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#### **Our Vision**

The vision for this ministry is to equip individuals & local churches to become more actively involved in Christian mission opportunities and service.

### To our Friends and Partners

A big **thank you** to our partners in this ministry! God has used you to serve Him and those that have been overlooked or forgotten, the least.

We would love to come and share our ministry with your church, Sunday School, circle, civic group, school or community event.

Please continue to pray for this ministry as we reach out to the least and forgotten in our world!

# South GA Conference advance special number

Our designated number is #7672

## A Word from Bobby

On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 Bishop Lawson Bryan gave a great sermon on "stretching" from the gospel of Mark and it was part of the 2018 Lectionary readings. I really enjoyed his thoughtful and insightful sermon at the South Georgia United Methodist Conference. As I have revisited the text, I have found it to be like a rich vein of gold, pure large nuggets of gold. I have been blessed with the relevance and richness of it today. It is a deep passage of scripture and as I sit here gazing at a photo of some Maasai women receiving a fresh clean drink of water some more thoughts come to mind.

Here are a few of my insights and thoughts from Mark 3:1-6

Jesus went into the synagogue and he found 2 types of problems. The first matter that he encountered was a man with a withered hand and the second kind of difficulty that he found was a group of religious people with a withered faith. The withered hand was a physical challenge, but the withered heart was a spiritual issue. We are not exempt from these issues as people of faith. There were problems in Jesus' day and there are people with physical and spiritual problems in our day.

The man with the withered hand was called out by Jesus to be a testimony for others to experience God's love and grace. Sometimes, God will call us out, not for our glory, but for His Glory. Our lives are to be a testimony for others to see a way to a loving God who created the heavens and the earth. Your testimony matters!

The Bible says that Jesus was deeply distressed and angry at the uncaring hearts of the religious leaders. Anger is not wrong but what we do with it matters. Jesus corrected a problem while being upset, healing a man's hand. Use your anger to find corrective solutions rather than to tear down people. I remember seeing a child and a pig drinking water together from the same water hole and a brother and sister who shared a pair of shoes while walking to school in Africa. I burned with a desire to correct this unfortunate injustice. With your help and God's leading, we are making a difference in people's lives around the world. We know that it is wrong for a people to not the see the goodness of a loving Creator and God. Your witness makes a difference.

Finally, many people hated Jesus because He challenged them to change their destinies and their attitudes. Living the Christian life definitely has benefits like inner joy, peace of mind and self-control, but there will always be an adversary everywhere we go. I believe that is why Jesus left us with the Holy Spirit, to help stretch us and to accomplish His task in our lives.





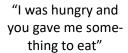
Our daughter, Jessica Blackwood, gave a thought provoking devotion about using your talents and mind for God's glory. Each of the indigenous pastors and spouses appreciated her insights and information. Her words set up the incubation seminar for success. May God continue to bless the young people with these international efforts of hope and love.





Congratulations Minister Sh'kur Francis! We are so proud of you and your Master of Divinity Degree from the Candler School of Theology, Emory University. It has been our joy to celebrate with you as you have pursued your love for God and County. Good Job!

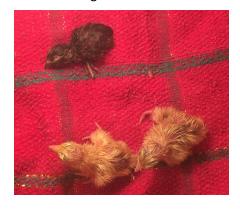
Enny preparing for the first incubator chicks in Costa Rica. We have taken the concept of chicken development to USA, Africa, Central and South America.







Indigenous Pastor Bartisa and his wife, Saida, were ready to put this new incubator technology to work. They incubated 56 eggs! The energy and excitement is beautiful. May God add His wisdom and blessings to these laborers.





### **Outstanding Georgia Citizens Award**

Nancy and I received the Outstanding Georgia Citizens
Award under the Georgia Dome. The resolution was
read and adopted on March 7, 2018. Thank you
Representative James Bubber Epps for presenting us
this award today; we were blessed and humbled to
be the recipients of this distinctive resolution and
honor. Also, we are grateful for your leadership and
labors for the State of Georgia.

May God continue to bless your works and the state of Georgia.

