



Harvest Highlights

APRIL - JUNE 2025

And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation....”

Mark 16:15

Dear Co-laborers,

Harvest Highlights is a collection of IOI's quarterly articles highlighting the various works God is doing around the world, for His glory.

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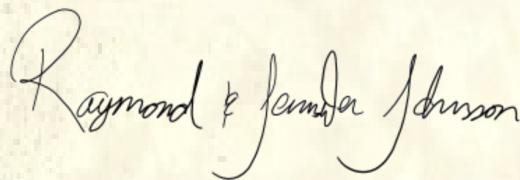
Dear Prayer Partners,

The past several months have been exciting and encouraging as we see the Lord continue to grow His ministry. The start of 2025 has been one of great encouragement. We have seen the Lord work from the bush to the busy city, and we want to share some of these accounts with you.

We greatly appreciate your prayers and support, and we realize that for specific prayer, you need specific information. With that in mind, we are sending our quarterly newsletter which contains our updates that are sent through email. If you do not receive the regular email updates and would like to see this information as it is available, please email [Raymond @irelandoutreach.org](mailto:Raymond@irelandoutreach.org).

We hope you find the enclosed information encouraging as you see our amazing God move into action. Please see below for specific prayer and praise points as well as the specific needs we are facing today. Please consider these items daily, and pray for the Lord's provision and how you may be a part of it.

Working Till He Comes,



Prayer Points:

- Staff needed for Morgan House: secretary, host, maintenance/handyman, IT, landscaper
- Security challenges in Nigeria
- Haven of Hope Academy school construction
- Ghana mission trip planned for July 6th – 19th and funding needed for:
 - Medicine and food for five villages (\$6,000)
 - Transport, Feeding, Accommodations for Team (\$7,500)
- EBCM Nigeria Leadership Conference with special guests from IBCM and Joni and Friends

Praise Points:

- Water wells finished in two of four villages in Ghana (Adudornu and Adefe)
- First medical outreach with new clinic in Ojali
- Printing and shipping underway of 60,000 Emmaus Books for Nigeria and more to come to all countries

Making Great Strides!

Another Remarkable Victory - HHA

Edition 1

April 2025

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are excited to share an incredible milestone from Haven of Hope Academy (HHA) in Kwang, Nigeria.

From its humble beginnings as one of IOI's pioneering projects in Haven of Hope, Nigeria, the Haven of Hope Academy has grown into an award-winning institution, recognized not just in Nigeria but across West Africa. The school's unwavering commitment to excellence has earned it the distinguished honor of being a two-time recipient of the prestigious award for the *Best School in West Africa* - a recognition of its academic excellence, moral foundation, and holistic impact. HHA has again added another remarkable victory to its legacy.



Last week, on the 28th of March, the school was invited by the Plateau State Internal Revenue Service (PSIRS) to participate in a high-profile debate on the motion: "Should low-income earners be exempted from personal income taxes?" Competing against Baptist High School, one of the state's most prestigious institutions, our students demonstrated deep, exceptional insight and excellence, despite being on the opposing side of the debate - emerging as champions!

As a result, Haven of Hope Academy was awarded One Million Naira (about \$670 USD) alongside other honors, further solidifying its reputation for academic distinction and leadership. Yet, beyond trophies and accolades, this victory, is not only academic but also spiritual - it is a testament to the school's unwavering commitment to nurturing great minds, and Christ-centered values.



Haven of Hope Academy was born out of a divine vision - to provide quality Christian education, and uncompromising biblical standards. As a co-educational institution, it stands as a vessel of transformational hope, pointing students toward a fulfilling life on earth and the eternal promise found only in the Lord Jesus Christ. We return all the glory to God, to whom all our praise is due.

Thank you for your continuous support.

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are excited to share with you a few testimonies of the Emmaus Bible courses from Ghana.



Kate Dede
(Completed
twelve
courses)



Pst. Felix
Williams
Asante
(Completed
twenty-four
courses)

The Emmaus Bible courses have been impactful and life-changing. The courses have been helpful in deepening my understanding of God's Word in ways I never knew before. Through these studies, I've come to realize that there are many beliefs and ideologies we hold as believers that are not rooted in Scripture.

Each of the twelve booklets is unique, but these two have the most imprint in my life: Personal Evangelism and Men Who Met The Master.

In Men Who Met The Master, I learned that no one is beyond redemption. No matter how broken and how lost a person may be, salvation is possible the moment they turn to Christ in faith. It doesn't matter who you are, where you've been, or what you've done. If you are willing to surrender to the Lord Jesus Christ, He will save you.

In Personal Evangelism, I learned that every soul is different, hence, there is no one approach to reaching everyone. We cannot go out as novices, blank-headed and unprepared, expecting to effectively reach the lost. Instead, we must be armed with the truth of Scripture, and sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit so that no matter what objections or misunderstandings we encounter, we can lovingly, persuasively point them to the saving grace of Jesus.

The Emmaus Bible courses have been nothing short of a divine catalyst for me. They have profoundly shaped my understanding of God's Word as well as deepened my faith and also ignited a renewed passion for God's work. The contents in these courses are not only vast but equally deep and transformative.

Among the many booklets, Personal Evangelism stands out. This course doesn't just skim the surface, it dives deep into the heart of soul-winning, as it unveils powerful strategies to reach every person on the streets, in the marketplace, and in every sphere of life. It opened my eyes to the different types of souls we encounter and how to approach each one with wisdom, love, and divine insight. Before this, I had never encountered such practical, eye-opening teaching on evangelism. It was as if scales fell from my eyes, and suddenly, I saw people not just as they were, but as they could be in Christ.

As a pastor, this knowledge has been invaluable. It has given me a fresh perspective, allowing me to connect with people from all walks of life and win them over for Christ. The Emmaus courses have not just taught me, they have equipped and empowered me for the work of ministry in ways I could never have imagined.

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are excited to share with you about the 'Live Free' campaign of the Haven of Hope Academy.



LIVE FREE is inspired by the powerful words of our Lord Jesus in John 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." It is an annual initiative of the Haven of Hope Academy school to address critical societal issues through impactful campaigns. We have previously tackled drug abuse and cyber addiction in collaboration with private organizations and some Nigerian government agencies such as; the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC), National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) and other key stakeholders.

This year, 2025, our focus turned to campaigning for awareness on trauma-informed care, tagged "Cultivating a Culture of Care." In a nation where economic hardship, security challenges, political instability, and civil unrest have left countless children and adults carrying heavy emotional burdens, the need for trauma-informed care is an urgent necessity for many Nigerians.

In addressing this, our students had a two-day campaign awareness training on the 2nd and 3rd April, by 'Trauma Free World', an organization dedicated to bringing healing to the brokenhearted. In collaboration with other like-minded partners, our students did not just learn, they were also commissioned as ambassadors of hope to share what they learn with others. They led a march to the community, and engaged in programs designed to educate, counsel and interact with individuals from a well-informed angle of what trauma is and how to heal from traumatic experiences.



These students and pupils also gave out Gospel tracts and talked to people in the community about putting their hope in Christ Jesus, because He alone can save them from their sin and grant them help to live a trauma free live.

Thank you for your continuous support.

Ojali Clinic Update

Mercy Missions

Edition 1

May 2025

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are glad to share with you God's faithfulness for His work in Ojali, Nigeria.

In the month of April, Raymond and his family, alongside some IOI team members, travelled to Otukpo, Benue State from Jos, for a two-day medical outreach in Ojali, a town near Otukpo. This mercy mission touched the lives of over 800 patients, who received free medical consultations, diagnosis, and life-saving medications that addressed various health needs. Furthermore, six sight-restoring eye surgeries were performed by professional medical doctors. In a tangible demonstration of God's love, wheelchairs were distributed to those with physical challenges, offering them newfound mobility.



Beyond physical healing, the Gospel was powerfully preached as the revered king, Elaigwu Odogbo John, the Och'Idoma of the Idoma kingdom graced the occasion and also delivered a message of salvation to all in attendance. To God's glory, the two-day event marked the official commissioning of the Ojali clinic, a fruit of IOI's 2023 Gospel outreach. This clinic will serve as a place of hope, providing essential medical care and demonstration of the love of God to the Ojali community, and surrounding towns where access to medical care was once a distant hope.



There was a graduation of nine students who enrolled and completed the Emmaus Bible courses. As we give praise to God for the great things He has done in the community of Ojali, we invite you to join us in prayer that:

- The seed of God's Word sown in the hearts of all those who were in attendance will take root, and they will grow in faith and obedience
- God will graciously grant healing and restoration to all those who received medical treatment and surgeries
- The Gospel will continue to prevail in the Ojali community and its surrounding villages

Thank you for your continuous prayers and support.

Equipping Leaders to Serve

Emmaus Leadership Conference

Edition 2

May 2025

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are glad to share with you the highlights of the Emmaus leadership conference.

The Emmaus annual leadership conference was held in Jos, Nigeria from April 21st to 27th 2025. For several years, the conference has always been a time of spiritual refreshment, equipping leaders from across the nation with powerful teachings, preaching, workshops and resources, all aimed at preparing them for effective ministry in their local churches and communities. Despite the ongoing security challenges in Jos and across Nigeria, we witnessed God's grace as nearly 300 leaders converged for this year's conference - our highest attendance yet!



We had David Smith from IBCM, who led us on a journey through the history of salvation, unveiling the grand narrative of God's redemptive love. Also, we had Ashley and Ronald Mugisha, representatives from Joni and Friends, who facilitated the training on Beyond Suffering: A Christian View on Disability Ministry. The training was transformational in many ways. It opened our eyes to see those with disability around us who are longing for someone to love and care for them. We were reminded that each of us is uniquely created by God for His glory.

The training on disability ministry culminated with a wheelchair distribution exercise on Saturday, April 26th, as 153 beneficiaries received wheelchairs and walking aids to help in their mobility. As a practical demonstration of the love of God, and in putting to practice what they have learnt from the training, many conference participants joined in ministering to individuals with disabilities.



We give God all the glory for the success of the conference, and for safety in travel for all the participants. We urge you to continue to pray for:

- The participants to continually put into practice all they have been taught
- More disciples to be raised by these leaders that have been mentored
- The security situation in Nigeria



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School Construction Update

Haven of Hope Academy

Edition 3

May 2025

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are excited to share with you the latest update on the Haven of Hope Academy (HHA) school



In our 'Harvest Highlights' December 2024 edition, we reported the completion of the roofing phase of the school construction. Today, we write to share the progress made so far. The construction team is currently working to finish the interior and exterior. They are working on plumbing, electrical installations, internal and external plastering, fixing of doors and windows, after which they will proceed to tiling, networking and painting.

Everyday, several individuals aspire to join the Haven of Hope Academy for both academic excellence and the Christian standards of the school, yet we face a significant challenge due to limited space, as our existing classrooms are unable to accommodate the growing number of eager applicants. By completing the ongoing building project, we will not only increase our capacity to welcome more students and pupils into the school, but also extend our reach in sharing the Gospel of our Lord Jesus. Furthermore, this expansion will enable us to mentor these young minds as leaders and ambassadors of Jesus Christ.

This is the last term for the 2024/2025 session. And next academic session is set to begin in September. The school is currently conducting entrance examinations for aspiring candidates seeking admission into HHA. The entire construction is at 70% completion, and the team is working to complete the project on time. We give glory to God for how far He has helped us and we trust Him for the remaining part of the work ahead.



We invite you to join us in praying for:

- The successful and timely completion of the project
- The construction workers' continued dedication and safety
- God's abundant provision for the project

Thank you for your unwavering support.

Worker Update

Haven of Hope, Nigeria

Edition 1

June 2025

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are thrilled to share with you our worker update from the Haven of Hope, Nigeria.

The Haven of Hope (HOH) was founded by IOI in 2004. It has grown from a humble beginning of just a few workers to a thriving community of over one hundred dedicated staff members who work across the diverse sections, including Hope Haven Hospital, Hope Haven Water factory, and Haven of Hope Academy. While we celebrate the contributions of each staff member at the Haven of Hope, we want to highlight the leadership team – whose diligence and commitment continue to steer the mission forward. Below are their names and roles.

Dr. Austin F. Arthur - Dr. Austin (over 20 years of service), doubles as the CEO of HOH and Medical Director of the Hope Haven Hospital. He is married to Peace, and they have two children, Clinton and Stephanie.

Gideon Katmut - Gideon (over 20 years of service), has been an accountant at HOH and also oversees part of the literature ministry, ensuring that the message of hope reaches others around the country. He is married to Rebecca and they have six children: Tabitha, Nantap, Samuel, Plangnan, Grace and Comfort.

Jonathan Aboi - Jonathan (over 10 years of service), leads the prison ministry in Nigeria, sharing the Word of God with inmates and discipling them to grow in their faith. He is married to Rebecca, and they have four children: Abigail, Theodora, Benita and Elnathan.

Anthony Ukwuanya - Anthony (over 2 years of service), is the lead accountant at HOH. He is married to Tina.
Paul Emmy - Paul (over 2 years of service), manages HOH's administration and operation. He is married to Deborah.

Ugbede Akoji - Ugbede (over 4 years of service), maintains and repairs all equipments at HOH to ensure day to day operations. He is married to Roseline, and they have four children: Miracle, Japhet, Micaiah and Jean-Nancy.

James Eladoche - James (over 10 years of service), maintains and supervises the HOH campus. He is married to Edith.

We thank God for these individuals whose dedication and leadership form the driving force behind God's work at the Haven of Hope, Nigeria.



Left to Right: Paul Emmy, James Eladoche, Anthony Ukwuanya, Ugbede Akoji, Gideon Katmut, Jonathan Aboi and Dr. Austin Arthur.

Dear Prayer Partners,

We are thrilled to share with you our worker update of Emmaus Bible Centres Mission (EBCM), Africa.

For decades, the Emmaus Bible Centres Mission has been committed to making the profound truths of God's Word accessible and understandable to everyone, regardless of their location or circumstance through the distribution of the Emmaus Bible correspondence courses in Africa and around the world. These courses have been translated to some languages so as to reach more people.

Today, we celebrate the contributions of these national coordinators who have worked and are still working assiduously to distribute these courses and train correctors in several parts of their respective countries:



Abu Onche - Abu is the EBCM coordinator for the Northern region of Nigeria.

He has been serving for over 10 years. He's married to Lois, and they have three children: Amy, Abigail and Audrey. He resides in Keffi, North Central Nigeria.



Fred Konado - Fred is the EBCM National Coordinator in Ghana.

He has been serving for over 10 years. He is married to Priscilla Oye, and they have four children: Nana Yaa Adjeley, Ohemaa Serwaa, Kweku Adom and Gift Amiyaa. Nigeria.



Ernest Amechi - Ernest has served as EBCM coordinator for the Southern region of Nigeria. He has been serving for over 25 years.

He is married to Blessing Ngozi, and they have five children: Victory, Favour, Mercy, Goodness and Jubilee. He resides in Lagos, Nigeria.



Johnson Kamanda - Johnson is the EBCM National Coordinator in Liberia. He has been serving for over 8 years.

He is married to Sharon, and they have five children: Stephen, Carolyn, Wisdom, Hepzibah and Jethroson.

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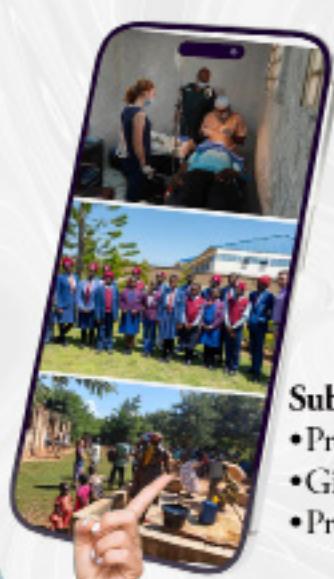
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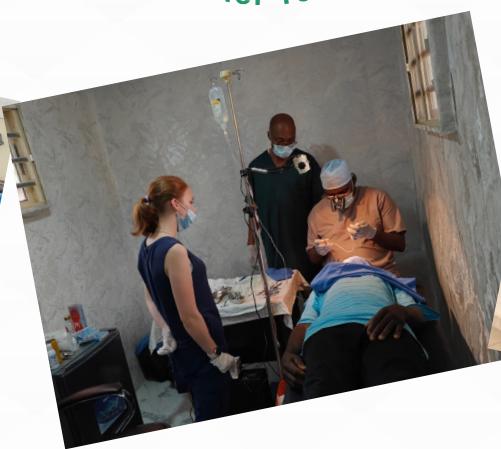
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