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FAMILY TO ETHIOPIA

ETHIOPIA SHALL SOON STRETCH OUT HER HANDS UNTO GOD. PSALM 68:31



## *“Even if I Starve”*

The very first Sunday we were gone from our church in Ethiopia some of our faithful people invited their friends to come to church with them.

Two ladies who came for the very first time trusted Christ as their Savior! One of the ladies is named Fantu.

When Fantu got saved, she began to face some persecution from her Ethiopian Orthodox family. They were not happy with her decision so they began to withhold any help for her.

Her response: “EVEN IF I STARVE I’M NOT GOING BACK.” God has now provided the shelter and food she needs. What a testimony! Pray for Fantu as she continues to grow in her relationship with the Lord!

## STAYING BUSY AMIDST THE PANDEMIC

“*Redeeming the time, because the days are evil (Ephesians 5:16).*” What a wonderful privilege being able to invest our time in eternal things! March was full of lots of in-person meetings in FL, NC, VA, PA, NJ, and KS, even though some meetings were through video in empty auditoriums. A highlight was seeing Pastor and Mrs. Bushy in GA. Pastor Bushy was my childhood pastor who baptized me after I was saved! We then traveled to AZ where God has provided a place to stay while we wait out the pandemic.



We have been able to be with churches digitally in multiple states in April. We are thankful for this technology, but still missing seeing friends and reporting in-person. I also had to cancel a short scheduled trip to Ethiopia in April. Due to the coronavirus, Ethiopia has now declared a state-of-emergency

and indefinitely postponed their national elections. Just like the churches in America, we have temporarily suspended our normal services there. We have been sending a new sermon and kid’s lesson every week that is being given to our church family. We are busy working away on the necessary papers to get back into Ethiopia on a long-term basis.

Please pray for that process to be completed over the next few months so we can return to our beloved Ethiopia! I am also busy

researching and writing a new Bible institute course and have been able to help with some maintenance around the church we are staying at. What a blessing to serve the Lord during these changing times! Thank you for faithfully investing into eternal things! We love you all and thank God for each of you!

*For His Harvest in Ethiopia,*

- Joshua, Ruth, Jeremiah, Joel and Jonan