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## January 2025 Update



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Dear Pastors and Friends.

## Happy New Year!

As we enter 2025, we do so with immense gratitude for your partnership in the Gospel. Your prayers, encouragement, and financial support have empowered life-transforming work in some of the world's most restricted regions. The Lord continues to move mightily through your investment in His kingdom, and we are excited to share the latest undates from the field

We are overjoyed to announce the formation of a new underground church in Sudan! This congregation started with 32 founding members who have chosen to follow Jesus despite the risks they face. Their courage and commitment to gathering for worship, prayer, and discipleship are powerful testimonies to God's sustaining grace. Each week, these believers come together in secret, sharing the joy of the Lord and strengthening one another in their faith. The church is already seeing lives transformed and families drawn closer to Christ. Please join us in praying for this new body of believers so that they will grow in spiritual maturity and unity. Pray for their safety as they navigate the challenges of practicing their faith in a restricted country, and pray for their boldness in sharing the Gospel with others in their community.

We have successfully installed five short-range radio towers in Mogadishu, Somalia, in the past three months. These towers broadcast the Gospel messages and teachings on foundational doctrines in both Arabic and Somali, ensuring that the message of salvation reaches areas inaccessible to traditional methods of evangelism. The impact of these broadcasts has already been profound. People in these urban areas are tuning in to hear the message of hope in Christ. Testimonies have come back to us of individuals secretly listening and sharing what they've learned with friends and family. These broadcasts represent more than just infrastructure; they are lifelines, delivering truth to those who are spiritually hungry. While the work is not without its challenges, we are confident that God is using these broadcasts to draw people to Himself. Please pray for the safety and wisdom of those maintaining and operating these towers as we consider expanding this initiative to other areas.

None of this would be possible without your faithful partnership. Because of your support, Underground pastors are being equipped to lead their congregations with courage and wisdom. New churches are being planted, even in the most dangerous regions, and the Gospel is being proclaimed to unreached people groups, and lives are being transformed.

Your generosity has been a beacon of hope for those living in the shadow of persecution. Through your prayers and gifts, you are standing alongside believers who are proclaiming the truth of Christ in places where it is most needed.

As we look ahead to 2025, we are reminded of our immense privilege to participate in the Great Commission. There is still so much work to do, and we are excited about the opportunities God is placing before us.

Thank you for your unwavering support and encouragement. Your partnership is a testament to the unity of the body of Christ, and we are deeply grateful for you.

May the Lord bless you abundantly in this new year as we continue to serve Him together.

In His service,

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