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ETHIOPIAN
CHURCH
PARTNERS



200

FAMILIES CARED
FOR THROUGH
HBC PROGRAM



146

ECONOMIC
EMPOWERMENT
MEMBERS



4

INDIVIDUALS
RECEIVED
MEDICAL CARE



600

FOOD
BASKETS
DISTRIBUTED

ETHIOPIA NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Over the last few months, there has been ongoing unrest in the areas surrounding Addis Ababa, making it difficult to travel outside of the city. While the capital has remained insulated from the violence so far, it is difficult for our staff and pastors to travel in and out of Addis to neighboring cities and communities. They are taking precautions to remain safe, and are doing their best to remain connected with pastors and families by phone when in-person meetings are not possible.

In addition, a political opposition leader was recently found murdered in the Oromo region. The government has denied any involvement in his death, but they have also cut phone and internet to the region so that news of the incident and subsequent protests do not spread. Please pray for peace throughout Ethiopia, and for unity among the various regions and ethnic groups.

Our local church expansion program is now in its second year and doing very well! Eight new churches participated in a training to learn more about how their church can develop ministries to serve vulnerable families, orphans, and widows. These church elders will now take what they've learned back to their church bodies to establish committees and raise funds to provide food baskets, medical care, and Biblical counseling to vulnerable families in their communities! Please pray for God to provide the funds they need as well as the energy and stamina to provide care to these families in need.

WHOLISTIC CARE IN ETHIOPIA

The families and children remain in good health and are doing well. Our Social Worker, Martha, facilitated a training focusing on Personal and Environmental Hygiene for 181 caregivers. She also hosted youth group discussions and training centered around the theme of Living Life with Purpose. Our hope is that ongoing training will result in an improved quality of life, greater physical and emotional well-being, and the prevention of diseases.



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT IN ETHIOPIA

The caregivers have been working hard in their businesses, and continue to overcome significant challenges relating to inflation. Every caregiver is in a savings group which meets at least once a month. These groups provide encouragement, support, networking, and prayer, in addition to a means for these widows to gradually save money and increase their capacity to respond to emergencies or needs. Please pray for each caregiver's business to grow and thrive, and for inflation to come down.

