

ALIVE-Nigeria

August 2014 MISSION OUTREACH REPORT (Uyanga Mission Site) CROSS RIVER STATE

OUR MOTIVATION...

From 2012 Statistics,

NWNUM

- Organized in 1972 & Reorganized in 2004
- 393 organized churches
- Adventist membership of 124,017 persons
- Population of Nigerians in NWNUM is 111,962,850

ENUM

- Organized in 2004
- 506 organized churches
- Adventist membership of 164,305 persons
- Population of Nigerians in ENUM is 50,302,150

Ratio of Adventist to Non-Adventist in ENUM=> 1:306

Ratio of Adventist to Non-Adventist in NWNUM=> 1:903

Adventism came into Nigeria since 1914 ???

7 Core Principles of ALIVE-Nigeria

- 1. Mission to un-entered areas
- 2. Total obedience and study of God's Word
- 3. Acceptance of <u>ALL</u> Spirit of Prophecy writings
- 4. Selfless, godly missionary lifestyle
- 5. Excellence in all spheres of life
- 6. Praying without ceasing
- 7. Community service

INTRODUCTION

- In August 2014, ALIVE-Nigeria embarked on a 3-week missionary outreach to a community in Cross River State – Uyanga, from 3rd to 23rd of August.
- Uyanga is one of the 10 major communities in Akamkpa L.G.A of Cross River State, southern Nigeria.
- This mission recorded a high turnout of missionaries drawn from different parts of Nigeria. Initially, 127 missionaries had arrived the mission field in the first week, and were later joined by 8 others in the second week, <u>making a total of 135 missionaries</u>. To the glory of God, this is the highest number of missionaries ALIVE-Nigeria has recorded in 1 mission site.



INSIGHTS ABOUT UYANGA...

Uyanga is located in Akamkpa LGA of Cross River State. This community is predominantly Evangelical, with different Christian churches spread across the community.

□These people showed very great interest in Bible studies, tracts and even prayers, from the Community head to the least member of the community.

□As a result, the daily attendance of children and adults was quite impressive. Even when we experienced occasional heavy rains during the program, they still came out under the rain to hear the Word of God.

□In general, the people of Uyanga were very hospitable and friendly to the missionaries.



GROUND BREAKING (Long Term Missionaries & Medical Missionaries)

MORNING CRY

TWO-BY-TWO WITNESSING

EVENING EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGNS

COMMUNITY SERVICE

GROUND BREAKING

On the 13th of July, 2014, three weeks before the evangelistic campaigns, 3 ground breakers (Long Term Missionaries) arrived Uyanga to mix with the indigenes, make friends with them and prepare their hearts to receive the pure words of life.

On the 3rd of August 2014, a team of Medical missionaries also arrived Uyanga community (a week before the kickoff of the Uyanga mission) to treat the sick members of the community for free, with the use of <u>natural remedies and herbs</u> around them.



MEDICAL MISSIONARY SERVICES

- By the end of the mission outreach, over 800 patients were treated of various life threatening illnesses, most of which had returned with testimonies of God's healing mercies.
- The major natural remedies used for the treatment were Activated charcoal, cayenne, pepper, moringa and green tea.
- All the missionaries were also given a daily dosage of these natural remedies.



DAILY ROUTINE

The missionaries' daily routine was as follows: 5:30 – 7am ----- Devotion / Morning Cry 7am – 8am ----- Clean Up 8-9am----- Training 9-10am----- Breakfast 10 -11:30am-----Bible Study 11:30 - 2:30pm----- Door to door (Two by Two) 2:30 - 3:30pm-----Siesta/video sermon 3:30 - 4:50pm----- Lunch 4:50 - 5:50pm----- Preparation for Open Air Evangelism 6:00 - 8:00pm----- Outdoor crusade 8:30 - 9:00pm----- Debrief session 9:00 - 10:00pm----- Devotion 10:00pm ----- Lights Out

MORNING CRY

We started our day with prayers and proceeded to pray with the community before they left their homes.

We adopted two methods:

- The morning cry
- The house-to-house prayers with families in the community.

The later method helped the missionaries identify specific prayer requests for the community.



TRAINING SESSIONS

To equip every volunteer in the mission, we had training and Bible study sessions using excerpts from the Spirit of Prophecy and video recordings of seasoned Evangelists. Some topics treated were:

- > Appeals and Altar Calls
- Short Patient Contacts with Lasting Impacts
- Gaining Decisions for Christ



PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

- Asides Personal/Group devotions and United Prayer sessions, volunteers were encouraged to pray with <u>at least 5 people</u> everyday.
- A lot of challenges were resolved by this means; we found relieve and assurance from these moments.





TWO BY TWO WITNESSING

- Every day, we set out in pairs to homes, farms and shops to share the gospel of Christ with people. Missionaries were sent in pairs to the entire community of Uyanga.
- An average of 200 Bible studies were given on a daily basis , to a total of about 1500 persons in the community.
- This exercise also served as a means to invite them for the open air crusade later in the evening.



EVENING CRUSADE

- Saint Paul's Primary School, Uyanga was the venue for the Open-Air Crusade.
- Every night, from 10th- 24th, August over 120 men and women (children included) came out to listen to the Word of God.
- A total of about 430 visitors attended the program.
- God, through His servant Evangelist Nnamdi Ogidi, spoke Words of salvation to the people of Uyanga. While Medical Missionary John Hezekiah interpreted in Efik language.





CHILDREN OUTREACH

- The Children were not left behind.
- Every night, their teachers taught them important truth from the Word of God. Truth about the Sabbath, the Bible, the Law of God, etc.





The use of audio-visuals was employed to reach these children.

MEAL TIMES

□Meal times were happy times. 2 <u>vegetarian meals</u> were served everyday.

□The missionaries had sourced for lots of foodstuff from their various locations.

□Some missionaries who have volunteered to serve as official Caterers for ALIVE-Nigeria assisted in preparing very tasty and healthy vegetarian food.

□They also taught the other missionaries how to prepare some vegetarian meals.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

- On the 17th of August, 2014, all the missionaries set out to serve the community. We were divided into 12 groups, with our cleaning implements allocated to us.
- We shared the Love of Christ by cleaning and clearing the market.





COMMUNITY SERVICE (CONT'D)

- We returned the following market day to share tracts to the buyers and sellers.
- They were so thrilled to see the missionaries and expressed their gratitude for the cleaning job done.





WELFARE OUTREACH

By God's grace, we received a donation of over 10 bags of clothes, shoes and bags for adult and children before the Mission commenced.

We informed the Community head of our intent to reach the less privileged with these materials and he mobilized the community members to come to his house.



WELFARE OUTREACH (CONT'D)

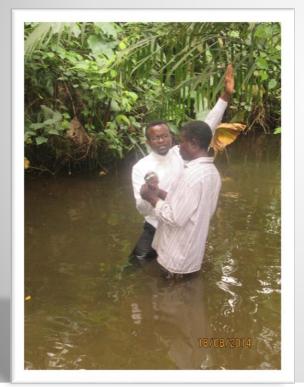


□The less privileged trooped out in their numbers to receive the welfare materials.

□Again by God's grace, we put smiles on the faces of the poor and needy, the widows, children and elderly.



 To the glory of God, Uyanga mission recorded the baptism of 40 persons who publicly decided to join God's Remnant Church.





NEWLY BAPTIZED

- 10 Volunteers offered to stay behind for 1 week to nurture the newly baptized.
- 3 Long Term Missionaries would remain with the new brethren to nurture them for a few months.



Praise God! One (1) new SDA Church has been planted in Uyanga, Cross River State.



For your prayers, donations, time and effort contributed to reach lost souls!