

ALIVE-Nigeria

Preliminary Mission Report

May 2015

MISSION OUTREACH REPORT

(Onicha-Olona Mission Site)

DELTA STATE



7 Core Principles of ALIVE-Nigeria

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



OUR MOTIVATION

SDA Church (Nigeria) Statistics from 2012

NWNUM

- ❑ Organized in 1972 & Re-organized 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



May 2015 Mission Sites



Ogun State
(Owode-Egba)

Delta State
(Onicha-
Olona)

- ❑ In May 2015, 226 Missionaries from across Nigeria embarked on two (2) weeks Outreach to mission sites in Ogun & Delta states.



INTRODUCTION

- ❑ In May 2015, ALIVE-Nigeria conducted a 3-weeks mission outreach to Onicha - Olona, Delta State.
- ❑ Volunteers travelled from Aba, Akwa Ibom, Cross River, Delta, Edo, Port Harcourt, & Jos to Onicha-Olona. They included Secondary school leavers, Undergraduates, Graduate Professionals: Engineers, Teachers, Lecturers, Accountants, etc. and Elders/Pastors of the SDA Church.
- ❑ A total of 134 volunteers participated in the May 2015 Mission to Onicha - Olona.

MISSION VOLUNTEERS



ONICHA-OLONA IN BRIEF

- ❑ Onicha-Olona is a community in Aniocha North LGA in Delta State. It is approximately 35km from Asaba, the state capital.
- ❑ This area is considered an un-entered area by the SDA Church. The community consists roughly 50% Pagans while the other half includes a mix of Catholics and Protestants.
- ❑ The people of Onicha-Olona were very receptive; they had lived in darkness, devoid of the truth for so long. Thus, with little exposure to the true teachings of the Holy Scriptures, they craved for more, requested even more Bible studies, and gladly received the health exposition.

ALIVE NIGERIA MISSION APPROACH

- ❑ GROUND BREAKING (Long-Term Missionaries & Medical Missionaries)
- ❑ MORNING CRY
- ❑ WITNESSING (TWO-BY-TWO)
- ❑ OPEN AIR EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN (EVENINGS)
- ❑ COMMUNITY SERVICE
- ❑ WELFARE SERVICE



GROUND BREAKING

- On the 8th of April, 4 weeks to the main Evangelistic campaign, Two (2) Long Term Missionaries (LTM) arrived Onicha-Olona to mix with the indigenes, make friends with them and prepare their hearts through daily Bible study and exposition of our fundamental beliefs with willing persons.
- On the 3rd of May, a week to the commencement of the main Evangelistic campaign, 8 Medical Missionaries arrived Onicha-Olona to provide free medical treatment to the sick using natural remedies and herbs found within the community. This also served to introduce the community to what we understand as the right arm of the Gospel – Our Health Message.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY SERVICES

- ❑ Natural remedies used for treatment included Activated charcoal, Cayenne pepper, Moringa, Green tea etc.
- ❑ People came en masse to receive treatment and counsel on health and general wellbeing.
- ❑ Common ailments treated with natural remedies were edema, hypertension, infections etc.
- ❑ Every missionary received a daily dose of green tea and activated charcoal during the mission.



SPECIAL TESTIMONIES

God's presence was ever abiding with us, evidenced by some wonderful testimonies:

1. God changed the lives of our newly baptized members, their family and volunteers who were obviously living under the bondage of sin. They expressed their feelings with these words:

“Thank God for making me an Adventist”...

“The prayers of ALIVE Nigeria changed the lives of my family members”...

2. God consistently healed our volunteers each time they broke down in sickness.
3. Needs and heart desires (ours and those of our prospects) were met by our Loving Father as we remained faithful in prayers during the mission.
4. One of our newly baptized member safely gave birth to a healthy baby during the mission.
5. Volunteers expressed their gratitude to God for the opportunity to: learn the doctrines of the SDA Church, learn to pray, learn how to study the word of God systematically, & for the privilege to witness boldly.



MISSION SUMMARY

The blessings of God (baptisms, Bible studies etc.) and general attendance during the two (2) weeks campaign are captured below:

Items	Amount
No. of Bible studies given	1155
No. of prayers offered at different times to the community members	1112
Total attendance of adults for open- air evangelism	1211
Total attendance of children in their section	707
Total number of baptism	61

DAILY ROUTINE

Daily routine for the mission is outlined below:

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



MORNING CRY

Our days began with short bible exhortation and prayer, after which the missionaries proceeded into the community to pray with the people of Onicha-Olona very early in the mornings.

We adopted two methods:

- ❑ The Morning cry
- ❑ House-to-House prayer with families

The later method helped the missionaries identify specific prayer requests from different households in the community.



TRAINING SESSIONS

Daily Bible study and training was conducted using excerpts from the Spirit of Prophecy and videos from Pastor Stephen Bohr's Secrets Unsealed series to equip our missionaries in preparation for outreach.

Some of the topics treated were:

- ❑ Prayer Power
- ❑ Counterfeit Prayers
- ❑ His way is in the Sanctuary
- ❑ The Incarnation 7 Secrets
- ❑ The Lamb of God slain
- ❑ Reaping the Sanctuary's benefits
- ❑ The triangle of Sanctification

PRAYING WITHOUT CEASING

- ❑ Missionaries were encouraged to pray with at least 5 people everyday. Avenues for prayer included devotion group, praying with outreach partners, united prayer sessions etc.
- ❑ Volunteers found physical, spiritual and mental strength through prayers and trust in God. Solutions to many problems came solely through the power of prayers.



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 out in pairs to the entire community of Onicha-Olona.
- An average of 96 Bible studies were given daily.
- On average, 92 people were prayed for and hundreds of tracts were distributed daily during the two weeks.



OPEN-AIR EVANGELISM

- ❑ Every night, from 10th- 23rd , May, an average of 100 adults came out to listen to the Word of God.
- ❑ God spoke Words of Salvation to the people of Onicha-Olona through His servant Nnamdi OGIDI.



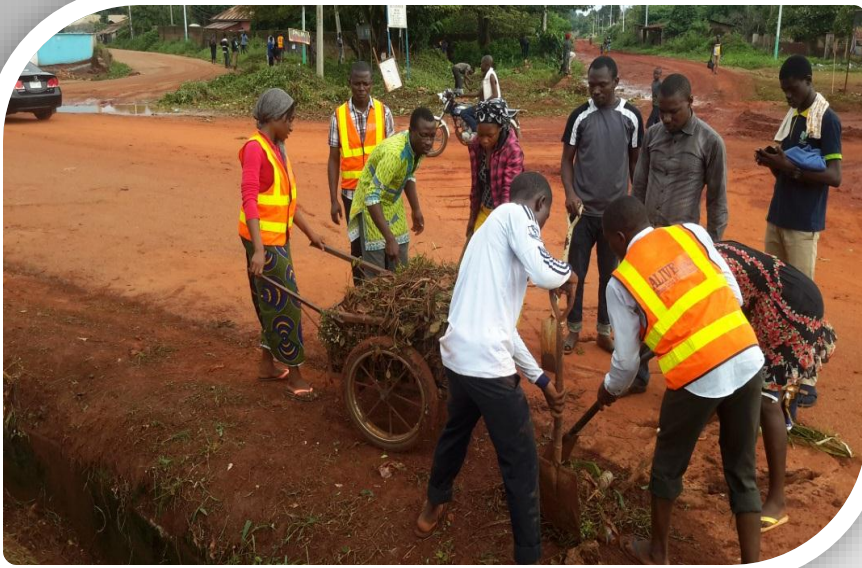
CHILDREN OUTREACH

- ❑ Through the entire week, children were taught to commit to memory the Ten Commandments and many other Bible texts. In addition to that, they also learnt Bible stories like the creation story, David and Goliath, Prophet Samuel, Naaman, just to mention a few. They showcased what they had learnt during their presentation on sabbath.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Community service was conducted on 17th of May, 2015.
- The location chosen for the community service was in the heart of the town very close to the town hall. The community square was cleared of weeds, the major road and the surroundings of the town hall was thoroughly cleaned.



COMMUNITY SERVICE (Cont'd.)

Visit to Matimo Technical Vocational College

ALIVE Nigeria received an invitation to give inspirational talks to students of the Matimo Technical Vocational College. After the first visit, the invitation was extended to include daily devotion with the students. This we did for 10 days. To the glory of God one student got baptized. *The proprietor and proprietress who are Catholics indicated interest for Bible study.*

- Members of the community were pleased with these services and voiced out their appreciation.
- That night we saw a higher turn out of visited friends during the open-air program.

COMMUNITY SERVICE (Cont'd.)



WELFARE SERVICE

- ❑ We distributed items like clothes, bags, shoes etc. for adults and children that were donated by volunteers prior to the mission.
- ❑ The villagers came in their numbers to receive these gifts. Again, by God's grace, we put smiles on the faces of the poor and needy, the widows, children and elderly.



MEAL TIMES

❑ Meal times were happy times. Vegetarian meals were served twice everyday.

❑ Food items was donated by missionaries. They sourced what food items they could from their various locations.

❑ Some missionaries volunteered to serve as official Caterers for ALIVE-Nigeria. They prepared our very tasty and healthy vegetarian meals.

❑ The caterers also taught other missionaries how to prepare some vegetarian meals.



SABBATH WORSHIP

- ❑ During the Sabbath School worship, we had several study units and a separate class for all our visitors and baptismal candidates.
- ❑ Praise God! We had the opportunity of dedicating our prospect's baby during the first Sabbath worship in Onicha-Olona.



NEWLY BAPTIZED

❑ To the glory of God, Onicha-Olona Mission was blessed with sixty one (61) baptisms. These souls gladly received the Three Angels Messages and were baptized into the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

❑ Two (2) Long Term Missionaries (LTM)

sponsored by ALIVE-Nigeria, stayed back after the mission to nurture and encourage the newly baptised for a few months.



**Praise God! One (1) new SDA
Church has been planted in Onicha-
Olona, Delta State.**





**For your prayers, donations, time
and sacrifice towards reaching lost
souls!**

