

# HOPE OUTREACH INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES

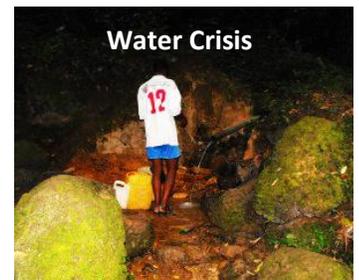
January 4 to 9, 2016 - Report



Banga-Bakundu is a fast growing and vivacious village located in Mbonge sub-division along Buea-Kumba road of the South West Region of Cameroon, with a population of more than 20,000 inhabitants. In year 2015, Banga Bakundu has 6 secondary schools, 17 Nursery and primary schools, 1 hospital of the Apostolic Mission, 1 clinic and a school for the training of nurses. The major occupation of the people is mixed farming. Major products being cocoa, rubber, food crops like banana & cocoyam, timber, palm products, vegetables etc. The Bakundus are the main ethnic group but there are other ethnic groups residing in Banga-Bakundu.



Most of the people who can afford it depend on unpurified wells for drinking water, some who can afford go as far as Muyuka, about 10km away and up to Kumba, about 45km away from Banga Bakundu to get clean drinking water. Some go to get drinking water in very far distances and unsecured streams. The locally dug wells are not good sources of drinking water, nor are the



Water Crisis

streams around. Because they are not well protected. As a result, they always cause water borne diseases, such as typhoid and cholera. Malaria is rampant.



Mother at 14

Promiscuity, theft, alcohol and drug addiction are the order of the day in this town. Close to 60 per cent of the population lives with HIV, and more than 70 per cent of the young girls give birth

before they clock 16. Traditional religion of ancestral worship is strong.



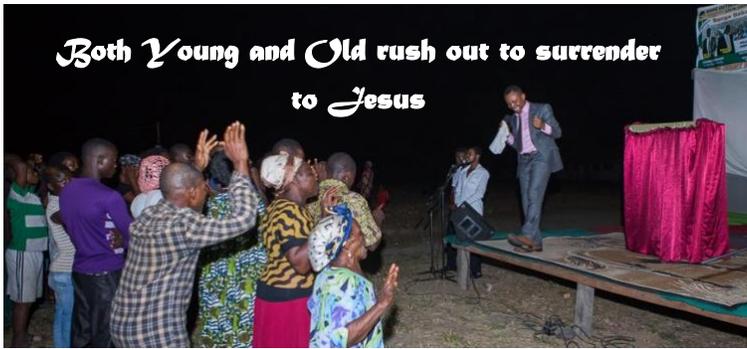
Insecure housing

In 2013 HOIM staged an evangelistic medical outreach which was richly blessed by the Lord. Three years later, the Lord laid it in our hearts to return to the same village with the FESTIVAL OF HOPE 2016 from January 4<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>.

James Eno opened the nightly meetings on Tuesday, January 5, speaking on the Redemption in Christ. Death, pain and suffering and evil entered the world through one man, Adam. Eternal Life comes in through only one person shedding his blood for all – Christ. To have the life of God, each human being must repent from sin and surrender to Christ.

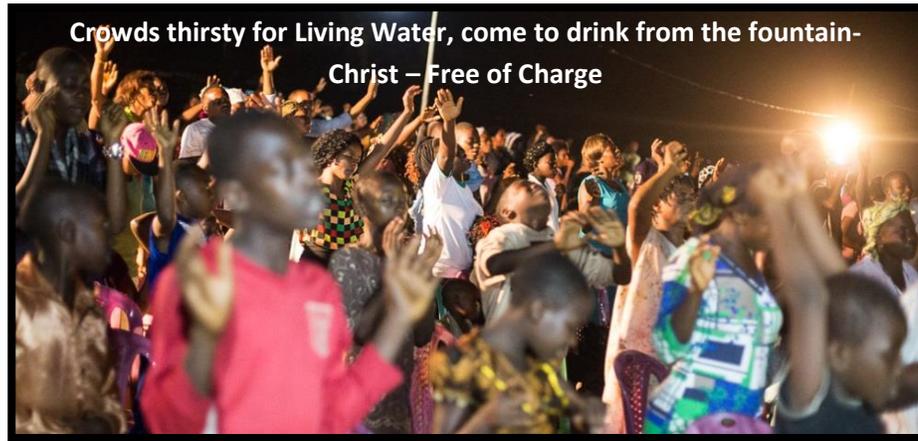


The evening meeting ran from 7 pm to 10 pm. Out of the 489 persons in attendance, 59 decisions for Christ are recorded.



Evang. Eta Oru Benson (on the Guitar), headed the local organization and the musicians, while Mrs Comfort Eta led the interdenominational choir

Br. BENJAMIN MUA then continued on Wednesday, January 6 on the message of the Cross from 1 Corinthians 1:17, 19. He is interpreted into Pidgin English by Br Lawrence Kang. The Message of the Cross is summarized as a message of Restored Identity, New Law, and New Power. Attendance was 592, while 26 Decisions are registered for Christ.



Counselors Register New Believers

The topic treated by Sam Monono on day three is: "The Cross, A symbol of Evil?" John 3:14-15. People spend time to come up with logos and symbols. Some hang crosses in cars. The carried around cross cannot save anyone. Today is the day to have the real, not the symbol; Jesus – Crucified, Dead and Arisen. Attendance = 438; Decisions for Christ 26.



Br Benjamin handled the Friday service speaking on "I am not Ashamed of the Gospel" - (Rom 1:16)

## *Br. Julius and Sam illustrate Spiritual Growth hints to New Believers*



## *Medical Outreach*

Patients hear the Gospel at the Apostolic Church while waiting to meet the Doctors, after which each of them is counseled and prayed for, before collecting their prescribed drugs from the Pharmacy. A total of 521 persons were served in three days and 37 received Christ through the counselors.





The Pastors and Church leaders Conferences were animated by Brs Benjamin and Patrick Narcisse. The main focus was Making A difference as Ministers in a world that has Become Churchy and the Church that has become Worldly. Topic was: The Essentials of A Life Giving Ministry.

There is need for radical transformation and A Heart Revolution. The Time is now and the duty is ours. It is time we return and depend on the Holy Spirit. The Conference concluded with intense Confession and Intercession for One another and the Church.

*Please Pray With Us*

- ✚ Thank God for Journey mercies for all who participated in the Banga –Bakundu Festival of Hope.
- ✚ Thank God for the Local Organizers for their contributions towards the success of the event.
- ✚ Thank God for the Doctors, Nurses, Speakers and workers who tirelessly rendered themselves to serve others.
- ✚ Pray for the reward of every investor in the Banga Bakundu Festival of Hope.
- ✚ Pray for the abiding of the souls won to Christ and for the churches to do a proper follow up
- ✚ Pray that the ministers' conference will yield lasting transformational impact in Banga and beyond.