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“Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end.” Ephesians 3: 20-21

The words of Ephesians 3:20 express my heart of what happened in Ethiopia this past month. God did “exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.” I have been going on mission trips since the mid - 1980’s, but I have never been a part of anything like God did on this mission to Ethiopia. Holy Ghost fire brought over 11,000 precious souls to Jesus Christ in salvation. We conducted crusade services at night with over 25,000 in attendance.



But the events that spoke to me more than anything was the “street preaching” which we did in the villages and towns outside the large city of Awassa. This is something I had never done before. I would stop at different places as I walked the streets and a crowd of 100-200 would gather together. Then I would preach a simple message on how to be saved. There were over 3,000 people who were saved through this street preaching. I had never been a part of a move of God like this before in my life. Let me share with you a couple of stories.

I was preaching to a large crowd of about 200 people on the street. In the crowd was a Muslim man. When I called on the people to call upon the Lord for salvation, this Muslim man prayed out loud for Jesus Christ to save him. When he finished praying, he then took his Muslim hat off and threw it on the ground. That is what happens when a person comes to Christ, they turn from all of their gods!!

Another experience I will forever remember is one evening I was preaching along a lake front road where there were large crowds. There was a “street boy” about 13 - 14 years old. This boy was selling a drug called “Khat”, pronounced “cot”. This drug is similar to marijuana. I had my interpreter, Joshua, start a conversation with him. Then I shared the gospel with him and he was gloriously saved! He threw the drugs to the ground. A few minutes later, he brought another “street boy” to us. He was chewing the drug “Khat”. He said he wanted to become a Christian. After sharing the gospel with him, he was saved. He then spit all of the drugs out of his mouth and rinsed his mouth with water before praying. But that is not the end of the story. This took place on Tuesday. Then on Saturday morning after feeding over 3,000 meals, these two young boys walked up to me with big smiles on their faces. They said since we got saved we have not used or sold drugs. I embraced them in a big bear hug and just praised God for saving them.



One more story that I believe explains why all of this took place. On Friday night I was asked to come and preach at a church prayer meeting. When I got there, they had been praying for over two hours. I could hardly believe my eyes - there were over 4,000 people there. I preached for about an hour and 25 people got saved. Can you imagine in the United States where 4,000 people would come together for a prayer meeting on a Friday night? They might come to a ballgame but not to a prayer meeting. That is the reason God did what He did in Ethiopia. **It was the result of prayer!**

Reflections:

1. The gospel is powerful! Romans 1:16
2. Find where God is moving and go with Him.
3. God responds to hearts calling in prayer.
4. Will we in America ever get desperate for God?
5. God is looking for people who want to reach people for Christ!



Thank you for your prayers and financial support. To God be the glory!

My schedule for 2013 is full, with 50 different revivals/crusades. I am now booking meetings for 2014. If you are interested in having me at your church next year, you can contact me at 864-616-9547, or e-mail me at don@donwhitt.org.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

| JULY | | AUGUST | |
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| 7-11 | Doctor's Fork Baptist Church Harrodsburg, KY | 2-3 | Hillcrest Baptist Church, Men's Conference, Anniston AL |
| 14 | Rice Memorial Baptist Church, Harvest Day, Greenwood SC | 4 | Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Harvest Day, Alexandria AL |
| 21-24 | West Hills Baptist Church Lebanon TN | 9-10 | First Baptist Church, Men's Conference, Paducah KY |
| 28 | Temple Baptist Church Milan TN | 11-14 | Long Heights Baptist Church McKenzie TN |
| | | 16-17 | East Tennessee Men's Conference Rockwood TN |
| | | 18 | Bountyland Baptist Church Harvest Day, Loudon TN |
| | | 24-25 | ICoconnect Weekend, Church at Quail Creek, Amarillo TX |