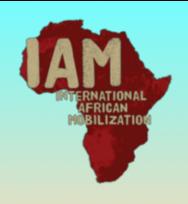


GHANA MISSION

Glorifying the Great IAM through Disciple Making Movements (DMM)

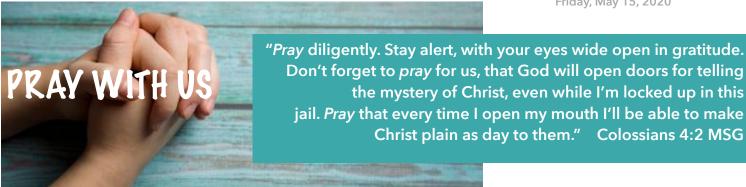
2020 March DMM Stats			
March New Groups	115	Cote d'Ivoire Network	
YTD New Groups	523	New Groups	7
March New Baptisms	550	Baptisms	45
YTD New Baptisms	1727	Togo Network	
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New Groups	87	Baptisms	8
Baptisms Benin Network New Groups Baptisms Burkina Faso Network New Groups Baptisms	435 5 29 6 41	Of course the pandemic has taken its toll on the movement but I am pleasantly surprised that there were still so many baptisms and new groups. I think next month's stats will give us a better picture of the impact of Covid 19. Pray that the DMMers are educating group leaders in new distancing and hygiene practices to protect the DMM leaders and groups.	



International African Mobilization

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PRAISES:

- Everyone on the team is safe & healthy: Odles, Grahams, DMM'ers, Tamale studio techs, Perm Ctr workers
- New Zume training and coaching has started in Mozambique, Accra, Ghana, Uganda, Sierra Leone and the US via Zoom, email, Facebook etc.
- The generosity of our daughter & son-in-law in letting us come & take over part of their house for sleeping, cooking & working. They have great internet!
- With unemployment on the rise we are grateful for the jobs our family still has during the pandemic.
- We are thankful to you our partners for allowing Disciple Making Movements to continue to multiply in Africa
- Operating remotely from the US is going very well with regular communication, bank wires and expansion of the Kingdom
- God is in control

REQUESTS:

- That the concepts taught in Zume (DMM training) via Zoom and WhatsApp, which requires good internet connections will be understood and implemented by the people
- Media2Disciple Making Movement (M2DMM) opportunity to get everything set up, for a team to help implement and for God to use this to draw unbelievers into His Kingdom. This includes the @mothertonguediscipleship Facebook page
- Health answers for Terry's weight and diabetes
- Housing for Mikayla Graham
- School teachers for Nicholas & Emma Graham
- For God to do His work through this pandemic and for the countries to open again allowing for our return to Ghana the DMMers travel to other nations to keep launching other DMMs.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



How do you "frame your life?"

If you were going to "frame your life" in these current circumstances, what would you choose for the four sides of your personal picture frame? I had to think about this recently as I prepared four talks especially for our 350 full-time workers in 50 countries worldwide. For my part, I asked them first to get all the basics down pat. Then focus on taking initiative, then communicate more/better than ever, and finally, to adapt to the context while staying true to our calling. We put these talks together in a video format so you can watch them too. Just see the playlist at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?reload=9&list=PLJM2pn8fjL_E2iGo6Vd-<u>iUdapoIxOMRB2</u>. All over the world, as you empower these workers to serve for Christ's glory for the sake of the unreached, they become your hands and feet, serving the Lord on your behalf, framing their lives in this way due to your prayers and partnership. Thank you! Doug

FINANCIALS Friday, May 15, 2020

#	DESCRIPTION	
	MARCH BALANCE	\$38,258.04
	APRIL DONATIONS:	\$7,930.00
200	BOOKS	\$12.49
240	CHR ED: EQUIPPING MISSIONARIES	\$7.35
430	EVANGELISM: DMM'ERS	\$1,836.00
435.1	RECORDING PROJECT	\$40.00
435.7	PERM CTR	\$160.00
450	COMPASSION	\$100.00
490	NAT'L CO-WORKERS	\$2,074.00
500	POSTAGE	\$166.08
600	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$9.00
661	INTERNET	\$1,182.53
800	TRANSPORTATION	\$191.95
806	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$200.00
810	TRAVEL FOOD	\$7.07
830	TRAVEL LODGING	\$100.00
900	MISC. EQUIP	\$39.99
930	MISSION HOUSE	\$200.00
	TOTAL APRIL EXPENSES	\$6,326.46
	APRIL BALANCE	\$39,861.58

I have been totally amazed with how busy we have been since our return to the US due to the virus. In addition to meeting with all the key leaders via the internet I have uploaded over 5000 audio/video files to a new resource page on our website https://internationalafricanmobilization.com/resources/ which allows people in Ghana to listen or watch the Bible in their mother tongue language on their phones. This is very important because of the high % of illiteracy in the village setting. That would have taken me years with the internet speeds available in Ghana. Also we have been learning a lot about how to use social media to reach out to people seeking Christ. I have set up a new Facebook business page, @mothertonguediscipleship and have been experimenting with Facebook ads as I celebrate the oral cultures in northern Ghana. Amy has also set up a Facebook business page to use to make disciples using social media.

Terry

AMAZING TIMES! Huh?

Isn't it amazing what is happening in our world today? That may be an odd statement when the world is in the middle of a pandemic with COVID-19, people getting sick, many dying, people losing their jobs, and businesses closing. Uncertainty is present in every situation of our lives. Will we get sick? Will we lose our jobs? When will we get to have family gatherings, church services, weddings, funerals, sporting events, parties? Will there be another wave of a mutated virus? Will life ever get back to "normal?"

Are you feeling as if your life is in a holding pattern, not going anywhere, not being able to plan anything? I don't know about you, but I'm feeling it!

As I've been in the Word and praying this month, God has been showing me again more lessons of His "upside down" Kingdom. I have been reminded: "To become a leader, be a servant" [Matt 20:24-28]; "To truly find life, die to self" [Matt 16:24-25]; "To get back at your enemy, love him." [Matt 5:43-44]; "To become rich, give money away" [Luke 6:38] All these, and many more examples of God's Kingdom are upside down to what the world teaches us.

Just so, are these times. We are reminded of our new normal every time we go out of the house with masks, lysol and hand sanitizer, keeping our distance and wondering "will this be the day I come down with the virus?" But, God is showing me something more. These times are ripe for the Gospel. Whenever our cultural norms are disrupted, we begin asking questions and with questions come opportunities to share the hope we have in Christ our Savior. We do not have to fear because we know the creator of the universe and everything in it. We have hope of a new eternal home, we are just here for a small time.

Here's a couple of things that been happening in the Ghana ministry because of this disruption:

- 1. We have been able to connect with groups of believers in several African countries who had expressed an interest in learning how to be disciple-makers, but never had the time to invest in it. I have now started an online group in Mozambique and Ghana and positioning three other African national believers to begin groups and Terry is coaching several others.
- **2.** The Media2Disciple-Making-Movements using social media. I trained for in 2017 is now beginning to happen. We need partners for this, but implementation is coming.

Thank you for your trust in us, faithful support, faithful prayers and encouragement. We are in the USA right now, but the work is continuing because of YOU! Thank you! Let us know how you are doing, how God is working in the middle of all this and how we can pray for you! God Bless!

Amy

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ONLINE GIFTS:

It is now possible to give to the Ghana Mission online: http://www.mynorthside.com/ - "online giving"