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“Jesus Is Worth It All”—A Villager’s Testimony

A Ghanaian villager recently came to Christ. He shared his testimony with Pastor George Korah. His name and picture will not be published due to security reasons.

Praise the Lord, Church! I want to testify to the goodness of God in my life.

I was born and raised in a Muslim family in the remote area of Wa, East District of the Upper West Region, Ghana. From childhood, I was taught to follow the traditions of Islam, and I was very devoted. I am 40 years old now. I never thought one day I would be doing something with Christianity, not to mention calling Jesus my Lord and Savior. I was convinced that Christians are not good and that they are enemies to Islam. But God had a plan for me.

One day, a friend (Pastor George) who had been talking to me about Jesus, gave me a Christian book (*God’s Call to Holiness*) by Rev. Jim Lo. Out of curiosity, I began to read. At first, I just wanted to understand what Christians believe so that I could argue against it because I have a series of arguments with George any time he visits the village for evangelism. But as I read, the words in the book began to touch my heart.

I saw in that book that Jesus is not only a prophet, but the Son of God who came to save the world from sin. The part that struck me deeply was when I read about His love, His holiness, and how He offers eternal life freely to all who believe in Him. I could not resist that love.

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Ghanaian men attended a village church event last year.

Please Join Us in Prayer

By Dr. Jim “Umfundisi” Lo+



A few Church of God (Holiness) leaders have committed themselves to fast and pray a meal every Wednesday. We are praying for the needs of churches in the States and the world. For COGH World Missions we are praying for the following:

- For individuals to respond to God’s call to global missions,
- For God to show COGH WM new fields we need to be entering;
- For churches to have a greater zeal for reaching the world for Christ, and
- For Christians living and ministering in areas where there are war and persecution.

Thank you for your faithfulness to pray for World Missions!



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Prayer Requests

As you pray for World Missions, please include the following:

- Pray for Dr. Jim as he travels and speaks in various churches about the call of God and following Him.
- Ask God to bless our missionary families, that each child would have a personal relationship with Him.
- Remember the Solos Bible translation team. Ask God to bless them as they work toward translating the Bible into the heart language of their people. Ask God to guide and give wisdom to Larry Doyle as he serves as their advisor.
- Dr. Gayle Woods often has opportunity to witness to those around him. Pray for his and Micki's ministry in Cayman Brac.
- *Request removed due to security reasons.*

For many nights, I could not sleep because the Spirit was speaking to me. Finally, I prayed and asked Jesus to reveal Himself to me. I felt a peace I had never known before. From that day, I gave my life to Christ. And I would like to evangelize and recommend that book to a lot of my Muslim friends. The book contains all that one needs to know about God.

But it has not been easy. Some of my family members are having issues with me, threatening to reject me, and I face many challenges. But I can boldly say that Jesus is worth it all. He has given me joy, forgiveness, and the assurance of eternal life. Today, I am no longer bound by fear, but I live in the freedom of Christ.

I encourage anyone who is seeking truth to open their heart and read the Word of God, especially *God's Call to Holiness*. Jesus is alive, and He still changes lives. To Him be the glory forever. Amen.



Marilyn Ministers in Jail

The Myanmar military that took over the country by coup in 2021 enacted a conscription law in February of last year. This requires all young men and women to serve in the military for two years. Most, however, do not want to do this and may be arrested at any time.

The military came to the new building being constructed for Shiloh Bible College, where they arrested six of the construction workers and forced them into the military. They then turned to the owner of the building, Andrew Bawi Ceu's wife, Marilyn. They accused her of violating martial law and sentenced her to one month in jail.

Marilyn turned this difficult time into a new season of ministry. In a prison of 800 women, most of whom are Buddhists and only 24 of whom are Christian, she conducted worship services on Sundays and actively witnessed to those around her. God granted her favor in the eyes of the prison leader and protected her from insect bites.

Marilyn was released in September, but prays for those Christians in the jail who need a leader, as well as Bibles and song books. She also prays for the many non-Christians including seven in particular who seemed softened to the gospel.