

The School of Biblical Studies is located in Jos, Nigeria. SBS began in 1989 and is under the oversight of the elders at the Gadsden Church of Christ in Gadsden, Alabama. Dr. Solomon I Aguh is The President of SBS. SBS has a 4, 3, and 2 year curriculum in Bible, plus a 4-year degree program. We have recently added a 2 year Extension Program and a 2 year Agricultural Program. The student body presently numbers 137 full-time students with more than 600 graduates now in the field.

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Our goal is to have 500 Christians giving \$10 monthly to provide a stable operating income for the School. If you or your Bible class are thinking about becoming a Jos Partner, we urge you to do so! The small amount of just \$10 monthly, when combined with that of others, will make a huge difference. Just fill in the coupon below, and mail it with your check to:

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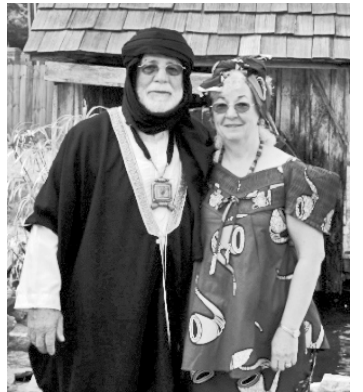
OUR GOAL FOR 2024

Happy New Year! We pray that 2024 will be a year of Christian growth and enjoyment for you. A new year is also a time to make new goals and commitments in one's life. I believe that one of the ways to ensure success as you strive to reach a new goal is to tell a friend that will encourage you. Let me share with you some of our 2024 goals for Africa.

We have finished construction of our Medical Clinic on the campus of SBS. Our goals now are equipping and staffing the clinic. We have obtained two microscopes for our laboratory from Healing Handing International, located in Nashville. I have packed them in a suitcase and plan to take them to Jos in February. We have also obtained and installed most of the furniture needed.

Next is our goal to negotiate and purchase the 100 hectors (247 acres) of land required to apply for full university status with the Nigerian University Commission at Abuja, FCT. We began this effort to raise Seven Hundred and Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars on October 1, 2023. We now have One Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$168,000.00) for the down payment. This is perhaps the most ambitious goal we have ever attempted since moving to Nigeria in 1985. Brethren, we have a strong desire and determination to succeed with these goals for our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. Dee and I are booked to travel to Nigeria on February 21, 2024. We request your continued support and prayers.

Steven L. Worley



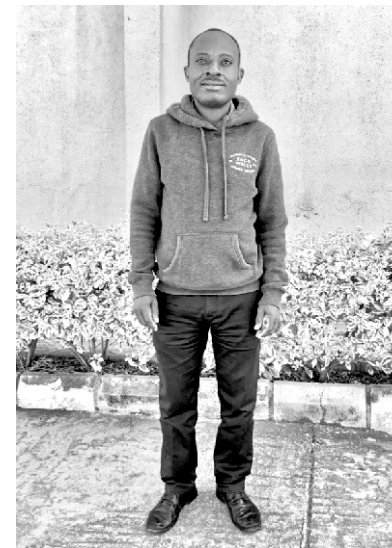
Our plea; We need congregations to join us on our quest for land for a Christian University. We need congregations to commit to contribute their fifth Sunday contribution in June of 2024 and 2025. Together we can reach our goal. Will you join us? Please contact Brother Adam Coleman, who is one of our elders, at the Savannah Church of Christ; Office 731-925-4442 or cell 731-607-8820. His email is adamcoleman@bellsouth.net

ALBERT MUTUDO AT SBS

Brother Albert Mutudo has joined the list of those who came from Uganda for studies at the school of Biblical Studies, Jos. Mr. Mutudo was admitted into the School of Biblical Studies, Jos in August 2023, to acquire sound Biblical knowledge for the expansion of the Kingdom of Christ in Uganda. He desires to be a preacher of the gospel, so after his graduation, he plans to return to Uganda to teach and preach the gospel of Christ.

Albert hails from Western Uganda, (Kasese district). His home congregation is the Isogera Church of Christ. He is married to Mbambu Sarah, and the marriage is blessed with three Children namely; Mumbere Asher (daughter), Muhindo Sashern (son) and Bwambale Asa (daughter).

Emmanuel Owkayi Egyegini (Dean of Students, SBS Jos).



STUDENT BODY 2024

The staff and students of the School of Biblical Studies, Jos, have resumed for the second semester of 2023/24. Over 95% of the students have resumed for their classes. Below is a picture of some students and staff during our daily chapel session. We have a total population of students (both on campus and extension centers) now of over 150. Our on-campus students that have returned from the holiday break is 92.

At the moment, we have students from Nigeria, Cameroon, Chad, and Uganda. We have received applications for more students from Chad, Kenya, Ethiopia, and Benin Republic. We do not know how many of them will be able to attend our next semester. This semester is a busy one, with activities like: interviews for new student intake, campaign for Christ Evangelism in April, and our annual lectureship, and Graduation ceremony. Our Evangelism Workshop was completed on January 20th, so our students and staff are now ready to commence door knocking and street evangelism this semester. Sometimes the ground is hard, but God still provides us prospects who have a fertile heart for the Gospel. **Dr. Tom Udoh, President of SBS**



SBS EXTENSION PROGRAM

The Extension Training Programs in December, 2023, were a wonderful experience for all the people involved. The programs took place in three of our Extension Training Centers. Our center in Delta State is located in the Southern city of Asaba which is two days travel from Jos for our teachers. The two programs at Asaba are our Diploma and Degree in BA Ministry programs. Four of our staff were assigned to the center. They were Brothers Naphtali Dagasamah, Bala Turgong, Mathias Lordye, and Jesse Jatau. They stayed 30 days giving intensive lectures then safely returned to Jos.

We have two training centers in Gombe State. At one location, the lectures are taught in the Hausa Language and at the other in English. The Hausa lessons are taught in the church hall of the Tunfure Church of Christ, Gombe City. The teachers and students have to sleep in the church hall for the two weeks of lectures. The lessons were taught by Brothers Barnabas Manzo and Simon Dabish.

Two students of the Koma tribe who live in the remote villages of Northeastern Nigeria sent word they could not attend due to the high cost of transportation. They sent a plea to the school that we establish a center in their area to help others who want to enroll in the programs. They even asked me to visit their villages and see things face to face. If I am permitted and granted funds I am willing to visit them in February.

The second center in Gombe State is located in Kaltungo Local Government area. Two programs are taught in there. The courses were taught in English by Brothers Daniel Boi, Mark Batal, Moses Jammy, and Benjamin Ogu. Our Certificate and Diploma Programs are taught at this center.

Simon Dabish, Coordinator of the Extension Program

EVANGELISM REPORT, ABUJA, F.C.T.

Our warmest greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that this year will be a year of blessings as we serve God with all diligence. My family along with, Henry my co-worker, are doing well, and our evangelism efforts through the use of Bible correspondence lessons here in Abuja, Nigeria, is growing day by day.

In the 2023, we made some remarkable achievements as we as we continued to distribute our Bible Correspondence Courses. We had 5 people in my village in Langtang Local Government, Plateau State, request baptism during our Open-Air and door-to-door evangelism we conducted during the Holiday Season.

It is important to note that the combination of Africa Bible School Correspondence Courses and the Evangelism Kit from World Video Bible School

(WVBS) have made our work more productive. Since we received the Evangelism Kit last April, and started using it in our studies, we have found it to be a tremendous aid both in our one-on-one Bible studies and for the edification of congregations. We thank you and the World Video Bible School so much for this wonderful addition to our outreach program

Of the 958 correspondence lessons sent out, we were able to collect back 907. The number of enrolled students has increased to 1,502! We recorded a total number of 14 people who were baptized for the washing away of their sins and were added to the church. More so, through the use of our correspondence courses, 19 persons were restored back to the faith.

**Jingfa Songyong and Henry Eddiong,
Bible Course Center, Abuja**

AGRICULTURE REPORT

I am glad to inform you that the School of Biblical Studies, Jos, in conjunction with Healing Hands International, organized a two-day drip irrigation workshop on November 9-10, 2023. This workshop was spectacular and exciting to me because the last Drip Irrigation Workshop we conducted was in 2012. After a long period of time, we were happy to invite over 80 people to be trained and certified in our farming method. These participants were given practical skills on how to produce vegetables using simple, practical, and sustainable methods of farming. At the end of the workshop, four garden beds were constructed and tomato and green pepper were planted. Below are some pictures of the workshop garden beds. All of our students are required to build and maintain a garden bed for their first two years at SBS.

Simple farming methods that requires the use of local resources is what our people need at this time. The cost of living is high and families are

finding it difficult to feed their families. We solicit your donations to support us as we take this workshop to the local villages. Nothing is too small. With \$400-\$500 we can organize drip irrigation workshops in and around Plateau State this year. May God bless you as you consider our request and put a smile on the faces of many Africans who cannot afford a meal in a day.

In addition, all Agric programs, namely; Drip irrigation gardening, our fish, rabbits, and chicken production, are on-going despite the high cost of feeds and some unfavorable factors that are making production a challenge. We appreciate all you do to encourage us spiritually and financially.

Bala Turgong, SBS Agriculture Coordinator

