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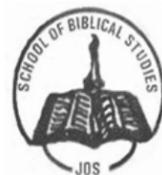
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Our goal is to have 500 Christians giving \$10 monthly to provide a stable operating income for the School. If you or your Bible class are thinking about becoming a Jos Partner, we urge you to do so! The small amount of just \$10 monthly, when combined with that of others, will make a huge difference. Just fill in the coupon below, and mail it with your check to:

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THE ADVENTURE OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

Delores, my wife for over 50 years, and I stand amazed at the blessings we have experienced as we enter our 31st year of working in Africa. We hope that you will enjoy reading about some of the most recent blessings in this edition of the Jos Journal. After retiring with 22 years of service in the U.S. Navy, and completing my Bible education in Alabama, we decided to become the first full-time American missionaries to live and work with the Churches of Christ in Northern Nigeria. That is when this adventure began and it has continued to amaze us more every year.

The work and number of congregations throughout the north continues to grow despite the actions of militant Islam. The School of Biblical Studies, Jos, continues to grow each year in the number of Nigerian and foreign students. We continue the construction of buildings and additional programs.

You may read in this issue of the Unity School that three of our graduates started and now has over 700 children in Southern Chad, but we know you will enjoy learning of our 444 Chibok Children now at Numan, Adamawa State. Praise our God and our Lord Jesus for allowing us to school over 1,100 children while educating 125 men and women at SBS in Bible so they will become church leaders. We pray for your continued prayers and support.



94 BAPTISMS IN 1 WEEK

Every year Brother Naphtali Dagasamah's job as the Evangelism Coordinator for SBS gets harder. Naphtali's job is to coordinate our weekend evangelism program for our students throughout the year. He also organizes our one week campaigns each May.

Congregations all over Nigeria send their requests to host a campaign using our students for one week in May. The West Ark congregation in Fort Smith, Arkansas, requested we send our students to the village of Alagba in Benue State to evangelize and start a congregation. They agreed to pay our expenses and to support a preacher in that village until it becomes mature.

The campus of SBS on the morning of May 8, 2016, was a beehive of activity as 130 students, staff, and a few guests prepared to leave on campaign for a week. Brother Francis Anaki, the Director of Cote d'Ivoire Bible School, in Ivory Coast, came for a visit and decided to spend a week of campaigning with our students. We loaded 27 students, with their baggage, on the first yellow school bus, then 32 students with their baggage on the second. These buses were destined for 6 locations in Benue State.

Next we loaded the 7 vans Naphtali had chartered to travel to Plateau, Kaduna, Abuja FCT, Gombe, and Kogi States. It was an amazing sight to watch the luggage loaded, then the students, as they were placed among the bags! After a prayer for the Lord's journey mercy away they went. As many of our readers know campaigns are a special experience in a Christian's life. The fellowship while working together for the Master is a tremendous blessing. Hundreds of people heard the gospel proclaimed & witnessed Christians enjoying their lives in Christ. A total of 94 people decided to obey the gospel during this year's campaign. Glory be to our God.



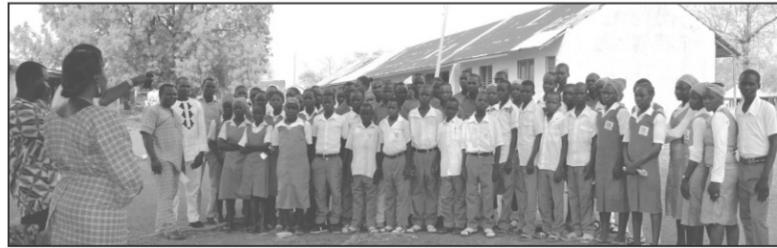
CHIBOK CHILDREN

In the summer of 2015, after returning home from my trip to Nigeria, Chad, and Uganda, I wrote an article for the Christian Chronicle telling of the plight of our brethren in and around the village of Chibok, Borno State. Our brethren started sending funds to Savannah to help the Christians suffering at the hands of the Boko Haram terrorists.

The city of Numan, Adamawa State, is about 200 Km south of Chibok, Borno State. Brother Danjuma Sati is the evangelist working with several congregations in and around Numan. Brother Sati's rented house has been a refuge for many of our brethren displaced by the Boko Haram since 2010. The small congregation at Numan has purchase land and is struggling to build a church building.

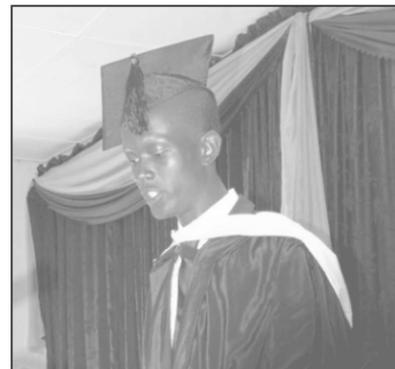
Brother Ishaku Mallo is an evangelist working with the church in Mbalala, a village about 10 km from Chibok, while Brother Simon Wathla is the preacher for the church in Chibok. These brethren asked Sati to help them find schools in Numan that would be willing to take Chibok children. Sati brought their request to me during my October visit to Jos. We decided to use the funds sent to Savannah to target the education of 30 Chibok children in Christian families. Sati returned home and talked with the principals of three schools in Numan. They agreed to take the children! When the children and parents in Chibok and Mbalala started making preparations to send their children to Numan, their neighbors pleaded with them to allow their children to go too.

During my visit to Numan last week we visited with some of the four hundred and forty-four children from the Chibok area presently schooling in Numan. Villanova Government Secondary School (GSS) has 92 seniors and 99 juniors, while Pare GSS has 119 seniors and 117 juniors. The main GSS at Numan has 17 students. Seniors are ages 14 to 17 while juniors are the ages 10 to 13. We have hired a youth minister to work with the health needs and the spiritual growth of these children. One of the many positive events this outreach has accomplished is the establishing of a congregation in the Village of Gadarma (in the Chibok area). The people there decided to listen to our message of salvation because of our love and concern for their children. If you want to help these children you may send a check payable to the Church of Christ, 1175 Pickwick Street, Savannah, TN 38372. Attn: "Chibok Children". Our God is a Wonderful God! Steve Worley



OUR VALEDICTORIAN

The SBS graduation ceremony this year was a resounding success. Brother Evans Nyamadzawo, our Valedictorian, presented a very moving address to our guests, students, and staff. I really enjoyed the part when he said, "My journey to SBS was ignited in 2010 by Matthew Muchingami, the first graduate of SBS from Zimbabwe. After finishing from SBS he became my Lecturer at Mutare School of Preaching. Matthew was unique in his presentations. One thing I know was that he was just teaching us some to the things he learnt at SBS. I said to myself, if he is having this kind of knowledge with just a degree, what more of the Lecturers who taught him. That aroused my quest for higher knowledge. The other thing, which made me to choose SBS, is the school's curriculum. SBS curriculum is holistic in nature, "You cover almost all courses in all fields." You may read Evan's entire speech by visiting our web site at savannahchurchofchrist.com.



DORM CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

This year's construction continued with us pouring the second floor decking. This major task took us almost a month to accomplish. During that time local craftsmen were constructing our 51 doors and 42 windows. The next major phase was the construction of the septic tanks and retaining wall. These are located down the hill on the east side of the dorm. As the rainy season started, we commenced plastering the inside of the building, which included 36 rooms, two toilets, halls, and stairwells. We use a concrete mix for plastering. We hope to start plastering the outside of the dorm in early June.

When our Lord provides the funds, with your help, we will install the flooring and then paint the inside. This will allow our male students to move in when they return in early August. The ladies will then be able to move onto the campus which will provide them the security they need.



Pouring the Decking



Construction of Septic Tanks



Plastering



Some of Our Work Crew