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Dear friends,

from 8 to 12 January we had our first evangelistic outreach this year, which took place in **Holeta, Ethiopia**. It is part of a region that is almost 100% Orthodox and where, in a different town, we had already once been refused a public location. This time, an influential businessman who is a believer helped us to get a location.

Holeta is marked by witchcraft. The full gospel has been there for about 25 years now. In the first three days, the response did not meet our expectations, but on Saturday and Sunday we had wonderful meetings and many people came to the services. A total of 114 people came forward to make a decision for Jesus for the first time and 35 to recommit their lives to Him.

The pastors had set up a tent in which people who were afflicted by evil spirits could be prayed for. About 400 people were set free from demons and evil spirits. As soon as demons started to manifest, these people were taken to the tent and the demons were driven out. Jesus said: *"In my name they will drive out demons."* Mark 16:17. *"So he travelled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons."* Mark 1:39. If we add these people to the number, more than 500 people were touched and changed by God.

Sometimes you pray really intensely, fervently and extra long because, after all, you want something to happen; and yet the results are meagre. Another time, you pray briefly and simply and the effects are amazing. That is how we felt the last evening in Holeta. I preached about baptism in the Holy Spirit and many received the Holy Spirit and prayed in new tongues. After that, we had a Holy Spirit festival and the people danced and praised God.

Right at the end, we just quickly prayed for the sick and heard some incredible testimonies:

A little girl had fallen down while playing and had had severe pain in her hip since then, meaning she could not walk properly. She asked her mother to take her to hospital. The mother did not have the money for hospital fees and brought her daughter to the outreach. Through a simple prayer, the girl was made well again. **Picture on right.**



One woman who had had five tumours in her abdomen came and showed that they had disappeared.

Picture on left.

A woman who had a distended abdomen, as if she were pregnant, was healed. Whatever it was, it disappeared. **Picture on right.**



One man had, for a long time, had such severe headaches that his sight was also affected by it. After the prayer, the pain was gone and he could see clearly again.



One woman testified that she had been completely insane and now she was normal again.

A young woman had been afflicted by evil spirits for a long time; she was restless and could not sleep. Now she is free and has peace in her heart.

A little boy had a stiff index finger that he can now move. **Picture on left.**

Another child had one growth in her abdomen and another on the back of her neck. Both growths had disappeared. **Picture on right.**

One man explained through tears that he had had an open wound for 12 years that had been very painful, and that he was now healed. **Picture on right.**



A mother brought her little child who had never stood up and never spoken. For the first time, the child was able to stand and made sounds. The mother had suffered from kidney disease since she was eight and was also healed. It was noticeable that many people in this region suffered from gastritis and kidney troubles and were healed. **Picture on left.**



Many people testified that their pain had gone. *"It was our pains he carried"*, it says in Isaiah 53. Jesus has delivered us from pain.

Furthermore, two people were healed at home, since they were too sick to come to the meeting. They were both called by telephone and the sick received prayer for healing over the phone.

Two days after my return to Frankfurt, our co-worker Dereje called me and said that the leading Orthodox priest of Holeta had just been to the Assemblies of God office in Addis Ababa and had got saved in Holeta. Although the priest had not actually been at the service, he heard the sermon from some distance away via the loudspeakers.

For this year we are planning 12 evangelistic campaigns in Ethiopia. Our next outreach is taking place from 26 February to 2 March. A very big thank you to everyone who supports us.

Best regards,
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