

The true Christmas message is about the life of Jesus Christ Himself. Isaiah 9:6 says, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." John 16: 33 says, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." So through Jesus Christ, we have joy and peace, no matter what is happening in this wicked world. Hallelujah! Let us give thanks to the Lord for He is good; for His loving kindness lasts forever and ever, Amen! Merry Christmas and happy new year in advance!

Dear Partners,

Before I make a list of the year-end performance review, on behalf of DCEA, I thank God for your faithful prayers and financial support over years. **Honestly, we are so blessed to have you as our ministry friends.** The ministry can't operate without you! THANK YOU so much from the bottom of our hearts; it means so much! **And we would appreciate your last donation for 2022.**

Below is the list of our activities (Note: for more details, kindly visit www.ceaforchrist.org and clink on "news").

PUERTO RICO:

- 1. Camp in Adjunat, three Deaf souls were saved and baptized.
- 2. Visited Deaf families' homes throughout island.
- 3. Group bible study.
- 4. Worked with a Hearing missionary named Bob Bell from South Carolina.
- 5. Evangelism and preaching in Deaf churches and homes.









NIGERIA:

- 1. Renovated and completed the 4 bedroom Mission apartment house.
- 2. Did a Mission apartment dedication service and over 100 people attended.
- 3. Surprise 70th birthday celebration for my wife, Bukola.
- 4. Successful 5th conference held in Abeokuta with over 35 participants.
- 5. About 10 participants rededicated their lives to Christ.
- 6. Purchased a new 3/4 acre of land in August, 2022 for Deaf Christian Training & Conference center in the heart of Ibadan.
- 7. Received a notice to vacate our temporary place of worship & fellowship by Nov. 30th because the building is being sold.
- 8. Relocated the branch of DCEA to a temporary location at the Deaf school in Molete until construction is completed on the newly purchased land.



THE PLAN/VISION FOR 2023: Over the past 22 years, I visited Africa several times, and have seen a great need for Deaf people there to learn about our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord put a burden on my heart to establish a training/conference center, multipurpose hall and staff home in Nigeria:

- 1. to teach, train and mentor Deaf leaders to lead, train and encourage Deaf youth;
- 2. to train Deaf leaders and future leaders to effectively share their faith;
- 3. to prepare and equip leaders to establish ministries that will fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus;
- 4. to emphasize physical education, so that our students will be able to compete in local and international competitions, as a means of leading others to Christ.

The center will not only serve Nigeria, but neighboring countries in Africa as well. Courses will include religious studies, entrepreneurship, skill development, and the application of technology to their businesses and personal lives. Nigeria and other countries in Africa have a shortage of sign language professionals. This Deaf training center will use new technology to ensure that the courses are taught effectively in a visual way to the Deaf students/trainees.

DCEA has purchased land that is in the center of town. It is in a very good location with easy access for Deaf people. Hallelujah! By God's grace, the master plan will include a 3 story building that will house 150 students, multipurpose hall, including indoor games for the youth and a 10 bedroom staff house. However, we cannot afford to pay to complete the project without your help.

The estimated cost to complete the project is about \$1.5 million U.S. This includes conference/training center, staff house, well, sport facilities, equipment and humble furnishings. Note: Current Nigerian rate is 750 +/- = \$1.

Seeing this vision become a reality, depends on friends like you - with your prayers, participation and financial giving. Your financial support will enable Deaf Christian Evangelistic Association, International (DCEA) to provide high quality leadership training, along with education and spiritual development for Deaf people in Nigeria and beyond.

Helping make this dream become a reality is a Deaf Evangelism Team Leader and two Assistant Evangelism Team Leaders in Nigeria. Their job is to support Deaf churches, win souls of Deaf children, youth and adults, and train them to do the same. We are paying them a minimal monthly salary.

THANK YOU: As always, thank you for your continued prayers and financial support. However, if you wish to donate for the building project specifically, you may do so. Please either click the donate button at www.ceaforchrist.org or send us a check made payable to DCEA at 25 Svenson Road, Shrewsbury, MA 01545. Please know that your donations are 100% tax deductible. With your support, we can make a positive impact on the lives of Deaf people for eternity. To God be the glory!!!

Joy and Peace,

Job & Bukola Ayantola

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