

# Church Planting & Development

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## Ethiopia Ministry Needs: \$15,400

Funding the **Ethiopia Church Planting & Development (CPD)** will help resource the following people and strategic initiatives:

- Ethiopia's FM churches in six geographical areas. Our support, together with a more substantial portion from the Ethiopian churches, helps these churches carry out their ministries and support their pastors.
- for annual conference meetings. (The local churches of Ethiopia are spread quite widely.)
- costs associated with Supt. Makebib bringing pastoral training to different areas of Ethiopia: continuing education for district leaders, participants' food and transportation for seminars and the overall organizing from Addis Ababa.
- ministry to street children carried on through the Megananga church in Addis. It includes Saturday programming, assisting participants to enroll in and continue in school, and some feeding.

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### Provisional Annual Conference

- Population: 117,572,000
- Evangelical Christians: 17.97%
- FM Work Opened: 1999
- FM Churches: 42
- FM Membership: 8,444
- Ordained Elders: 8
- Conference Ministerial Candidates: 6
- Ecclesiastical Accountability: FMC-USA through Bishop Matthew Whitehead



**Superintendent**  
Mekebib Desta

## The Free Methodist Church in Ethiopia

### Origins

This work began in 1998 through the partnership of Free Methodist World Missions and the Free Methodist Church in Southern California. The first Free Methodist Church service was held in May 1999. On March 9, 2012, the Ethiopia FMC gained provisional annual conference status.



### Present Ministries

The Ethiopian FMC has stepped up its church-planting efforts and seen a more rapid increase of new churches and training programs to multiply church planters and pastors. Outreach ministries include International Child Care Ministries (ICCM) schools and a feeding and study program. The superintendent has a vision for a ministry center in Addis Ababa to generate income for further church-planting efforts.

### Pray for:

- conference leadership as they move forward with church planting and discipleship
- Christians to have continued passion for evangelism
- a durable and reliable vehicle for the superintendent to use in visiting village churches
- the vision for a ministry center in Addis Ababa