

HIGHLIGHTS

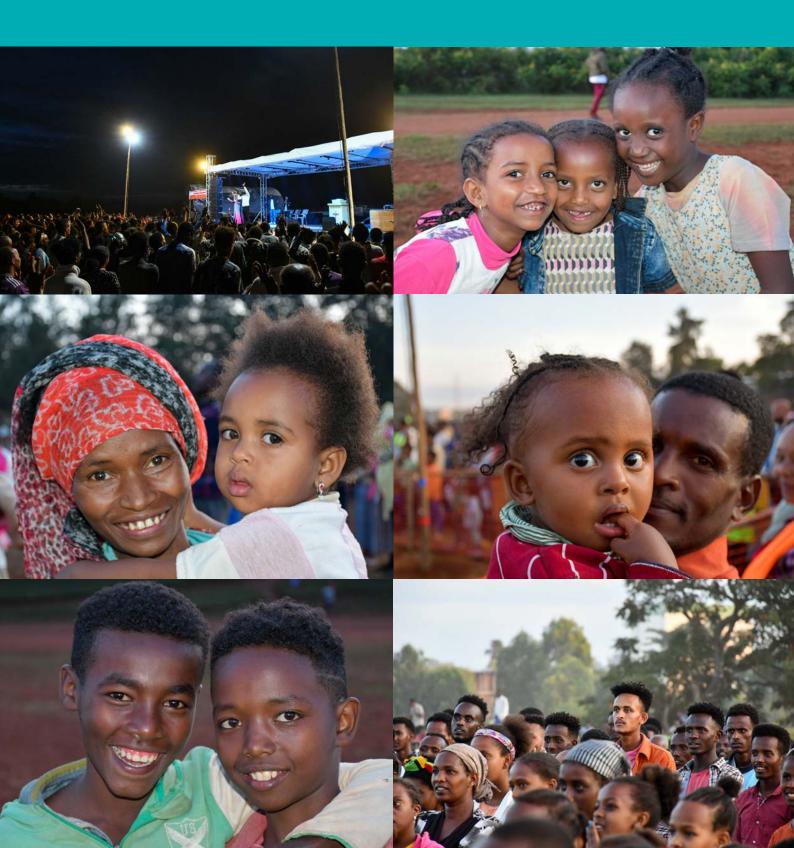




TRIUMPH

Our Crusade Director, Ev. Samuel Murrombe had a vivid dream shortly after the pandemic abated, in which pastors from Metu asked that In His Name would come hold a crusade in their town. Upon waking, he contacted our Ethiopian team and asked them if there was a place in Ethiopia called Metu. Since then, we have been trying to place this town on our crusade calendar—the pastors being as eager in reality as in the dream—but conflict in the greater area made it impossible. Once the skirmishes abated enough for us to arrange a mass event, the local pastors were zealous to work with us to bring it to pass. Metu sits at an altitude of over 1600m in the westernmost part of the Oromia Region, a mountainous area that is lush and hot. Our crusade took place from 30 November to 3 December and proved to be an extraordinary triumph!

When we started labouring in Metu, less than 30% of its inhabitants were born-again, with around 50% being Muslim and the remainder, Ethiopian Orthodox. Now, thousands more have become children of God! We held six services over a period of four days and the Gospel went forth with clarity and conviction. The response to the preaching of the Good News was tremendous and over 35,000 pieces of follow-up material were distributed. The pastors are working to connect with the new converts, a task that is challenging in towns such as these on account of the animosity faced by those who convert to Christianity. Even in the planning of the crusade, our team faced great hostility from those of other faiths, being violently attacked on the streets and some spending a night in jail, on account of pushback from opposing religious groups.





HEALING POWER

Prayer for the sick yielded magnificent miracles. Tena is a 34-year-old father of one. About a year ago, two tumours began growing on his waist, one on either side. They grew quickly and had become so large that he could no longer bend. Anxious and despairing, Tena came to the crusade desperate for a miracle and the Lord did not disappoint. During prayer, this gentleman was mightily touched by God and when he checked his waist, both tumours had disappeared! Testifying on stage, Tena bound around with explosive joy—even doing pushups and handstands—as he showed off his ability to move freely. The crowd rejoiced with him. Degele is a 28-year-old day labourer and father of three children. Two years ago, his kidneys began hurting constantly. The pain became so intense that he could not stand for long periods of time. He struggled to work, his job requiring great physical exertion and he worried about providing for his family. During prayer, the power of God flooded his body and as the power went in, the pain came out! Bouncing about, Degele could not contain his excitement as he glorified the Lord.

Fayise wept on stage, overcome by emotion. For the past decade, this 21-year-old young lady had been like the woman in Scripture with the issue of blood. Her family had taken her from doctor to doctor and no cure had been found. The condition had stolen her childhood, controlled her life and rendered her fatigued and generally unwell. It had placed great stress on her parents and robbed her of any hope of marriage and starting a family of her own. "The flow has stopped! I have no words," she shared. "My life has completely changed. I thank my God!" Ambisa is an 80-year-old grandfather. Seven years ago, he lost both his eyesight and hearing. He used to be a farmer but could no longer be useful to any great degree, being extremely limited after the loss of both senses. His family told him about the upcoming crusade meetings and already a child of God, he came specifically to trust the Lord for his healing. "I can now see! I can now hear!" he voiced, unreservedly overjoyed. "I am very happy and free!"





Tamiru is a 55-year-old farmer and father of four children. Two years ago, he began having serious problems with his legs. The doctors said that there were issues with his nerves. He lost strength and mobility and could not walk without using a cane. He was also in constant pain. During one of our services, the Lord worked a miracle. The discomfort has vanished and stability returned. Tamiru can now walk without his cane and soon, his legs will recover their full strength. Hallelujah! Axantu is a 27-year-old mother of two children. Five years ago, tumours started developing in both her breasts. They were painful and growing increasingly larger. On the Friday, Axantu attended our crusade and received prayer for healing. When she got home and checked herself, she was overjoyed to find that the tumours were no more! She returned on the Sunday to testify. "I thank God, I am completely healed!" Axantu voiced.



Adisu is a 36-year-old clothes merchant. His left side had become increasingly problematic. He could not lift his arm. The pain in his upper body was excruciating. He was even struggling to breath. He had visited several local clinics but nobody could help him. He was going to travel to Jimma—a larger, nearby town—to seek help there. During prayer, the Lord touched his body and released him from his affliction. Adisu lifted his arm on stage without any hindrance and praised the Lord. "The pain is gone! The pressure is gone! I can breathe freely again!" he exclaimed. Efanesh is a 45-year-old farmer and mother of five children. A tumour had developed in her uterus and grown so large that she could feel it protruding. "I have been from doctor to doctor. I have spent all my money. Tomorrow, I was going to go for an operation," she explained. However, it seems that Dr Jesus has performed his own procedure! Since prayer, she can no longer feel that tumour and all other symptoms of her ailment have ceased. "I have received happiness and health at this crusade!" she expressed, beaming with joy.





On the final day of our crusade, held on a Sunday, the evangelical churches in Metu closed their doors and all congregations gathered for a mass service. We gifted the pastors and volunteers with certificates and copies of the Amharic version of Tamryn's book on evangelism, "Spirit of Fire". Come afternoon, we prayed for the baptism of the Holy Spirit and believers were filled from on High with His power and presence, following one final message on how to partner with the Spirit of God. This was the last in a series of three messages on the Holy Spirit, presented during the crusade period. The believers of Metu have been fully equipped to preach the Gospel with signs and wonders following! We also prayed for the prayer requests that were submitted during the crusade period as well as the nation of Ethiopia and the Oromia Region.

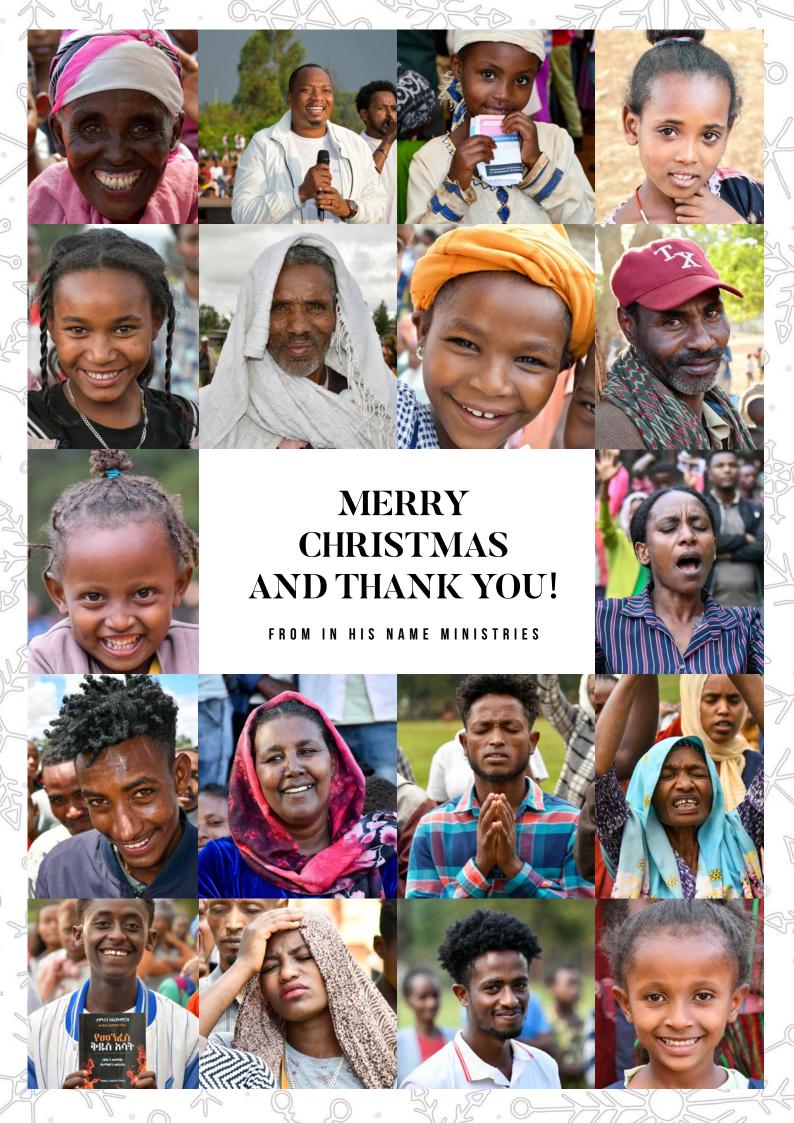


THANK YOU!

Sincerest thanks for helping us win Metu for Jesus. Your prayers and support have made this crusade a stunning success and yet another Ethiopian town has been terrifically impacted. Already, we are hearing testimonies from the local pastors of entire families turning to the Lord because one of their number was healed during a crusade meeting. The effect of this crusade is ongoing. Our team is rejoicing and we invite you to rejoice together with us!







2024

WOW/ZZ/A

ONE NATION | ONE YEAR | 50 CRUSADES

WHAT IT IS

WOWZA is an acronym. Naturally, ZA is the accepted abbreviation of SOUTH AFRICA. But, what about WOW? WOW stands for WAVE ON WAVE. Wave on wave of salvation, healing, deliverance, and revival rolling across the nation. Spiritual liberation must precede political and economic liberation. If the hearts of the people of a nation are not inhabited and governed by the Lord, then hatred, violence, greed and corruption shall continue to rule and reign.

HOW WILL IT WORK?

In addition to holding crusades across Ethiopia, In His Name will fund and spearhead the holding of fifty crusades across South Africa over the course of 2024. These crusades will either be held by our own team under the banner of In His Name or held by other evangelists—with whom we have a relationship—under the banner of their own ministries. In the latter scenario, the management of funds will still be overseen by the In His Name team and if necessary, planning oversight as well. Each crusade will involve multiple churches. The believers in the churches will be equipped for soul-winning and trained in street, school and door-to-door evangelism in the build-up to the main crusade event. We are estimating that at least 10,000 people will be impacted through each crusade initiative and consequently, half a million individuals over the fifty crusades.

WHERE WILL IT HAPPEN?

The crusades will be held across South Africa in needy areas, whether such be townships where crime, immoral behaviour and gang violence abound or rural villages where witchcraft and ancestral worship are prevalent.

WOWALEXX

ONE TOWNSHIP | THREE MONTHS | 11 CRUSADES

As part of WOWZA, planning is underway for a multi-crusade initiative in Alexandra, a township in Johannesburg, South Africa that is notorious for its criminal activity, substance abuse and overcrowding. It covers an area of over 800 hectares and is populated by hundreds of thousands of inhabitants.



Sixteen local evangelists, who are well-known to In His Name and have been trained by the ministry, will work with the In His Name team to hold a crusade in every section of Alex over a period of several weeks. A crusade will be held in another section each weekend, until all Alex has been reached, with most inhabitants of the township having a crusade in walking distance from their home and all churches (even the smaller ones) being actively involved. Eleven crusades will be held in total, the first in the beginning of February and the last in the middle of April. The schools will be ministered in, aggressive street evangelism campaigns conducted and believers equipped for evangelism.

If this multi-crusade method is effective, we can roll it out in townships across South Africa over the coming years, using evangelists local to the relevant city. In this way, relationships shall be forged between township pastors and evangelists who can continue to serve them. The impact of this method should be greater than holding a single crusade. Alex for Jesus!

