

# News & Views

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### Ethiopian Outreach Ministry

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### Purpose of Ethiopian Outreach Ministry

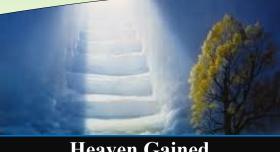
- Reach unreached Ethiopians with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Teach and encourage Ethiopian believers to be strong in their faith and help them grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ and the scriptures.
- Prepare Ethiopians for various ministries in churches and fellowships.
- Help Ethiopians in their efforts of church planting in different countries.
- Produce printed materials of Christian education and Bible studies, audio resources and radio programs.
- Conduct seminars,
- Train and develop future church leaders and teachers.





Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful servants.





## Heaven Gained EOM Lost



Lois R. Anderson died at York Hospital on April 16, 2013 at the age of 95. Lois was a faithful servant of Jesus Christ and a loyal friend and supporter of Ethiopian Outreach Ministry. Lois' rela-

tionship with EOM goes back forty some years—when she first met Melese Wogu during her missionary years in Ethiopia.

Here is Dr. Wogu in his own words, "It was a

sad day for all of us when we learned that Lois Anderson went home to be with her Lord and Savior. Though she lived 95 years, since her death was sudden and quick, we were all shocked. But this is not a mo-

ment for us to shed tears but to celebrate her life and to be thankful that we were given the chance to know her. I met Lois a little over forty years ago, when she was the principal of the American Girls' School in Addis Abeba, Ethiopia. She was young and energetic, serving her Lord to the fullest. Other words I can use to describe her would be selfless, dynamic, sacrificial, loving and a true joy to be around. We, here at EOM, have lost such a great, loving, and special person.

I believe that God always brings special people into our lives for a purpose. That was true of Lois Anderson. After completing her mission work in Ethiopia, God extended her service among Ethiopians here in the U.S.A by making her a ministry partner with EOM, a ministry that reaches out to the widely dispersed Ethiopians around the world. True to her character, Lois' partnership with our ministry was not limited to financial support but it extended to volunteering at the of-

fice and other EOM related events. So, there are many memories and events that we shared with Lois over the years. They will be cherished and remembered. There are also unforgettable lessons we have learned from her life—generosity being one of them. Numerous times, when our ministry's finances had hit rock bottom, God used Lois to rescue us. He also used her to purchase, renovate and maintain our York office. Even though she is no longer with us, her finger prints are all over EOM.

Lois continues to impact Ethiopians, around the world, through the ministry of EOM. She will be missed, but not for long. It is comforting to know that one day we will see her again. Lois touched our lives in extraordinary ways. We are forever grateful that she was there for us whenever we needed her. May the Lord continue to comfort her sister, Janice Anderson."

Miss Lois, as I, Sossy, used to call her, was a very good and dear friend of mine. She was the kind of friend of whom can be said, "A friend in need is a friend indeed". She was a kind-hearted

and generous sister who had stepped in and helped me out whenever I needed help. She was also a loving person who was able to make you feel loved. I knew she loved me—reflected in her endearing

words, loving actions, and facial expressions whenever she saw me. That is why loosing her is so hard.

Miss Lois was witty and funny. One of my favorite stories has to do with her shopping for a cane. She asked the sales woman if they had a pretty cane, and the woman replied that they did. Next, Lois asked if the cane can be folded and put in her purse. The woman again replied in the affirmative. At that moment, the manager who had been listening to the whole conversation stepped out from the back room and asked Lois if she wanted a pretty cane that can been folded and put in her purse. She replied that she did. The manager then simply asked, "Is this pride?" and Lois without missing a beat replied, "Yes".

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#### **Living a Transformed Life**

Yeshi, a mother of three girls, living in Europe, has been a recipient of EOM's materials since 1999. The letters she used to send in those early years depicted a

woman who was confused, distraught and just all over the place. In her letters she would say that the only things that kept her going was Dr. Wogu's teachings. As years went by, she started calling the office and getting counseling via the phone which dramatically changed her life for the better.

It was amazing to "watch" her grow. I believe one of the reasons for the dramatic transformation was her willingness to implement the advice she was given. She was not only a hearer but a doer of the Word as commanded by scripture. With the transformation came boldness, which got the attentions of the Ethiopian church leaders. Consequently, they asked her to lead the women's ministry. She accepted and during her time of ser-

vice, God used her in the area of speaking the truth without compromise.

Yeshi's love for Jesus was and continues to be unwavering. No matter how difficult life got, especially, in her marriage, she endured by keeping Jesus' suffering at the forefront of her thought life. Even now, after her husband has left her, she continues to rely on Jesus, the teachings of EOM and the counsel of Dr. Wogu. God in turn has blessed her by opening doors for her to go to cooking school so she can work and support her family. In the meantime, she has been supporting EOM financially from the little income she receives from the government.

The lesson I have learned from Yeshi's life is that no matter what our circumstances are, living out the Christian life as mandated by God is a personal choice and a willingness to stand up to the Old Self.

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### ~May 2013 Banquet~



#### Praise and Prayer Corner

- Praise God for our volunteers who donate their time and expertise so willingly.
- Praise God for the May banquet that went well—raised a total of \$10,336.00.
- Pray for more partners, individuals and churches, to join this ministry and support us through prayer and financial donations.
- Pray for the Leadership Training Center building project in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- Pray for the persecuted church in Eritrea and other countries. For more information go to worthynews.com

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