

PROGRESS REPORT OF ETHIOPIAN KALE HEYWOT CHURCH MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOLS (HUB SCHOOLS)

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Ethiopian Kale Heywot Church missionary training schools are training cutting-edge local evangelists and cross-cultural missionaries for the ripe harvest of God.

Since its establishment in 2010, 1,584 missionaries, evangelists, and mission mobilizers have been trained in 20 centers. Even though the training was suspended for three and half years from 2014-2017 it plays a great role in producing and placing missionaries/evangelists among the unengaged, unreached, and least-reached people groups of Ethiopia.

The schools enroll students not only from Ethiopian Kale Heywot Churches but also from other like-minded denominations. The students are local and national evangelists, university graduates, and lecturers. After the training, the graduates serve as evangelists, missionaries, mission mobilizers, and coordinators of evangelism in their districts.

The training implements a three-fold philosophy of education: know, be, and do. The implicit and explicit curriculum designed for the training provides opportunities for the students to shape and develop their character, enhance their spiritual lives, and give knowledge and skills to evangelism, discipleship, and church planting by adapting to the new culture.

Currently, we have nine schools that are located in strategic places of the unengaged, unreached, and least reached people groups of the country. In the South we have Hallaba and Wolkite schools which target the Hallaba, Kebena, Wolene, and other Guraghe peoples; in the South-East we have Goba School that targets Bale Oromo Muslims, Arsi Oromo, and Wara Dube people groups; at the West South, we have Bonga and Konta schools that target Kafa, Mienit, Nao, Chara, Bacha, and other neighboring peoples. In the southwest, we have Jinka and Turmi schools that target the sixteen people groups of the South Omo Region. In the West, we have Dombidolo school which focuses on the Wollega people group. At the capital, Addis Ababa we have the Bole School that targets immigrants from Somalia and Eritrea.

This year (2024) we graduated 213 missionaries (evangelists).



Konta Hub School 2nd Batch Graduates



Hallaba Hub School 4th Batch Graduates



Goba Hub School 8th Batch Graduates



Bole Hub School 3rd batch graduates



Wolkite Hub School 4th batch Graduates



Bonga Hub School 6th Batch Graduates



Jinka Hub School 3rd Batch Graduates

Students' Field Practice Ministry Outcomes

The training of the schools is conducted for one year (six months in the classroom and six months in the field for practicum). The students come every other month to the center and stay for one month and take four courses. They do these six times a year. During the field practice, they do evangelism, discipleship, and church planting.

The impact of the training schools in reaching the unreached and mobilizing the churches for missions is great. Many closed doors and hearts are being opened by the fervent prayers and contextualized evangelism of the students. The strongholds of the enemy are being demolished and the captives are being freed. Pythons and snakes that were worshiped by witches are killed and some of the witches and their followers have believed in Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. As a result, 92 churches and preaching sites are being established.

WITNESSED	BELIEVED	BAPTIZED	DISCIPLESHIP AND FOLLOWUP CLASSES ATTENDEES	DELIVERED from Demons and HEALED from DISEASES	CHURCHES PLANTED & PREACHING POINTS ESTABLISHED
42,292	6,243	2,932	5,227	2,249	92

Testimonials

The training schools focus on developing the character and spiritual lives of the students. These are done through various activities (serving one another, cleaning, gardening, etc.) and spiritual disciplines. While the students are in the school they fast and pray the whole day Monday. Because they take the practices to their respective ministry sites they are experiencing new things among the people they minister. They become bold enough to pray for those under demon possessions and longtime sickness. The Lord is using this to bring people to salvation through Jesus Christ. The churches are revived and separated individuals are being reconciled. The Lord is confirming the preaching of the Word by miracles in the marketplaces. Believers are being revived to learn the word of God and to pray continuously.

Raised from the dead



My name is Evangelist Bekele Guracha, a student of Konta-Amaya Missionary Training School. As soon as I got out of school after the third training session on February 15/2024, I was booked for a preaching on Sunday service at a local church called Dupa Kechkecha Kalehiwot Church. As I was walking to the place I was praying and said to God, "God, I have been serving before you until today and I am tired; I have no helper but you; please show me your glory and power in my life again." When I arrived to the area, I met an elderly man and asked to check the place, he told me I was on the right track. While I was walking, the man who told me the way came back and said, "Evangelist, please come back, a two-year-old child has died in our village. His family is Christian, so let us go together and comfort them." I was willing to go with him.

As I was walking with him God spoke to me saying, "Go, the child will wake up." I believed it was God who spoke to me and decided to obey what He wants me to do. When I arrived, the place was crowded. Some were crying. According to the direction of my Lord, I took Mesfin Matsana, the pastor of the church with me and I said to the crowd, "The child will be raised, let you go out." Some of them came out laughing at me.

The pastor and I started to pray for the boy to wake up. Our prayer continued for about 30 minutes. Later, while we were praying, I breathed on the top boy's head and navel and said, "Wake up". The boy opened his eyes and got up. He rose from the dead in God's miraculous way and operation. Glory, praise, worship and thanks be to the Lord forever for His astounding deed. The boy is still alive and in peace. Many are glorifying God to this day for what He has done to the family. The boy's name is Ashenafi Hadaro. The meaning of his name is 'winner'.



Sheik Abdulmajid Haji Umar

My name is Shek Abdul Majid Haji Umar. I was born in 1988 in Harana Buluk of Bale region. When I was seven years old I began to read Qoran. When I finished high school I attended Islamic religious schooling for sixteen years. After 16 years of Islamic religious schooling, I returned to my home area and started teaching Muslim students from other areas and local children.



I went to Jimma, Goma district to study the Qur'an and when I was there, one day a group of Christians came to us and tried to preach the gospel. But we refused to listen to them and snatched their Bibles and beat them badly. After that, I began to read that book (the Bible we snatched from them). After five years One day during the fasting of

Ramadan, on the fourth day, in my dream, a man dressed in white came and said, "I am Almasi Isa, I am the way. Did you not read from that book?" When he appeared to me, I wanted to believe, and then I went to the minister of the protestant Church. However, he refused to talk to me because he was afraid of me thinking that I would hurt him. I went to him again another day, this time he was willing to talk with me. In this way, I accepted the Lord Jesus Christ in 2013.

After two years I witnessed for my fiancé Leyla Sheik Kedir, she also believed Jesus in secret. Then we got married. After we got married people heard about our faith in the Lord Jesus and started fighting against us, this happened in 2016. Then we came to Robe town to live in hiding. Since then we have been worshiping and serving God with my wife.

I preached the gospel to many Muslims, and most believed Jesus Christ in secret. Now God has blessed us and we have 2 children.

I attended missionary training at Goba Hub School and graduated in July 2024. I want to serve my Lord in reaching the lost people with the gospel, especially Muslims. So, support me with your prayers. Thank you!

Shalo Tola

He was born and raised in Shalo East Arsi Zone, Munsira District, Ocha village. After completing high school, he graduated with a diploma in Natural Science and then a degree in economics. He was hired and served as a principal in Bati district primary school for five years. While at work, he was diagnosed with blood cancer and was bedridden for two years. His feet and hands were hurting badly. He spent more than 330,000.00 Birr in treatment to get rid of his disease while visiting famous doctors in Ethiopia. He could not recover from his illness. His friends who are in the Lord said "Unless you believe, this disease will not leave

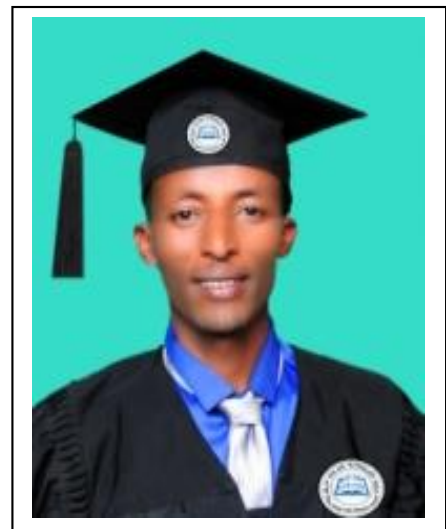
you.” Even though they preached the gospel to him, he did not believe for a while. Then his friends decided to pray for him to be healed, and took him to a minister and made him to pray for him, and he was cured immediately.

Although he was cured of his illness, he still did not accept the Lord Jesus as his personal savior. After recovering from the disease, he competed in Shala and started working at the revenue office, but the disease relapsed to him as before. In September 2021, when his friends advised him that this disease will kill him, he accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal savior.

Because all of his parents, siblings and relatives are radical Muslims, he faced severe persecution. They thought that since he is an educated person, the young people would listen to him and converted to Christianity. Therefore they had been threatening to kill him and remove him from their village and descendants.

Later, he took refuge in the Shone Burkitu Kale Heywot Church. There believers and ministers followed him up and nurtured in the Word of God. He has been travelling from village to village to give his testimony and preach the gospel to Muslims. Because of his testimony many have believed in Jesus.

Because the church has seen his commitment and ministry result they decided to send him to Goba Hub School so that he can be trained for missions work. He graduated in July 2024.



Samples of the students' field practice results



New believers through Shalo Tola's ministry (Goba Hub School)



Witnessed by Solomon (Halaba Hub School)



Baptism by student Tesfaye (Goba Hub School)

Prayer and Praise Requests

1. Praise the Lord for God's grace and provision to graduate 213 students.
2. Praise the Lord for the new converts and the newly planted churches by the graduates at various places in the country.
3. Many new churches are being planted by the students and graduates ministry. Please pray for the provision to build prayer houses.
4. The need to start missionary training centers is huge. Please pray for God's direction and provision.