



## SERVING WITH

Harvest Baptist Missions  
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- **Planting Churches**
- **Training Gospel Ministers**
- **Establishing a Bible Institute**
- **Establishing a Christian School**
- **Ministering Unto the Orphans**
- **Assisting with Micro-Finance / Job Skill Training**

Dear Pastor and Brethren,

January 2018

Our family and missionary team would like to wish you a blessed new year. May the Lord continue to be with you as you serve Him.

Allow me to begin with a bad news: my mom passed away on Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup> 2017 at the age of 82. We are planning her burial on January 27<sup>th</sup> at Kétau, our home town where she was living until her death. She made a profession of faith 30 years ago as I witnessed to her; but ended up attending the Catholic Church under the influence of my dad who also was under the influence of an uncle.



Joash has just completed his first year in Canada. We are struggling with his school fees and hoping that there will be a scholarship avenue for him. This picture we took on Christmas day gives you an idea about how fast Lemuel and Eliel are growing. Lemuel got baptized on December 31<sup>st</sup>. When Justine and I listened to his testimony of salvation, both of us had the assurance that he was indeed saved. We are so thankful to the Lord for saving him.



We thank the Lord for: (1) keeping our family and co-workers and their families alive, (2) meeting our daily needs, (3) the souls saved and baptized, (4) and many blessings and achievements in 2017. Here is a statistical chart of attendance, profession of faith, baptism and wedding in the Churches we are planting. We praise God and give Him all the glory for turning our endeavor together with you into such a result.

We are making progress (even though slowly) on the church building construction at **Word of Life Baptist Church, Lassa**. Our goal is to put the cover by April and then launch an evangelism campaign in view of having inaugural church services. Please be in prayer with us for the Lord's provision of about \$4,500.

CHURCH	Sunday Morning			Sunday Evening	Wednesday Evening	Baptism	Profession of Faith	Wedding
	A	C	Total					
Savior Baptist Church	261	148	409	103	119	47	160	04
Good News Baptist Church	132	81	213	71	56	05	227	01
Good Shepherd Baptist Church	87	74	161	59	58	11	153	01
Conqueror Baptist Church	93	98	191		44	12	24	
Faith Baptist Temple	72	54	126	44	39	04	14	
Redeemer Baptist Church	43	59	102		44	20	36	
Hope Baptist Church	30	46	76		53	11	14	

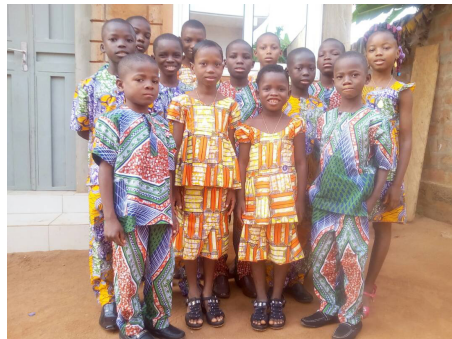
**Hope Baptist Church, Dapaong** will turn just one year in February. From December 8-10, our co-worker, Bro. Raphael and two men from Savior Baptist Church visited with the brethren here and had a good time with them. Eight (8) persons from the church and seven from other Baptist Churches in the area attended the Sunday school teachers' training they held on Saturday. Eleven (11) new converts got baptized, making a total membership of twenty two.



Sunday morning church services

In the course of this year, we want to be able to start an effective church planting work at Kétao, where we currently have an embryonic Church we call the **Way of Heaven Baptist Church**. We are asking for the Lord's provision in this respect.

Give thanks to the Lord with us for the three (3) girls and ten (10) boys at Redeemer Baptist House. It takes about \$600 to meet their overall monthly needs. Please, consider being a sponsor of one of these kids. In any case, any gift will be highly appreciated. We would like you to remember them in your prayers.



The Redeemer House kids on Jan. 1st



Container from the Wings Bearing Precious Seed

We give thanks to the Lord for the container of 4,000 Bibles, 2,331 New Testaments, 106,330 John & Romans and 980,000 Gospel tracts we (three missionaries) received on December 21, 2017 from **Wings Bearing Precious Seed**. A big thank to Bro Allen Johnson, the Director of the Wings Bearing Precious Seed and all those our Lord used to make this happen. It is our prayer that these precious seeds in our hands be fruitful to the glory of our God.

In the area of Micro-Finance / Skill Training, we have been able to finance seven (7) projects in the course of 2017.

We are currently working on resuming our Bible Institute very soon after a long break.

We are prayerfully expecting Dr. Steve Williams, HBM missions' Director, his wife Kris and their daughter Abbey in April 2018 on the occasion of Savior Baptist Church temple dedication and the Church autonomy. Bro. Steve and his wife will be conducting their second marriage conference and Bro. Steve will be teaching on some biblical counseling issues. He is also expected to preach in our missions' churches. It is our prayer that the Lord provides for their trip.

We keep pressing on toward our goal of leading our Missions Churches to autonomy by 2020.

We thank you all for your continued manifold support. We appreciate the Christmas gifts and the cards some of you sent unto us. When we get to Heaven, both you and us, will discover the whole result and reward of our labor in the Lord's great work. Thank you so much for your faithfulness in this endeavor.

*The Laodima Family*