

A New Walk *Rom 6:4 (KJV)...Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*

Meet Ditiro

Ditiro [dee-tee-row] a junior in High School has been growing in his new found faith in Christ. He is one of the five that is looking forward in taking the step of obedience in believer's baptism. This past week he had real trial to bear. The first of the week he got in contact with me reporting that his family wanted him to participate in what the witchdoctor had prescribed for their family. Their house in their home village, their place of birth, was declared by the witchdoctor to have a curse upon it in which none of the family members would ever prosper in life and the only way to avoid the calamity was for each to bath in a medicine of his. Ditiro had an idea as a new believer what he should or should not do and so asked me for counsel. The difficult area was how he could be obedient to his parents and at the same time refuse to participate in their traditional ways. He later on in the week got back to assure me that he was standing firm and that he had God's peace.

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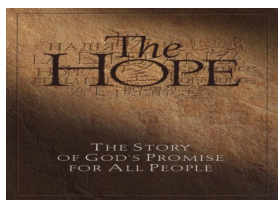
Ditiro

Prayer spotlights

- **Ditiro** that his testimony amongst his family will be stronger than their belief in the witch doctor's medicine and that he might have opportunity to share the gospel with them.
- **Oarabile** that while on his back he might look beyond the ceiling and have a real conversation with the One that bought him with His precious blood. That when released he will take up where he left off in his **walk** with God and fellow believers.
- **Coming Lord's Day**

Oarabile We have asked you to pray for Oarabile [wah-raw-bee-lay] the young man growing in his relationship with God and one another until he fell into sin with one of the young ladies in the church. He has basically shunned returning and last Saturday he hitched hiked a ride into the capital city and not known to him the driver was drunk. The driver involved themselves in a road accident in which Oarabile broke his collar bone along with some other dislocations and a bruised head. This past Friday his shoulder was operated on and will remain in the hospital perhaps yet another week. He told me "Pastor I experienced something, I was dead." And so I appended, "and they cut you open just as you do with a butchered animal." He enjoyed that part!

Coming Lord's Day



This coming Lord's Day we are anticipating different age groups participation in the study of Revelation chapter 5 for our early Bible study. We will then proceed in the showing of the film "The Hope" the story of God's promise for all people. The morning activities will be culminated by five demonstrating their faith in believer's baptism. When we resume in the evening we will continue our study in the basic doctrines of the Word of God.

Of course, providing we have electrical power as the past two weeks we have been without. The power cable that supplies us from the utility to the building has been cut by thieves four times and stolen three times. Back on the 28th of March was when it was stolen for the third time. The power company replace it the following Friday on the 4th of April. In thinking how to help prevent I engineered connecting the cable to our security alarm and monitoring system. The next night the thieves were back and cut the cable but with the alarm catching them by surprise they fled the scene leaving their makeshift ladder and the live cable lying on the ground. The foreman of the power company asking how I managed was quite enlightened and said "they won't be back again, they won't." Reason being is that to their knowledge the only thing that could have caused the alarm to go off was God Himself or what they believe in more than God that witchcraft was involved. Believe it or not the power company let the cable remain as it was until a week later, this past Friday, before reconnection and it was still there untouched!

So how can you pray with us? Well, for this coming Lord's Day that members will invite family and friends to the services of whom will be responsive and join them. Then that in showing of the film "The Hope" that they will understand the clear message of salvation as it is presented from Genesis to the cross and once again be responsive by accepting God's gracious gift. We are thankful for you and your faithful support enabling us to make known His ways on earth and His salvation among the nations (Ps 67:2) and pass on the baton of 2 Timothy 2:2.

Stephen & Ruth Ann