

## News Update – June 2007



Beloved,

Special greetings from Jos and the entire Grace & Light family. We keep trusting that the Lord is treating you good. We are doing well by His grace. Our faith kept increasing as we know that

*Faith is holding unto life when all around is pain;  
Faith is seeing rainbow when the sky is full of rain;  
Faith is reaching out for God when you are filled with fear;  
Faith is walking in the dark and looking for the light;  
Faith is showing you believe and that you truly care;  
Faith is searching for the Lord and finding Him in prayer.*

I am excited to tell you that the Lord has remain faithful to us in the ministry and we kept a firm faith. Despite lack of grants for work he has provided what we needed and work have continued although with some struggles in choosing priorities of which should be and which should come first. I know we have made mistakes but to an extend we have listen to Him.

One thing I can't deny is the fact that our successes is yours too because you in one way or the other have contributed by praying, giving counsel and /or giving your resources, time or energy. You see, we have been in this together. We praise the Lord and also thank you so very much for the different things you are doing.

We have continued in ministry and were able to carry out one Pastor/church leaders sensitization workshop which as far as I am concern is the best since we started the ministry because people came with enthusiasm, no one was in a hurry to go and they gave beautiful comments which was so encouraging, from their evaluation forms some of the comments include:

- "Thank God for Grace & Light's openness strategy, you have gone a long way in rescuing lives that were about to perish because of secrecy they were not able to get help in terms of drugs or counseling till Grace & Light came to our Church, you have done well, God bless you."
- Another one said," I want to thank Grace & Light for saving the lives of 3 of our members who tested positive with you. two of them were husband and wife and because the knew their HIV status early, they were able to protect their baby from being positive and living happily today – praise the Lord."

We also conducted a workshop for our members living positive. It was exciting to see how they share the testimonies of what their openness was doing to them and others, though we can't deny

the fact that some are still in their shells and are not able to share with their pairs, this we know needs more work so that they will live in the fullness of life since that is our goal.

I reported in my last update that we will be visiting some team as a monitoring visit in June. Thanks for praying, the Lord answered, the visit yielded desired result. There is recommitment from the members and they have started bringing report of their activities. Our normal work continued in different denominations and different churches.

We were able to test 1222 people in the Month of June all were open with their status but 113. 50 tested positive to HIV and a lot of them are already on drugs and are being cared for by their pairs and by our care officers. My trip to Chad was a success, the 3 people earlier trained were encouraged to bring more and training is now scheduled for October, 2007 praise the Lord for this development.

Please join us thank God for the things mentioned above and pray for the Month of July that the lined up programmes will be achieved to the glory of the Lord, also that money will be available for it. Some of these programmes include: Volunteer refresher training 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> July, where we are bringing 13 teams together for this; London Volunteer training 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> August; Pray for Yola team, they need someone to coordinate the whole state. One special request, as the Lord remind you of us this Month, Pray that there will be open doors to GRANT which we know will help us achieve more than what we are doing now for the Kingdom.

Kind regards,  
In His Love,

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