

NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST CHURCH OF MONROVIA



To: The beloved Brethren:

Holy greetings come to you in the peerless name of our awesome Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ of Nazareth who loved us and gave Himself for the atonement of our deadly sins on Calvary Tree some 2000 years ago.

First of all, we would like to begin this newsletter with a heartfelt gratitude to the almighty God through whose grace and mercy we have actualized tremendous progress in the gospel field in the small West African state of Liberia over the past few years of our existence. It will always be interesting to note that the Holy Spirit is leaving no stone unturned in leading us into active evangelism and leading many sinners to Christ through the constant preaching of the Word.

Second, we always have the feeling that we would be labeled as ungrateful if we fail to acknowledge and appreciate our mutual partnership with Ark-International Mission for her constant moral, prayer, and financial support over past few years of our acquaintance. And this is why it is always our prayer and wishes that the good Lord grants this mission more graces so that it wouldn't grow weary in the service of Christ. Bravo!! And remember that your labor is not in vain in the Lord!

SPOTLIGHTS ON NTBC MINISTRIES:

Be it known that we are always humbled and thankful for the manifold spiritual blessings that the Lord has showered upon us by multiplying our church's Para-ministries through which the gospel's message is being propagated and heard on a regular basis: Evangelism & Church planting, Bible School, Christian Academy, medical mission, Radio, and a Relief program. And we have the feeling that news emerging from these ministries, if well communicated to you, will bring

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joy into your heart and further indicate to you a way to pray for us. And this is why we thought it prudent to orderly bring you to book news emanating from each of them in this newsletter:

A. THE GREAT COMMISSION

As you may be aware our church's local mission is firmly footed upon five-fold objectives around which all our works go: 1. the evangelization of inhabitants of the unreached rural and urban communities of Liberia. 2. Training and sending local missionaries on the gospel field both internally and externally 3. Partnering with individuals and churches of like-faith to train, send, and support local missionaries out for evangelism and planting of healthy Bible-believing churches; also, to construct modest church buildings in most needed communities. 4. Seeking and meeting transportation needs of missionaries serving in remote rural communities. 5. Rendering minimum monthly financial support to local missionaries

And because we have faithfully focused on the implementation of these fundamental objectives and strategies, the Spirit of God is leaving no stone unturned in advancing the gospel through our ministries. And this is why we actively remain supportive to ten (10) local churches which have already been established through some of our deacons and student/pastors over the past 12 years. Visitations are constantly made to further spiritually strengthen new believers of those newly planted churches; also, the local missionaries and church planters monthly meet in a designated church for fellowship around the Word in order to get revived spiritually for the works they are called to do by help of the Holy Spirit. June's retreat was held at Redemption Baptist Fellowship of Fendell Community, Lower Monsterrado County. The street meeting conducted during this fellowship brought the gospel to the hearings of many unsaved and saved people. It will interest you to know that fifty (50) unsaved people made a profession of faith in Christ as their Lord and Savior and 30 rededications were made. Since the fellowship and meeting, a lot of people have recommitted their services to the Lord in the church according to Brother Ezekiel Wamah (A student/pastor) who is planting and pastoring the church.

More besides, our most recent meeting was held on 9th of July at 2nd New Testament Baptist Church located at the Bible College's campus and is currently pastored by Pastor J. Emmanuel Toe, a recent graduate of our Bible College. Again, the meeting told the gospel in the ears of many people, and there were 60

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professions of faith in Christ as Savior. Praise the Lord! And the men were greatly revived after the teaching on the topic: The “Importance of the gospel ministry” text, II Timothy 4:5. It will further interest you to note that reports received from the various fields indicate that there were 150 professions of faith in Christ and 75 people rededicated their lives to Christ during the months of May and June 2021. Praise the Lord!

And your heart will further rejoice over the baptism of Archie Jallah. He received his believer’s baptism on July 2, 2021 at New Testament Baptist Church. Brother Jallah never got saved while attending a Pentecostal Charismatic church since age 9. But at God’s own appointed time, while listening to our radio program named: ‘New Testament Baptist Bible Hour’, he clearly heard a detailed explanation of the gospel of salvation message; he took down my number and immediately called me after the program to direct him to my location. And he was directed to our residence, and he came seeking for more explanation of the gospel of salvation. And without any further hesitation, he was thoroughly led through God’s plan of salvation; and immediately he trusted Christ as his Lord and Savior in tears on 2nd February 2021. And since then, he has never missed a Bible Study, Sunday school or any church meetings at NTBC. And before his baptism, he gave this testimony, *“I have attended a Pentecost church since my childhood days but I was still lost because I didn’t know Christ and what he did for on the cross; but I am thankful to God for Pastor Jesse who is preaching the real true message of salvation in Liberia. And since he led me Christ, many positive changes have taken place in my life and I currently have a joy in my soul that I am ready to go to heaven when I die.”* Praise the Lord!!

B. New Testament Baptist Bible College

This ministry was established in 2010 to serve as a vehicle whereby men and women will be properly trained for the gospel and church’s ministries in Liberia. Since its inception, it has survived many challenging times by the grace of God; and last November, its fourth commencement convocation was held at the edifice of New Testament Baptist Church at which time five (5) students graduated, and are currently serving in various ministries of the church. And it will interest you to know that after surviving through multiple challenges over a couple of years, this ministry is now receiving tremendous blessing from the Lord: the campus has been relocated from our church’s edifice to its own space campus with eight (8)

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additional spacious classrooms created. The first semester on the main campus ended in June of 2021 with 20 students enrolled; and according to a recent survey of new student's applications, 100 students including the old ones will be enrolled if the dormitory building is completed before the reopening in September of this year. Additionally, we are running two (2) separate programs now for the pastors-in-training: Christian Education and Biblical Studies. And currently we have twelve (12) local teachers teaching. And hopefully classes for the next semester will commence on 25th of September 2021. But in spite of these progresses, there are still numerous challenges confronting the running of the institution: the regular compensations of faculty and staffers; the entire completion and furnishing of the various classrooms, and setting up the library and computer laboratory are amidst the challenges facing us. Therefore, we are praying for the Lord's provision of funds to enable us to quickly implement the proposed library and computer Lab project below before the resumption of classes in September.

Project Title: Library and Computer Lab project

NO	FOOD ITEMS	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
1	Planks (assorted)	50 pcs	\$5.00	\$ 250.00
2	Plywood	20	25.00	500.00
3.	Desktop computers	20 pcs	150.00	650.00
4	Nails (assorted	10 cartons	35.00	350.00
5	Labor cost			350.00
5	Transportation costs			100.00
6	Grand total			<u>\$2,200.00</u>

C. Emily Duncan Baptist Medical Clinic

As it is clearly seen in Scripture, Christ's mission on earth was to seek and to save that which was lost, Luke 19:10. However, he was involved in various ministries which uniquely enhanced the smooth preaching of the kingdom of God; evidently Christ healed many kinds of diseases and sickness; he raised the dead from the grave and made the crippled to walk. Therefore, to address some minor medical needs of sick people of our church and surrounding communities, and in response to maintaining Christ's healing ministry in our locality, the New Testament Baptist Medical Clinic was established in 2010. But after its inception, it was initially housed in a rental building for a few years. And because it was difficult financially to maintain the building, we thought it prudent to halt its operation in 2015 until we can acquire a property of our own in order to erect a building on it for the

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continuation of this medical ministry. And after few years of prayer, the Lord connected to us Ark-International Mission through its founder, Pastor William Duncan. It is amazing that ark-international provided funds for the property and the construction of the building in 2021; therefore the name of the clinic facility has been changed to Emily Duncan Baptist Medical Clinic. Thankfully the construction works of the building have been completed and 10 qualified and competent medical practitioners with three (3) workers have been hired to work in the facility. And its operational activities resumed on the 28th of June 2021. And because the clinic is ideally posted on our Bible college property, it will serve the Bible students, our church members, local missionary families, and people from the nearby communities. However, there are still many challenges within the operational domain of the clinic: regular availability of essential medicines in the clinic, salaries of workers, medical equipment most especially during this corona pandemic are some challenges currently confronting us and we're sincerely praying for the Lord's provision of funds for all. And in fact we are seeking partnership in this medical ministry for the supply of medical supplies and short term missions. And in light of the above-name problems, we have drafted a proposed project for the clinic which catalogues the current needs of the clinic for prayer consideration.

General summary breakdown of the clinic needs

NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY.	PRICE
1	RDT Salmonella Typhi Bio line	1pc	52.80
2	Hemoglobin meter model Mission	1pc	325.00
3	Hemoglobin meter strips, mission	1pc	56.00
4	BP Cuff Aneroid/Manvel	1pc	15.00
5	Stethoscope Binaural Elko	1pc	10.00
6	Fetoscope	1pc	5.00
7	Scale, height measurement with plastic bags	1pc	78.00
8	Scale weightment, clinic Adult (up to 150gs)	1pc	42.00
9	Scale weighment , infant with height measure	1pc	48.00
10	Obstetric Labor Table 3 sections us1103	1pcs	950.00
11	Manuel vacuum extractor	1pcs	125.00
12	Kit Dressing	1pcs	42.00
13	IV stand/saline stand us11037	1pcs	72.00
14	Suturing Set	2pcs	90.00
15	Examination beds for three screening rooms	3pcs	50.00
16	Birthing chair in labor room	2 pcs	50.00

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18	PPE of all kinds	2 cartons	250.00
19	FPB test kit (TB Test)	10 pcs	200.00
20	Ophthalmoscope	1 pc	150.00
21	GYN + examination gloves	5 cartons	150.00
22	Delivery Set	2 pcs	200.00
23	Audiometry Test	10 pcs	75.00
24	Hemoglobin meter	1pcs	50.00
25	Hematocrit centrifuge Manual and electronic	2 pcs	200.00
26	Hepatitis B& C rapid test reagent	assorted	250.00
27	Fetal stethoscope	1pc	70.00
28	Neonate scale	1pc	65.00
29	Mucus extractors set	2pc	140.00
30	Folly catheter and urine bag	1 box	150.00
31	IV cannula of all 20G, 21G, 18G, 22G etc	assorted	200.00
32	Medicine trolley		150.00
33	Babies kit		100.00
34	Drugs (assorted)		1200.00
35	Grand Total of funds		<u>US\$5,067.00</u>

D. New Testament Baptist Academy

It is worth noting that we have finally arrived at a successful conclusion of another academic year (2020/2021) with all students remaining in classes wearing their nose masks without any reported Covid19 infections. Nursery students have completed their final exams, elementary students are currently writing theirs, and senior high will be completing within three (3) weeks. Praise the Lord!

We remain grateful to the Lord for His peerless grace upon this ministry. This ministry, which was started within a single classroom sixteen (16) years ago, has overgrown into a full Christian School. It is now currently serving as a breeding ground of solid secular and Christian education. Almost all the children who have attended, have heard the gospel message and many have responded to it positively by trusting Christ as their Lord and personal Savior; and some are currently serving in leadership positions of our church and other churches of like faith in Liberia. Many of the blessings the Lord has showered upon this institution are as follows: Its sponsorship program has sponsored more than one thousand five (1500) impoverished and orphan children in the school since its inception; the teachers' salaries have been significantly increased over the years at a results of

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kind donations of partners in progress; school feeding program has been established and provided meals for hungry students over the past 4 years; and most importantly several number of students have professed faith in Christ as the Lord and personal Savior within the corridor of the school. Additionally, we have had fifteen (15) successive kindergarten graduation exercises and 4 successive High school Graduations. It is worth noting that some of its products have graduated from teacher colleges and have returned to serve in the school.

And we actually wanted to voice out our prayer needs for the school now; indeed more prayers are being offered for the survivability of the school in the next few years to come. Two strong supporters (a couple) of the school ministry have already signed up to back up this month (July 2021) on support because of retirement, low income, and old age. Currently we are praying for their possible replacement to continue the smooth payment of teachers, needed students sponsorship program, and the school feeding program for hungry students.

E. RADIO MINISTRY

The radio ministry of NTBC (New Testament Baptist Radio Program), brings expository biblical teachings to the hearings of a wider audience in fourteen (14) of the fifteen (15) counties of Liberia. The program is heard on two local radio stations that are located within the Monrovia area and the central region of Liberia respectively. Shiata 102.5 which is located within the suburb of Monrovia airs the program at 5:00pm -6:00pm on Thursday and Saturday weekly; and Radio Gbarnga 96.5 brings it live at 8:45am -9:30am on every Sunday Morning and Sunday evening at 5:00pm – 5:45pm. A lot of people have called and commended us for the program, many sinners have been shown the way of Salvation through Christ, and many have professed faith in Christ as their Lord and Savior. Praise the Lord. The monthly cost of the program is \$150.00.

And we're so much glad that the Lord is faithful in meeting our need for the sustainability of the program.

F. NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST CHURCH RELIEF PROGRAM

It is biblically evident that during Christ's earthly ministry, he had compassion on people who had severe needs and fed several thousands of them who were hungered and needed food to eat to avoid starvation; one of the scenarios is recorded in Matthew 14:19, *"And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the*

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grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full. And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.” And in continuation of this Lord’s love and compassion ministry, and also in consideration of the desperations seen in faces of many jobless Christians and nonbelievers in Liberia caused by joblessness in the midst of extreme economic situation, this ministry was birthed to periodically to demonstrate the love of Christ to needed people in time of natural disasters. And on several occasions, during natural disasters, the Lord has provided; and we have met some basic needs of widows and orphans of our church and others outside of the church. During the Ebola outbreak in West Africa in 2014, and in March of last year at the beginning of the Covid19 outbreak in Liberia, the Lord immensely provided enough funds which enabled us to buy huge food and disinfectants supplies and distributed them among many needed people (blind, sick, widows, orphans, and jobless); also, we met the needs of some flood victims in 2016. And even though Covid19 pandemic is a global situation which is to some extent undermining the growth of the economy of the world, Liberia’s economy is in an extreme decline position now causing many people to go to bed hungry. And as we did some small intervention in precious crises, we have prayerfully considered it prudent to undertake again a food distribution project which will demonstrate the love of Christ and glorify God to highest extent during this global pandemic era.

The government of Liberia has put in place a lot of constrained measures in order to curve the rapid spread of the deadly Covid19 variant from India that is killing many in Liberia now; and over 85% of the population are jobless and have to go out in search of daily food in the opened markets. Many referral hospitals are out of medical supplies thereby causing them to refuse patients because they are completely overwhelmed; and this is causing many unexplained deaths around the country now. We have observed that the high rate of death in the country cannot only be attributed to Covid19, but also to some treatable illnesses because it is becoming very difficult now to meet a medical practitioner. It’s a real problem! Therefore we are praying for the Lord’s provision of five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500.00) to buy food items for distributions. And below is the summary breakdown of the proposed project:

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NAME TITLE: PROPOSED COVID19 RELIEF PROJECT 2021

NO	FOOD ITEMS	QTY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
1	Rice (the nation’s staple)	250 (25kg bag)	\$15.00	\$3,700.00

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2	Oil	10 (5 gallons) pcs	60.00	600.00
3.	Beans	13 (100lbs bags)	65.00	650.00
4	Nose Masks	20 cartons	20.00	400.00
5	Handling & transport. costs			150.00
6	Grand total			<u>\$5,500.00</u>

Moreover, this proposed project is intended to benefit poor Christians, widows, orphans, blind, people with disabilities, and local missionary families. And it is expected to commence on July 26, 2021 and continues as long as the Lord provides for it throughout August 2021. And detailed expenditure reports will be served to would-be donors including names of beneficiaries.

Lastly, let it be known that we always feel so much honored and gratified about our partnership with you on the gospel field in Liberia; and we're further thrilled about your faithfulness in praying and supporting our ministries in Liberia. And this is why you are always in our prayers, seeking the Lord's face to add to you more strength and grace so that your feeble hands will be able to reach far and wide. Brethren, please intensify your prayers for my family and ministry for we now like Daniel in the Lion's den surrounded by lions in this corona situations.. We know what prayer can do!

Because of His matchless grace,

Jesse & Comfort Quapourlee

Your fellow servants in His vineyard

PICTORIAL REPORT BY MINISTRIES:

A. NTBC Gospel Mission (evangelism, Baptism & church planting)



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Local missionary Conference ongoing



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NTBC evangelistic team above

B. New Testament Baptist Medical Ministry below



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B. New Testament Baptist Christian Academy below



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C. NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE MINISTRY



D. RADIO MINISTRY

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E. RELIEF PROGRAM



Below: A 'Certificate of Honor' was received on 2nd July 2021 from Men Department of Bethel Bible Church for consistently propogating and promoting the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Liberia. The church is planted and pastored by one of our Bible College graduates (Pastor Magnus E. Doe)

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All for the honor & glory of Jesus Christ alone!!!

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