

BETHANY CHURCH OF THE COMMUNITY OF BAPTIST CHURCHES IN CENTRAL AFRICA

Introduction



Our Thanksgiving is to you Lead Pastor David Cooke of Cold Springs Church and your team for everything you have done and continue doing sothat the ministry we are leading here in Goma and DRCongo may grow.

I always read and read again Cold Springs Church's purpose or MISSION & VISION / WE ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST and become encouraged to do God's discipleship assignments with the strategies learned through ASDM.

I love how is stated the Mission (what we are doing), Cold Springs Church exists to raise up compassionate followers of Jesus Christ to be risk-takers for God.

I really pray to God to help us to do ministry following your footsteps/the Jesus' model.

We have the joy to be counted in your Vision (where God is taking us)

"...the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore.

confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen." (1 Peter 5:10–11, ESV).

By 2028 Cold Springs Church will raise up 10,000 local, national, and international leaders who live and lead out of the overflow of a Jesus-trusting life resulting in restored and strengthened families.

I am the Goma and DRCongo local leader who believe to be part of the leaders you are raising up and take this opportunity to say it out: thank you for everything you are doing to raise me up as a leader who live and lead out of the overflow of Jesus trusting life, pray for me with God's peace and grace,my heart is focused on the things of Jesus Christ's kingdom. May God help us all as a Church.

I discovered your ministry PRAYER and I made it our ministry prayer too:
Jesus, today I pray you would help me to see things the way you see them.
I pray I would feel about people the way you feel about them. I pray for the courage to say "Yes" to the adventure you invite me to live with you today.

I pray for the strength to go the extra mile. Forgive me and forgive your people where we have failed to trust you and to love each other. And I pray for your Kingdom to come, for your will to be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Please start with me. Amen.

You made it clear for me: the Values (why we are doing it) NEW FAITH & DEEP FAITH: We are passionate about seeing people come to faith and grow deep in their faith. We do this to our level, pray for us as we need all the church leaders of Bethany Church branches to see and do the same.

We are the beneficiaries of your COMPASSION WITH ACTION, God bless you so much for what you have done and continue doing.

We have a motto statement saying: the Bible is our authority and guide. Pray for us, when you at Cold Springs Church: LOVING THE WORD
We look to the written word (the Bible) and the living Word (Jesus Christ), to instruct and guide our lives through the Holy Spirit. You bless us and encourage us not to be distracted by world philosophies and doctrines of demons.

It is an other lesson and encouragement: SEEKING GOD IN WORSHIP & PRAYER We seek God in worship and prayer because he is worthy to be sought and we were made to be true worshippers of God. Prayer life and worship service has been valued and fasting prayer for the whole congregation has been scheduled monthly.

I needed to hear about DOING LIFE FACE-TO-FACE, SHOULDER-TO-SHOULDER, BACK-TO-BACK: Our conviction is a deeper life with God happens through a deeper life with each other. We place the highest value on personal relationships and doing God's work together. Pray for us, we need this in our Church and branches and are working on this through the discipleship small groups. We encouraged everybody to see himself a member of the church family.

I wanted to introduce to you how while doing ministry here we feel your baby and need our mother's Hand to move forward. I mentioned in the following pages a summary of what you have done and the impact for the ministry growth. Without your prayers and financial support, the ministry would have if not collapsed, failed to grow an inch up.

Blessings to you and Dr Ernie Frey, the Global Director of ASDM to have connected me to you.

Blessings to the Africa Director of ASDM to have visited us in the beginning of the ministry in 2017 when we were in a renting house with a few people in our congregation and prayed for us and today is present to celebrate with us what Cold Springs Church has done to help us and the ministry to be what we are now.

Again my Pastor David Cooke, God bless. I praise God for you and your presence among us here at Bethany Church location.

What you accomplished here at Bethany Church

- 1. Supported discipleship by providing funds to translate and printing lessons in Nov. 2017.
- 2. Supported the building of this Church Bethany in 2018 and two branches Yopa in January 2021 and Galilaya in 2020.
- 3. Supported the building of my house in 2019 where my family stays now.
- 4. Supported twice the leadership training conference in 2018 May and November.
- 5. Supported with a car in February 2021 the ministry and enabled me to oversee the Churches under rain and sunshine.
- 6. Supported my family and ministry with a quarterly ALLOWANCE since October-December 2018.
- 7. Supported and provided relief to the widows, widowers and third aged persons/eldery in our Churches during COVID-19 Time in May 2020.
- 8. Supported and provided relief in June 2021 to the Church members following the volcano eruption of May 2021.

Impact of your support

In brief,God used you to make us who we are now. With your support congregation of Yopa and Galilaya are having worship service in better places than before and own the buildings. A Wiseman Saïd" Put me in a good environnement for learning,I will show you how smart learner I am". Yopa and Galilaya disciples of Jesus Christ are in better places than before for learning the word of God.No worries about sunshine and rain. Thank you so much.

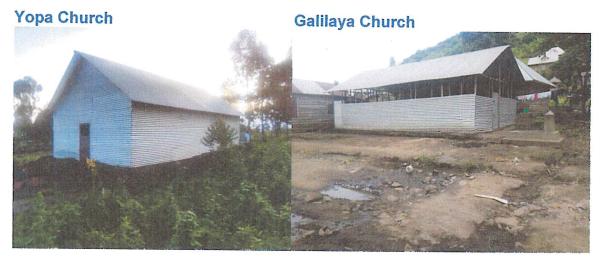
The building of my house by Cold Springs Church and the quarterly support, the purchase of the car became the answer from the Lord to my worries: Is God saying through you" I give you what you needed to serve me well". Thank you so much.

Your support to discipleship activities and Church leadership formation has helped us to be effective. We received(knowledge) what we Can give. Without these trainings opportunities, the church should be starving. Thank you so much.

The relief to our community in times of COVID-19 and volcano eruption confirmed that we are all part of you. You acted the mother Church. Your love confirms and communicates the unity that exist in the body of Christ. Thank you so much.

Some photos of the accomplishments









Vision of Bethany Church

By 2030:

- 1.We will have developed over 500 skilled Evangelist able to reach out and disciple a new believer.
- 2. We will have planted 4 New branches in new locations to keep the mission minded focus into Church leaders.
- 3.By God's grace and blessings, we will be owning the rented lands for the Churches and build in lasting materials (blocks or bricks).
- 4.We will have sent two Church leaders to a theological college sothat the ministry gets trained and strong overseers of the ministry.

Prayer request

While praying for our vision, we pray daily for:

- 1.A better Church leadership.
- 2.A better understanding of Intentional disciple-making by all the church leaders.
- 3.God's guidance and enabling us to influence with intentional discipleship strategy the church of Congo de through discipleship movement.
- 4.A continuing partnership with Cold Springs Church for more blessings and accomplishments.

Conclusion

We think our words are not enough to explain our thansksging to Cold Springs Church. We believe that God who sees your commitment and labor to raise up leaders and develop ministries overseas and in Congo DR in particular will reward you. Many blessings to all of Cold Springs Church. In Christ, your brother

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