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MY MESSAGE

"Here Am I Lord, Send Me"

The greatest missionary question ever posed in the Bible from the throne of the one who is exalted was the one recorded in Isaiah 6:8 "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" We know the story very well and so many of us are fascinated by it. I am amazed by the promptness, the fearlessness, the determination and the exclamation on the part of Isaiah to respond the way he did. "Here am I, Send me!"

The major Prophet in those days responded to the call of God without consulting family or friends. He did not know what that calling meant and the message he was to carry and to which people. He never considered the complexities and all the hidden issues involved in that assignment. Yet, the Prophet responded in the affirmative and with deep emotion. The good Prophet was deeply convinced that the God who had called him is a faithful and a powerful God and so he had no fears.

When Isaiah was finally told what his mission was, I am sure that he became somewhat concerned (Is. 6:9-10). Out of deep concern Isaiah "Then said, Lord, how long?" And the Lord replied and said to Isaiah, until the mission intended to bring repentance and transformation was accomplished. This tells us that whatever God has set out to do cannot be discouraged by our passion and personal desire until the will of God is fully accomplished.

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THE DR. ANN BATES MEDICAL BUILDING The Future of AfriHOPE Hospital is in God's Hands

Building a mission hospital in Ghana is a huge challenge with so many hurdles along the way. Securing documentation and certification to operate is a bureaucratic nightmare. The government provides little or no form of support or incentive for beginners engaged in mission work. Doing non-profit mission work does not strike any cord that prompts anyone to be moved to help with anything. Working in the rural areas among poor and neglected populations is in some cases considered a sin which requires forgiveness of some sort.

Like the Prophet Isaiah, we had no idea when we responded to the call of God to serve in the rural areas in Ghana. When we became aware of all the obstacles and hurdles, we asked God, how long will this go on until something good happens to our efforts? I am sure that you want to know God's answer to our question. His response has always been straightforward: "**Until I am glorified!**"

How? By reaching one person at a time through our labor of love

Where? Exactly where we have been placed in that rural community. When? Now!

Every gain is by the grace of God and not by anything any of us has done. Although, we are confronted by so many obstacles, we have received more blessings from God than all the obstacles we have encountered. God's blessings have drowned the devil's misfortunes.

On October 10, 2023. AfriHOPE Missions Hospital was accredited to accept Ghana's National Health Insurance

On January 7, 2024, We organized a free surgical outreach for about 10 people who came from the villages around. The surgeries which included hernia repair, lipoma removal and other minor surgeries were performed by a local surgeon and they were very successful. We treat all other illnesses.



GFV Missionaries Arrive in Ghana



It's Meal time at House of HOPE Guest House



Patients Eye Care at AfriHOPE Missions Hospital



Indigenous Eye Clinic: March 25-29, 2024 A team of 12 short-term missionaries from Great Faith Vision of Pennsylvania came to AfriHOPE Hospital to conduct free Eye Clinic. It was a blast and the blessings were unimaginable.

The 3 Optometrists and nine support staff together with about 20 staff and volunteers from AfriHOPE Missions Hospital examined and treated 758 patients.

The team brought with them eye medications that cost several thousands of dollars and those medications were dispensed free of charge to patients. Except for the bureaucratic problems of some bureaucratic institutions of Ghana, we would have received a lot more of donated eye drops from the United States, but all glory to God. Great Faith Vision ended up buying most of the eye drops they dispensed in Ghana. 400 out of the 758 patients seen during the 5 day period received prescription eye glasses which were made in the USA and sent to Ghana. Those glasses have since been distributed to those for whom they were made.

Great Faith Vision team stayed at House of HOPE which used to be the Orphanage a few years ago. They helped pay for air-conditioners to be installed which made living there more comfortable, although, just for a couple of days.

GFV has also sponsored a tricycle which will help transport staff and patients from the nearby villages and towns to and from the hospital.

The food was great and so was the fellowship during breakfast and dinner at the House. The Caterers were Mrs. Yeboah-Awusi and Mrs. Kusi Boachie and they were assisted by Mrs. Bridget and Ms. Regina both from AfriHOPE Church.

Our trip to Cape Coast Castle to experience some of Ghana's ancient history was quite interesting and emotional for some members of the team. Besides, it was more educational and quite informative than anything else.

WE NEED SHORT-TERM MEDICAL MISSIONARIES: Doctors & Nurses, Surgeons & Other Specialists

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