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## National Convention



The National Convention of Churches was a great success! Not only did we have representatives from each of the 41 churches, but LaNelle and I were accompanied by visitors from America. Tim & Lauren Carter with CORE

MISSIONS came for the purpose of interviewing pastors for support. Their friends, Dan & Rachel White, also attended. Dan is a pastor as well as a professional photographer and videographer.

Satan always attempts to hinder where he knows the gospel is going to be proclaimed. Some of our people arrived late because the Bush Bakka they paid to transport them was halted by thieves along the trail. They were robbed of everything. Convention attendees graciously took up an offering and were

able to help them complete the remainder of their journey. You could see

discouragement on the faces as they walked through the door but the "joy of the Lord" could not be contained long. They were greeted with cheers and hugs from their Christian friends and were soon singing and dancing... leaving their troubles behind. They said, "At least we got away with our lives." *"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Ps. 46:1*

We continued with preaching by Ben and Tim, and I had the pleasure of baptizing more than 20 believers.

## "CORE" joins "GAP" in a UNITED EFFORT

GAP Missions has finalized land purchases for every church. However, it takes years for villagers to construct their worship center. After pastor interviews, Tim could see it was impossible for a pastor to quit farming and work full time in building the church because his family was totally dependent on crops to survive. So the decision was made to support each pastor \$100 per month with the agreement that the pastor would set aside a number of hours per week to evangelize and "grow" the church. With the aid of their family on their farm, they said it was possible.

Pastors, as well as church members, live on meager fare and there is little extra money to build their worship center. So in a joint effort between churches and COREmissions, CORE has agreed to ask for donations to help them build. Each church will raise \$30, \$40, or \$50 per month and CORE will donate three times the amount respectively. That means American Donors will promise around \$200 per month for a three year period. The churches were excited by the possibility as they understood this proposal would shorten construction time drastically. We will see a vast difference in the "look" of our mission in three years... or perhaps in even less time. "THANK YOU" CORE for your heart to advance our mission. We also need help putting roofs on the "almost" completed worship centers that were already in progress. Roofs normally cost about \$1,500.

*Thank you for your prayers and support.*

