



WORLD WIDE NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONS

“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.” - 2 Timothy 2:2

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Greetings in the Name of our Wonderful Lord,

We rejoice in the blessings of the Lord as He continues to work through our deputation ministry. What a blessing it is to share our great burden for West Africa and then see the hearts of God’s people also begin to share that burden. We are so thankful for seeds that have been planted, souls that have been saved, and decisions made for Christian service.

Liberia

The situation in Liberia is only getting worse. The death toll keeps rising, and the number infected by the Ebola is increasing at a rapid pace. For a while, it was pretty well contained in the Monrovia area. (*Monrovia is the capital of Liberia with over 1,000,000 people of the 4,000,000 in Liberia.*) However, it is now beginning to spread into other parts of the country. This is no surprise as it is necessary for people to travel to Monrovia for food and supplies. Also, the unavoidable interaction in the street markets has helped in the spread of the disease.

The cost of food continues to rise! Because of the response to last month’s newsletter, **we have been able to send \$700 to help with the rising food costs.** There is still a great need for more assistance. **The cost of rice alone has more than doubled in price and is still rising!** They are so grateful for the assistance and are trusting God to meet their needs spiritually and physically.

*If you or your church would like to give a gift toward the Liberia Relief, you can do so through our mission agency (World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions – P.O. Box 725 – Kings Mountain, NC; 28086 – Please note that it is for the **Liberia Relief Fund**). They have set up a special account for this purpose. **ALL** funds donated will go for the help of providing food to the churches in Liberia. As soon as funds are received, they will be sent to our faithful and trustworthy pastors in Liberia for the purchase and distribution of rice and other foods.*

The good news is that our churches in Liberia continue to be filled and people stand outside the building to hear the Gospel of Salvation and Hope. Souls are being saved and lives changed!

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Ghana

We praise God that the Ebola has not yet spread to Ghana! The ministries are going well and souls have been saved. We just received word from our pastor in Kumasi. Pastor Charles Boachie writes: *"The three day revival we had last week was very encouraging for the first time. The members that attended shot up, and we did remember you and the mission in our prayers. The theme of the revival was 'The Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace' – Exodus 14:14. We are also praying for our brothers and sisters who are in Iraq and Liberia for God protection."*

West Africa Bible Colleges

The Ebola has greatly affected our New Testament Baptist Bible Colleges in West Africa. The Ghana school is well into their third semester and doing very well. However, because of the Ebola in Liberia, the post office has closed and our materials did not arrive. So, our two schools and 37 students will miss this entire semester and possibly the next semester. This is very disappointing to the students and to me. However, Faith Bible Institute, from which we receive our materials, has been very understanding and very gracious during this situation.

Praise God that our hope is in the Lord; not post offices, air travel, governments, or militaries! We trust in the blessed Hope of our Marvelous Savior, Who is our strength and refuge in times of trouble!

With sincere appreciation for prayers, support, and relief gifts,

Rick & Brenda Osborn
Your missionaries to West Africa