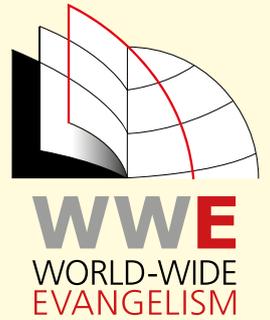


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Ethiopia will quickly  
stretch out her hands  
to God.

Psalm 68:31



Dear friends,

From **27 to 31 August** we were in **Jinka (Ethiopia)** for an evangelistic outreach. Seven churches invited us. We had been there once before, two years ago, but back then the meetings had been held in a church and we reached hundreds. This time we were in the local stadium and reached thousands over the five days.

Many people responded to the altar call and gave their lives to Jesus. We also experienced a number of healings again. On the last day, however, the rain came and the place turned into a field of mud.

In the afternoon, I preached about baptism in the Holy Spirit and the rain of the Holy Spirit fell on many hungry people. A miracle happens in your mouth when the Holy Spirit comes on you and you start to pray in new tongues, as Acts 2 describes. I then always tell people they should open their mouths in faith and begin to speak. It sounds like baby talk.

Jesus says we must become like children in order to receive the things of the Kingdom of God. Our natural reason thinks it foolish because it does not understand spiritual things. Many people in Jinka received the Holy Spirit and spoke in new tongues. Some fell over and landed in the dirt, but they did not seem to mind. At the end we had a Holy Spirit festival because the people were unstoppable in their praise and worship. You only see such things in Africa.

From **1 to 5 October** we have our next evangelistic outreach in **Arba Minch (Ethiopia)**. We have been there once before, too, three years ago. The churches have invited us to come again.

Many thanks for all your prayers and support. May God bless you all richly. Together we are collecting treasures for heaven and eternity that no one can steal.

*Ekkehard Hornburg*



For two years she had had severe pain from the shoulders down. Her children had to help her get out of bed every day. Now she is healed.



She had had kidney trouble for two years but had no money for doctors. "The God who has pity on the poor healed me," was her testimony.



The goitre was painful and caused her great difficulty in swallowing. Now all the pain has gone. We prayed that the goitre would also disappear, which we have sometimes seen happen.



For three years, he suffered pain in the lower back and the spine and was limited in his mobility. Now he can bend down and move without pain again.



For two years she suffered from rheumatism and arthritis. Now she can move without pain again.



Healed of hepatitis, and a growth in the abdomen has disappeared.



For two years she had been suffering from severe headaches caused by an evil spirit. She was set free and healed.



A friend had brought her to the meeting. She was healed of five-year-long kidney disease.

## Baptism in the Holy Spirit



His left ear had been deaf for four years. Now he can hear again.



For 13 months, his right arm had been paralyzed and he was not able to lie on his right side.



She had been suffering from gastritis for many years. She was operated on but it only got worse. She also had pain when walking. Now she is healed.



This 13-year-old girl had suffered from severe backache for three years and is now healed. Children often carry water and wood at an early age and get back problems as a result.



## Doubt: the robber of God's promises

*"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."*

*"Come," Jesus said.*

*Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came towards Jesus.*

*But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"*

*Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him.*

*"You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"*

Matthew 14:28-31

Peter had the faith to walk on the water. He got out of the boat and trusted that he could do what Jesus said. As long as he had faith, everything went well, but then Peter focused on what he felt and saw. He took his eyes off God's word and looked at the circumstances. He no longer saw Jesus but instead the storm and the waves. He became afraid and the fear drove the faith away. The miracle stopped and he began to sink.

The devil always wants to rob us of our faith. He brings adverse circumstances to make us doubt the word of God. The devil wants to distract us from God's word and make us look at the problems and difficulties. If we do that, we have been defeated.

Jesus spoke of two people who each built a house. The storm came to both houses; one house withstood the storm and the other fell victim to the storm. That means that everyone is subject to trials and difficulties. Both people may have been Christians. One of them was a doer of the word, the other only a listener. One of them resists the devil with God's word and comes out as a winner. The other doubts, asks himself: "Why is God allowing this?" and does nothing. He has never learned to use God's word. Trials and temptations do not come from God but from Satan who wants to rob us of God's word and thus of our faith.

The Bible says that we should resist the devil and he will flee from us (James 4:7). Trials and temptations make us weaker or stronger, depending on how we handle them. In temptation, our faith can stand the test and we come out of it better and stronger, without lacking anything (see James 1:4). Or we get annoyed, are moody and unstable, people without any roots, as Jesus says in Mark 4:17. These are people who have not taken time for the word to put down deep roots. As soon as difficulties come, they are disappointed and pack everything in.

God's word gives you the ability to bounce back and not give up. Abraham became strong in faith and did not doubt the promise. He neither considered his own body that was too old nor Sarah's body that was too old. Instead he believed that what God says is true, even if things do not look that way (Romans 4:19). We have the same faith.

"Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil (the day that the devil brings storms, trials and temptations) comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand." Ephesians 6:13

*Ekkehard Hornburg*