

ADOPT-A-VILLAGE MINISTRY (AAVM)



***Doing Today What Will Count for
Eternity" Matthew 28:19-20***

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HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

The Adopt-A-Village concept was conceived under the Cooperative Missions Network of the African Dispersion (COMINAD) as a tool to inspire Christian descendants of Africa to reach the world, especially the un-reached, with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The concept was introduced gradually to the FBFA churches and respective pastors for their consideration. The Association's Steering Council eventually recommended that we pursue the concept initially as a collective grouping of churches (acting as a unified force) with the belief that we could do more together than most member churches could do by acting alone.

As God would have it, a chief (Togbe Emmanuel Dzegblade, IV) from Kodzobi Village located in the Volta Region of Ghana, West Africa visited the United States and had opportunity to attend the FBFA Annual Conference in Des Moines, Iowa in July 2005. The Christian testimony of the chief and the reputation he had among the western missionaries who knew him, led the FBFA Outreach Ministry to consider Kodzobi village as its first Adopt-A-Village partner. Chief Dzegblade was elated over the prospect of a lively partnership between the FBFA and his village.

In March 2006, a team of FBFA leaders visited Kodzobi Village and met with Togbe, the elders and people with a resultant unanimous agreement that a partnership should be formed. The partnership would be mutually inclusive with both parties making measurable contributions toward the ultimate success and longevity of the relationship. The village constituency defined the initiatives best suited for their current situation and which would be the focus of the Adopt-A-Village partnership. The FBFA-Kodzobi Village partners agreed to focus on four initiatives, namely, Evangelism & Discipleship, Economics, Education and Health. Thus, the Adopt-A-Village Ministry (AAVM) at Kodzobi became an outreach ministry of the FBFA.

PURPOSE OF AAVM

- The primary purpose of the Adopt-A-Village Ministry is to build relationships between villages in Africa and churches in the West, for the purpose of furthering God's Kingdom.
- Participating individuals and churches will have opportunity to share the love of Christ in a tangible way by making sure the village is evangelized and the

believers disciplined. At the same other essential needs to the people of the village can be provided to help improve the living conditions of the people.

21st CENTURY STRATEGY

- The concept, if embraced by any people group, can have a positive effect on reaching un-reached peoples for Christ through empowerment, especially on the continent of Africa.
- Since descendents of Africa have not played a major role in global evangelization since the days of the Ethiopian eunuch a multiplication effect can take place as more and more African village people (not just people from the Western world) become active individually and collectively in carrying out the Great Commission.

MULTIPLICATION THROUGH AAVM

- FBFA proposes to adopt Kodzobi initially and seek to empower its people.
- Once Kodzobi is empowered, Kodzobi will partner with one or more FBFA churches to empower a second village.
- At the same time one or more FBFA churches also may be partnering to empower a third village.
- Once the first, second and third villages are empowered they may, in turn, partner with each other or with FBFA churches to empower additional villages.
- The process cycle is repeated continuously.

ACTIVITIES ENVISIONED (village dependent)

- Evangelism & Discipleship
 - Assist with church planting & development
 - Friendship (person to person)
 - Leadership training & discipleship
 - Lifestyle
 - Marriage & family workshops
 - Pastoral care
 - Spoken Word
 - West Africa Chieftaincy Ministry (WACM)
- Economics
 - MacroMicro Enterprise Development (MMED) business ventures
 - Farming (develop acreage as a business)
 - Life Skills training/development
 - Money management awareness
- Education
 - Community library (education/literacy)
 - Computer Literacy
 - Develop Bible based education program
 - Educational/cultural exchange
- Health
 - Community Health Evangelism
 - Eye screening & eye care
 - General Health Screening
 - Sanitation (toilet facility)
- Reconciliation

Biblical approach to ethnic reconciliation

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