

# AFRICAN MISSION NEWS VOLUME 65 & 66.

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We are passionately valuing the gospel of Christ, and are committed to the mission of communicating it to the poor and rich of the World. At the same time. Values the unique collaboration among the African Mission sponsors, congregations, Healing Hands International USA, Truth for Today Mission School, and the Voice of Truth International, USA. Who are partnering with our local Ministers of the gospel in the North central, and some region of Nigeria to equip the believers and unbelievers with the truth word of God. Through spiritual encouragement, support, and prayers. Virginia had a similar thought which says “cooperation is the thorough conviction that nobody can get there unless everybody get there” but this is sometimes very hard because of the individualist principles and challenges of working as team players for the unity of the Church.

This newsletter is combination of the last and first quarter 2017, and 2018. It contains Be humble before God, and **God’s Riches At Christ’s Expense**.

Now let’s pick them as follows:

### **BE HUMBLE BEFORE GOD.**

At the Church of Christ- Nigeria. National Ministers Forum which was held at Jalingo 1-7 November 2017. During this annual conference, all the preachers from the North-eastern Nigeria cried in bitterness and roll down in heavy tears of pains and sorrows because the Lord’s Church has been taken into captive by the Islamic extremists called Boko Haram. There is no help from any sister congregation in Nigeria or outside for either food, shelter, or water to drink. Their children are out of school, and roaming about on the streets of Nigeria. While the wicked of this world are abusing them in an inhuman ways, so we are writing this not just for writing sake. We are humbling soliciting on their behave that someone should please lift a helping hand to these brethren who are dying in hunger and poverty. The next conference is coming up in November 2018.

The below summarized events that took place during this quarter:

1. Church of Christ Kuje Abuja organized sister’s seminar 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2017. One soul obeyed the gospel.
2. Hanatu Solomon and Tesileem Adepoju marriage took place at All saints Church. Army barrack Keffi on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 and Doka A. Obadiah delivered admonition on the topic building a strong and successful marriage.

3. Doka A. Obadiah initiated a family reunion for all his extended family members, who are numbered to 60 people from five extend families of Doka Ehipha. Some attended the reunion which took placed in Keffi 5-8 Oct 2017. Doka Obadiah introduced plan of salvation to them which will continue in the meeting of 2018, and everyone's prayers is needed for these families to obey the gospel of Christ.

4. Drip Irrigation sensitization campaign 24 November 2017. The leaders of 100 communities attended the campaign and agreed to open drip irrigation in their various communities and individuals will practice it, but they promise to invite Doka back to the individual local communities.

Now let's report first quarter 2018 as follows:

### **GOD'S RICHES AT CHRIST'S EXPENSE.**

There was a gospel minister, who rightly described the grace has **God's Riches At Christ's Expense**. This acrostic of the "unmerited favor" Grace is God freely providing for African Mission, all that we will ever yearn for. All of these Unmerited favors giving to us freely during the last mission visit of Doka A. Obadiah to the USA from Jan 9-February 14 2018, which was decided and approved by the leadership of Church of Christ meeting at the Rogersville, Al. with the supports of all the Congregations, and individuals who made it successful.

This pen and space in this paper will not be able to list all the names that made this visit a success, so we are saying THANK YOU TO ALL, and God bless you in abundance. We will not be shy to mention that there was some titin challenges, but by God's Riches At Christ Expense. All turned to be triumph in Christ Jesus. As result of this kindly see the summarized successes that we all achieved:

1. Christian Volunteers flued their vehicles, transported, accommodated, fed, and supplied necessities for Doka's comfort at the following States: Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Illinois, and Kentucky.
2. Gifts for Grace O. Doka's marriage which took place on 24 March 2018.
3. Strong united friendship and fellowship in Christ sealed.
4. Spiritual relationship with God and fellow Christians bounded in Christ.
5. Collaborative and Team Spirit bounded in Christ for Africa mission work.
6. Strategic gospel plan for dying Northern Nigeria and whole of Nigeria.
7. Doka A. Obadiah returned home safely, and had sincere started briefing the individuals and Churches involved in the Africa mission.
8. Doka A. Obadiah's house rent Had been paid for 2017-2019

The following persons obeyed the gospel of Christ. At the two campaigns for Christ:

A. Northern Preachers Campaign for Christ was held at Church of Christ Kudiri 4-11 March 2018. Five persons of obeyed the gospel.

B. Church of Christ Kutunku organized campaign for Christ from 4-7 April 2018 and no baptism, but the following were baptized in this same church

1. Bana James. Jan 11.2018

2. Blessing Samson. Jan 11. 2018

3. Gideon Ado. Jan 11.2018

4. Kemi Jan 2018

5. Jacob Anyebe 10 April.2018.

6. Ramatu Tsaku (Doka A. Obadiah's mother) April 19.2018. Several brethren encouraged Ramatu to obey the gospel of Christ, so on Monday 16 April. 2018. Tim C. Miller spoke to her through face book messenger, and motivated her to see reasons why she should be baptized into Christ. As result of this Thursday morning she willingly asked can she be baptized now. At about 530 pm Nigeria time she was added to the body of Christ. The last report is thank you from the Doka's.

## ***THANK YOU.***

The family of Doka A. Obadiah would like to thank you very much for the cards, and all kind of marriage gifts shown to Grace & Isaac during marriage celebration. Your supports, Encouragements, Prayers and communication at this time, was very much appreciated and of great comfort to all of the family members. This wedding took place 24-25 March. 2018 with three thousand people in attendance, and our relatives arrived Abuja from 17-30 March 2018.

### **LOUDEST COMMUNICATION FROM PICTURES:**



**From left are some Elders (Doug Segar's, Gene Barrett, and Members of the West President Church of Christ. Mississippi) sister Patty Wilson, Katy, Rhonda Davis and Bill Bruner.**



From the left is Edie Cloe (Editor of Truth For Today) & Doka, Clarence Wilson and two faithful sisters in the Lord. Searcy Arkansas



Doka, Heather and Lee Harrell. Searcy. Arkansas



Doka back to Feed Hardman University. Henderson, Tennessee.



Doka at Church of Christ, Rogersville Alabama with the Bayes.



Doka now in Chicago with Tim Miller and some brethren at West Chicago Church of Christ. Illinois.



Doka at Healing Hands International with the President (Art Wood), and Jake Tincher. Nashville, TN.



Davis Ricky, and Some brethren in Kentucky, Alex Bayes, and Doka at Nashville Airport.



Paul Irimia and Abimiku Obadiah at Airport. Doka back home Feb 14. 2018





**March 5. 2018. Doka reporting his Missionary work to the Northern Preachers Campaign Team for Christ at Kurdiri Church of Christ.**



**Church of Christ-Nigeria. National Ministers Forum. Jalingo Nov 1-7. 2017**



**Obadiah) baptized 19 April 2018.**

**Ramatu Tsaku (Mother of Doka A,**



**Jacob Anyenbe baptized 10 April.2018**

**CONCLUSION.** It is no longer news that Nigeria still remain a battle ground for the gospel of Christ to grow, because up till today many Christians are dying in hunger and poverty. There is a loud cry for water, food and shelter for them, so who will help? "Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us but our sufficiency is from God" (2 Cor 3:5-6)