nathan will be coaching us in next steps for the DMM and BigLife generously paid for all the expenses of the training. Thanks you God for blessing us in this way. May God be glorified!

This month we began partnering with <u>BigLife</u>, a ministry that trains and coaches DMMers all over the world. Isaac, Moses and I had taken module one training by Curtis Sergeant in January of 2015. We assisted Nathan, a BigLife trainer in conducting two module 1 trainings in southern Ghana and then we brought him to Buipe where he did module 2 training with the Buipe DMM Network leaders.

#### BY THE NUMBERS:

# February New Baptisms	227
# YTD 2018 Baptisms	388
# February New Groups	52
# YTD 2018 New Groups	81

These numbers are used to verify multiplication needed to confirm DMM.

Glorifying the great "I AM" through **D**isciple **M**aking





DMM Module 2 Training



Steel door to improve security.



Fellowship meal before the training in Suhum each evening



Adding a new room to our house to use for exercising and meetings.

If you haven't done so yet, please check out our website @ https:// ruffupdate.com

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT:



**How Do We Spell Success?** 

That's a very good question. Researchers have determined that we tend to work harder on the areas that we believe are more critical. (If we're making good work decisions, we are always prioritizing the "critical path" that connects us to achieving the highest-level goals.) So what goals are YOU measuring in your own life? Last year, our organizational family set goals for new baptisms (2100), new groups or "simple churches" (500), and average attendance in worship services (27,000). As the last few reports straggle into Emerald Hills (from outlying areas), you can follow the progress reports real-time at

www.CatchAVision.com . In fact, you can use the same URL to follow our prayers and progress throughout the entire year at any time, night or day. The results there are always real-time. Do metrics matter? Apparently they did to the writer of Acts. Check it out today. Doug **PRAYER** "Ask the LORD of the Harvest therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field." Matthew 9:38

#### PRAISES:

• Praise God for the 227 new baptisms we had during February of 2018. Also praise God for the 52 new discipleship groups that began in January as well.

• Praise God we have had several good meetings with Isaac and Moses as well as the leaders of the Buipe DMM network. We have concluded that we need 12 section leaders to meet with group leaders in each section for coaching and the gathering of monthly statistics. We were able to give each section leader a bicycle to make it possible for the section leaders to meet with their group leaders each month. Praise God for your support that has also made it possible to purchase four motorcycles to allow the Buipe network leaders to expand into four new segments of Gonjaland.

Praise God for two safe trips to and from Accra to work on residency permits for Amy and I as well as begin working on obtaining passports for Isaac, Moses and Hezekiah.
We have Hezekiah's, Isaac's and Amy's passport. We are still working on Moses' birth certificate and passport as well as Terry and Amy's residency permit.

• Praise God for the safe journey to Accra and back to assist with two module 1 DMM trainings as well as the great module 2 training we received in Buipe. Thank you to Nathan and BigLife for the investment they made into the Buipe DMM Network. A special thanks to BigLife for footing the bill.

- Praise God that Diallo, a Fulani believer that we have trained, has led two Mallams (muslim leaders) to Christ and taken them for a training in Burkina Faso. Thanks again to your generous support we were able to provide the finance needed for them to be in this training.
- Praise God we are still working our plan for getting and staying healthy. We are continuing to build a multi-purpose room onto our Buipe house. We will use it for exercise equipment, vertical farming to raise a variety of lettuces spices as well as host various meetings. The cost for this did not come out of ministry funds. Funds for the additional room, exercise equipment and security fence was taken out of our retirement fund.
- Praise God for the Graham family who oversees the Permaculture Center and Community Development Outreach to area villages and great DMM work.
- Praise God Jared and Anna Odle look forward to expanding their Shea Nut business and ministry to schools by giving out school supplies.
- Praise God for Job, a Ghanaian Kairos Head Facilitator, that Amy trained and certified. Job has continued offering the Kairos training with Ghanaian facilitators. Kairos is a missions awareness course that mobilizes people to finish the task of reaching all peoples with the gospel.
- Praise God we had a very productive meeting with Great Commission ministry in Accra that we are partnering with to record Jesus Films and Walking With Jesus Films.
- Praise God for the 15 sheep we recently butchered and the Tilapia fish that we harvested from our pond.
- Praise God the new website is now up and running.

#### **REQUESTS:**

- Please pray for the Buipe DMM Networks. Please pray that they will keep things simple, easily reproducible and sustainable. The discipleship groups are multiplying and it resembles a bush fire spreading across Gonjaland. Please pray that further leadership development will take place to sustain the multiplication in the two Gonja segments we are currently working in and the four new segments we are expanding in 2018.
- Please pray that the Buipe Network leaders will implement what they learned in Module 2 training.
- Please pray that the spark ignited in Cote d'Ivoire will spread to other African countries. Please
  pray that we will soon get Moses' birth certificate and passport as well as Amy and my residency
  permits. Passports for Isaac and Moses will allow them to follow up leaders that were trained in
  Cote d'Ivoire in their own perspective countries. This will provide leaders further training and
  encouragement in their context for launching new DMM networks.

- Please pray for the extra resources needed to continue walking through the doors that God is opening to other countries. Northside Christian pays our salary but there will be many more funds needed to followup on the leaders from various countries that God has allowed Isaac and Moses to train. We also have an opportunity to send Isaac and Moses to a north African country.
- Please pray about our <u>2018 goals</u>. We believe the open doors into other African countries enables us equip the Buipe DMM network to become a mission force for God in other African countries.
- Please pray for Jared and Anna as they work on business ideas that will help the DMM's be financially sustainable and provide school supplies and training in local schools. Also please pray for their family as many of the kids now have chicken pox.
- Please pray for Bobby and Mandy as work on Community Health Evangelism projects, oversee the Permaculture Center and continue working with the Buipe Disciple Making Movement.
- Please pray for the Ghanaian men working at the Tamale studio on various Jesus Film, Walking
  with Jesus and Bible recordings. Please pray that they will become a totally self-sustaining studio.
  Please pray for us as we hire another studio technician. Also pray for us as we seek to provide
  video/audio training in the future. Just recently we met a videographer visiting from the US who
  seems interested in coming back and helping us with training. Also there is another man that is
  showing some interest in coming from the US to help with training.
- Please pray for Diallo and the two Muslim leaders who have accepted Christ and are attending discipleship training in Burkina Faso. Everybody at the training is from the Fulani tribe that up until now has been very resistant to the gospel.
- Please pray for the follow up to all the Kairos trainings that have been offered in Ghana. Job will
  be following up on leaders who attended the Kairos course and discuss how to make the next
  Kairos more sustainable by locals and less subsidized by foreign support. Please pray for the
  Kairos coming up in April located in Wa.
- Please pray that the process for obtaining Terry and Amy's residency permits and Moses' birth certificate and passport will be completed soon. The passports are needed for traveling to other countries to provide DMM training.
- Emmanuel, acting director for Seed Ministry while Bob and Bonnie Parker are the states, recently lost their one year old daughter in a drowning accident. Please pray for them as they grieve this great loss.

ACT #	BALANCE JANUARY 2017	\$25,245.39
	FEBRUARY DONATIONS	\$6,797.90
330	EVANGELISM: OTHER [BICYCLES FOR SHEPHERDS]	\$750.00
400	EVANGELISM: DMM'ERS [FUEL & FOOD]	\$1,093.75
410	EVANGELISM: MEDIA	\$215.00
435.7	PERM CTR	\$180.00
435-10	RECORDING PROJECT	\$1,035.00
450	COMPASSION	\$375.00
490	NAT'L CO-WORKERS	\$1,567.69
500	POSTAGE	\$6.00
661	INTERNET	\$160.00
800	TRANSPORTATION: FUEL	\$355.75
806	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$432.8
810	TRAVEL FOOD	\$105.50
820	TRAVEL TOLLS	\$2.00
830	TRAVEL LODGING	\$168.76
920	BANKING FEES	\$58.51
930	MISSION HOUSE	\$531.25
	FEBRUARY EXPENSES	\$7,284.35
	BALANCE FEBRUARY 2018	\$24,758.94

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