

## ***Praying for Brants on their trip to Ethiopia.***

***Jan 13-April 30, 2019***

Jo-Ann and I will be traveling to Ethiopia and some of you asked for prayer requests and a list of dates and things we will be doing.

14 Jan Fly over the North Pole to Dubai then Ethiopia: arrive Wed, Jan 16<sup>th</sup>.

18 Jan Travel with Pastor Gary and Bob Baldwin as well as Paul and Hema Prbakhara from India -- 350 kilometers south to Ambaricho Prayer Mountain.

19<sup>th</sup> Jan We'll get up to the top of Ambaricho by helicopter and share in the "Day of Prayer for the Nations" where about 100,000 participate.

20<sup>th</sup> Jan Preaching in Amharic in a large Ethiopian Church in Durame

21-23 Jan We join Pastor Gary Gulbranson from US and Pastor Paul from India giving a three-day Pastor's Training seminar.

23 Jan As soon as training finishes our whole group will drive 150 kilometers up into the Gurage Mountains.

24-26 Jan Pastors Gary, Paul and I will hold a three-day Pastor's Training Institute in Emdiber, Gurage... expect about 120 pastors present.

27 Jan Pastor Gary will preach to a large gathering of many Gurage Churches. He leaves that afternoon to go further south to the Mursi (we will not see Gary again before he returns home).

28 Jan, Jo-Ann and I along with our Indian colleagues start teaching courses in the Gurage Bible School. Two tracks... English and Amharic. Pastor Paul and his wife Hema will have the English section...Jo-Ann and I will teach in Amharic.

3 Feb One of our Bible School teachers gets married on this day. What a blessing to speak blessings on them at the wedding.

8<sup>th</sup> Feb Jo-Ann and I drive 200 Kilometers to Dilla in South Ethiopia. This is where Howie grew up and his parents took the gospel 71 years ago. A neighboring tribe invaded the Gedeo, many homes and churches destroyed, many killed. We will have 60 from each side for a Peace making Conference for five days. Pray that the Holy Spirit will move among us to bring peace between Christians and they can lead their own people to peace between the two hostile groups.

17-19 Feb Back in Gurage, we'll have a team coming to share a discipleship Seminar at the Bible School. Guests from US and the capital Addis will lead this training to foster depth and growth among pastors and church leaders.

1 March Pray for Frank Hnatovic and Robert Bauerman, builders coming in to expand the facilities of the school and guide Ethiopians finishing the top floor. Pray for safety and wisdom as they give a whole month to make desks, benches, clothes cupboards and additional bunk beds.

13 April, we finish teaching at the Bible College and drive north to the capital city, Addis Ababa.

15 April fly from Addis Ababa to Amman Jordan where our daughter Lisa and family await us. Happy reunion.

@20 Apr Lisa and her Dad fly over to Turkey and we will retrace the footsteps of Paul on his first missionary journey...looking to find the town of Derbe which Paul visited on his first journey. Jo-Ann looking forward to spending time with 3 granddaughters.

30 Apr Arrive back in the USA

5 May Begin teaching Daniel with the Berean class at Westminster. Hmmm...will we finish in 3 months?

Thank you for standing before God's throne of GRACE on our behalf, on behalf of people Jesus died for half way around the world and some don't know.

- There is a large unreached area of Gurage where we know of NO believers. Pray for the people of Zidebir.
- We've been invited into peacemaking and need the Lord's anointing. The church will also be making an important decision as they choose a leader over 86 Gurage churches.
- We will be teaching/preaching almost every day on our trip in Ethiopia, and we want to be sensitive God's divine appointments. Pray for stamina and a hearing ear.

Your missionaries,

Howie and Jo-Ann Brant