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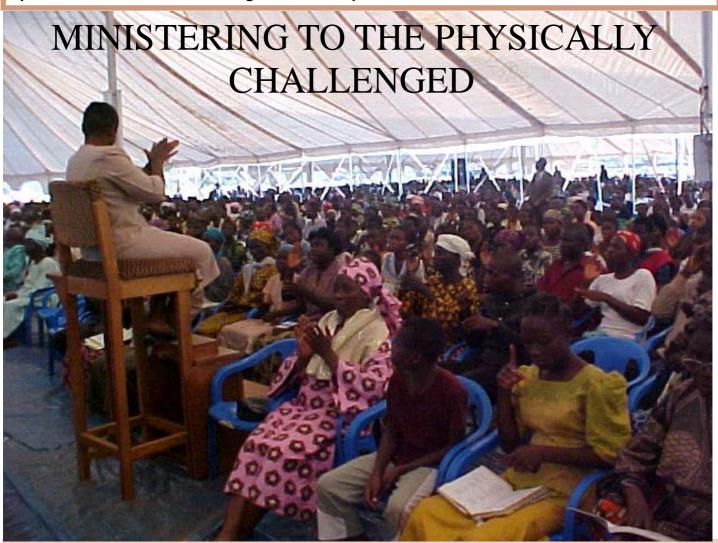




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The physically challenged are people who are unable to use a part or some parts of the body because it has been damaged due to nature, age, illness, accident or other factors.

The Apostolic Faith as an organisation is mindful of the fact that God's love reaches to all people. The people who have lost the ability to talk, hear, see or use their hands and feet need to know of the Saviour Who died for them.

At the Headquarters Church in Lagos and in many branch Churches, the Gospel message reaches the deaf through the sign language. The blind read Braille Bibles and the crippled are seated in their wheelchairs in a column, where they can pray without the wheelchairs constituting a hindrance to the movement of other worshippers. The Church organises sign language lessons for volunteers among the saved souls to learn how to communicate with the hearing and speech impaired. Sunday School classes and services are also interpreted through sign language.

It all started in the early 70s. A deaf and dumb couple, Mr. and Mrs. Sodeke, attended our Church services at 49, Moloney Street, Ebute-Meta. The Sodekes used to enjoy the services through the help of Brothers Sunday Olaniyan, Simeon Akeju, and Adebola Aina, who wrote out the proceedings of the meetings for them.

In 1972, the Ebute-Meta Church moved to Anthony campgrounds for Sunday services. In 1975, some hearing impaired friends, Messrs Johnson Macaulay, Emmanuel, Adekunle Taiwo, and two other ladies came to Church with the Sodekes from Yaba. The old method of writing the sermon became inadequate. Therefore, Mr. Macaulay volunteered to teach some brethren, the Sign Language.

Some ushers and interested members of the congregation were organised to form a class to study sign language. At the start,

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## From the Africa Overseer



"And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness" (Isaiah 29:18).

That is exactly what the Lord is doing in the Church. The deaf "hear" the words of the Book and the eyes of the blind are able to "see" Jesus, the Light of the World, out of darkness. The Gos-

pel is preached to the physically challenged, they respond and are joyfully serving the Lord. They in turn, invite many more to the Saviour. They are a wonderful sight to behold during our annual camp meeting. Their laughter is infectious, their discussion is animated and there is never a dull moment for them. They pray fervently and beam radiantly when they receive the experience of salvation from the Lord. Many of the dumb testify that they are happy because they could have been speaking sinful words if they could speak. The deaf say they are happy they cannot hear sinful sayings and the blind rejoice in the Lord that they can "see" God at work in their lives.

Sometimes God gives us pleasant surprises in our meetings—the lame walk, the blind see, the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

The ministry to the physically challenged has been very fruitful. In this issue, you will read the testimonies of some of them. They are eagerly looking forward to the Millennial Reign of Christ.

"Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

"Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

"And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away" (Isaiah 35:5, 6, 10).

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group of hearing and Lover of My Soul"



Victoria visually impaired, sings the song, "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" during a service



Brother John Adeodu plays the trumpet in the Senior Orchestra

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there were about 22 in attendance. Mr. Macaulay began to teach the class in the ground floor of the then Children's Hall in 1975. Among the early participants were Sisters Biola Osidele, Winifred Olabisi Aiavi, Simbo Aladeojebi, Dupe Asokhia, Toyin Obatusin, Fola Akinola and Yetunde Schleicher. Others were, Brothers speech impaired brethren Adebola Aina, Sunday Oke, signing the song, "Jesus Zacchaeus Oyafunso and Julius Ozallo, to mention just a few. Three months later, Brother Adebola Aina, who was then an usher, was asked to man the Sign Language Department.

Brothers Kayode Ogunlaja, Yomi Akinbo and Sanjo Fasola, Sisters Aanu Ogunlaja and Ronke Olagookun, were among those who later learnt the art of signing. They were mightily used in the propagation of the Gospel to the hearing impaired. The converted ones in turn were of help to their friends. Many of them prayed through to the three Christian experiences and the fruit they bear confirm this. The department was later headed by Brother Kayode Ogunlaia.

Many of the members of the group are happily married and blessed with children nurtured in the fear of God. Some of these children are actively involved in Sunday School pro-

grammes.

The population of the hearing and speech impaired group has steadily increased and is presently about 2000 during camp meetings. Visitation is a part of the hearing impaired ministry and thank God, He gives the backing.

Furthermore, the Church records Sunday School lessons on audio tapes for the use of the visually impaired brethren. Through this method, many of them have the opportunity of going through their Sunday School lesson before Sunday. A good number of them recite their memory verse with ease and also contribute positively when the lessons are being taught in the Church. The Church also maintains a cassette library for all

Many of our Churches now have interpreters for the hearing impaired and efforts are made by the children of God to go to nooks and crannies to convey them to Church.

Occasionally, the Organisation arranges a get-together for the physically challenged to make them feel the warmth of the Gospel.

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## lagers Embrace

Jesus said: "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled".

God, Who alone knows the heart of man, inspired the workers in Lagos state to organise a two-week village evangelism Ikorodu and Ijede, to meet the need of thirsty souls there. Evangelistic meetings were organised in 12 centres. people received with joy the message of peace. God gives forgiven. The audience was very lam,

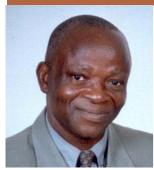
God. Seekers rushed to the altar of prayer and tarried long. Many people were blessed. Recorded blessings include 168 souls saved, 59 sanctified and 11 baptised with the Holy Ghost and fire.

Three villages in Kwara/Kogi from May 8-20, 2005, around district of Nigeria also recently experienced the presence of the evangelistic outreach. There was a one week evangelistic out-Many reach to the villages of Ogbondoroko and Laduba in April. Though these villages were reman peace when his sins are puted to be strongholds of Isthe Lord wonderfully eager to receive the Word of opened a way for the people of

God to minister to the hungry souls there. Film shows and evangelistic services were organised in the open air. Many people prayed fervently some villagers have since started to attend our Church in Ganmo, which is the nearest Church to them.

In May, it was the turn of Otte, a border town between Kwara and Oyo state. The Lord wonderfully held back the rains when they threatened and many souls were added to the Kingdom of God.

## Gone Before Us



## SOJI TUMININU OLAMIJULO

Brother Soji, was until his home call, the Overseer of The Apostolic Faith work in Abuja/Kaduna District. He was saved in 1966. He, in the company of his elder brother,

Muyiwa Olamijulo, joined the Apostolic Faith Church in 1968, where he prayed through to Christian experiences.

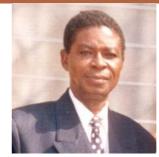
He became a member of the Senior

Choir and Orchestra in 1980, as a viola player and baritone singer. entire Northern Zone of Nigeria.

In 1987, the Federal Ministry of Industries, where he worked, transferred him to Abuja, the Federal Capital of Nigeria. There, he started an Apostolic Faith Church in his sitting room together with his wife, Folake. Very soon, the group moved to a school. A piece people to embrace the Gospel of Jesus Christ. of land was secured at Jabi, where a small church was erected. Today, a magnificent auditorium on the verge of completion is and generous. He was a man of faith with a keen sense standing at Abuja. He was appointed the Overseer of The Apostolic Faith Church work for Abuja/Kaduna Zone in August 2000.

A lawyer by training, Brother Soji served as the Church Legal Adviser. He was trustworthy, diligent, hardworking, highly intelligent, open-minded, open-handed, loving and hospitable. He was zealous and prayerful.

In the third week of March 2005, before he went into a state of coma, his wife met him praying earnestly. When he prevailed, he shouted Victory! Victory! On April 16, 2005 he went to be with his Saviour Whom he had diligently served.



## NZEREM NJOKU UFERE

Brother Nzerem Njoku Ufere, saved in 1968, was the District Overseer of The Apostolic Faith work in Enugu/Anambra District, until he went to be with the Lord.

Brother Ufere heard about the Gospel through Brother S.C.

Nnodim. He prayed and received the three Christian He was a Music teacher and later became the Music Director of the experiences of salvation, sanctification and baptism of the Holy Ghost.

> He lived an exemplary Christian life both in his secular job and in the society. This influenced many

> Brother Ufere was very humble, loving, courageous of responsibility. He worked tirelessly — preaching, counselling and visiting branch Churches as if he knew that the time was short.

> He developed a physical weakness after which he requested the choir to sing praises to God on January 30, 2005. On February 1, he thanked and bade his wife, Nnenna, farewell. At 9.30pm, on February 4, 2005, he answered the home call.

## across nigeria

#### **OGUN STATE**

the month of March 2005. In our revival services at Abeokuta Church, 16 people were saved, 9 sanctified and 6 baptised with the Holy Spirit. The Easter holiday was spent in evangelising every nook but live. One day, she noticed that she and cranny of the State, and to invite was able to bend down to wash her legs, people to the Church. This increased our a posture she had not been able to asattendance especially on Easter Sunday sume earlier. God asked her about the and many people prayed fervently.

School children and their teachers visvisited shed tears of joy.

programme.

one-week revival was held at Orile- by His resurrection power! Ilugun, a village along Ibadan/Abeokuta Road. 43 souls were saved, 5 sanctified, evangelistic meetings at Mushin wit-2 baptised and 1 healed.

## **LAGOS STATE**

our outreach this year. Every Sunday was brought from Epe because of her afternoon, a Gospel team went out from protracted illness. The woman's sister, Ebute-Meta Church to Apapa, Yaba, who is a member, contacted the people Sabo and Orile-Iganmu to distribute of God for prayer on behalf of her sick Gospel materials and invite people to sister. The people of God prayed for her Church services. Youth services were and in no time, God healed her. Thereheld simultaneously with the afternoon after, she started coming to Church. At Sunday School.

were given in all our services. A sister sanctification. testified of divine healing from cancer of the breast. She had been saved for power to convert a wretched sinner. His sometime and discovered that she had life had been ruined by smoking tostrange pains and the symptoms of bacco, drinking alcohol and committing breast cancer. The pains persisted for a terrible sins. When he was invited to the long time, but she continued to pray. In Church, God spoke to his heart. He the course of her travail, she heard of prayed and confessed his sins. God foranother woman who had undergone two gave him, saved his soul, sanctified and surgical operations for breast cancer, baptised him with the Holy Ghost. His

and was waiting for the third one when God wonderfully visited us during she died. The news of the woman's death led the sister to pray more fervently. As she continued in prayer, the pains persisted but she held on to the promise of God that she would not die pains and she discovered that they were At Oke Abetu, some Sunday gone. She had been completely healed!

At Badagry, a sister testified that ited some sick brethren at home. They after she was saved, sanctified and bapsang songs, presented them with 'get tised with the Holy Spirit, she trusted well' cards and flowers, to encourage God for child delivery. God delivered them. Some of the brethren who were her safe and sound. Her husband was thus encouraged to trust God also. On Easter Monday, youth repre- Later, her husband was sick for about sentatives from all the branch Churches two weeks. She was called from the in the state held a seminar at Oke Abetu. Church one Sunday evening, at about The seminar featured topics like: 6.00pm. When she got home, she found Choice of Vocations, The Right Mar- that her husband had given up the ghost riage, First Aid Treatment and Home and his remains was about to be packed Nursing. God's blessings attended the up. She refused and tarried in prayer until 3.00 am the next morning. The Between April 18 and 24, 2005, a Lord brought back her husband to life

One of the evening revival and nessed a remarkable outpouring of the power of God. Many people were blessed as they prayed through to vari-We thank God for His blessings on ous Christian experiences. A woman the close of one of the revival services, Testimonies of God's goodness she prayed through to salvation and

A brother also testified of God's

wife was also healed of acute yellow fever.

#### **CROSS RIVER STATE**

We thank God for blessings of the previous year. God has visited us again with wonderful blessings this year.

The focus of our work has been evangelism. It started with campaigns around our prayer locations and this was followed by weekly Bible Studies. These resulted in improved attendance at our centres. At Akamkpa, a new prayer centre, located at the Housing Estate, pulled a large crowd. This brought to seven, the number of prayer centres and the turn-out was very encouraging.

At Ikang, 6 people were blessed with different Christian experiences and healing in January, 2005. On the third Sunday of February, 2005, a young man testified that he did not want to come to Church that day, but when he passed the signpost of The Apostolic Faith Church, Ikang, it rang in his heart several times that he had to go in. After the sermon, when the altar call was given, he prayed and God saved him. He is happy to be a Christian and he pledged to continue to serve God.

At Aningeje, many souls were revived and blessed through songs, sermons and testimonies. A brother testified that he used to attend a church for the purpose of playing drums. After the first round of playing, he would go out to smoke in order to be strong and get prepared for the next round. But when God called him to The Apostolic Faith Church, he saw the true worship, humbled himself, prayed and was justified, sanctified and baptised with the Holy Ghost.

### RIVERS/BAYELSA DISTRICT

Sunday, March 25, 2005, was declared Thanksgiving Day in the district. At the end of the service, 50 souls were blessed with different Christian experiences.

One 18-year old girl was healed of breast cancer after she was prayed for by the people of God. A 25-year old man was healed of asthma after he had prayed through to salvation.

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## newsline

## **BENIN REPUBLIC**

The theme of year 2004 camp meeting, "Africa must be saved", spurred our youths into action. They decided to take the Gospel to all corners of Republic of Benin.

In October, 2004, a team of workers was sent to the following places: Dassa-Zoume, Save, Kokoro and Toui. Another group had earlier gone to Natitingou, Djougou, Wake-Semere, Copargo and Ketao (at Togo northern border). Revival sparked up in all these places.

In Dassa-Zoume a man who backslid from our Church in Abidjan met the team. God spoke to his heart and he knelt down to pray. Children of God surrounded and prayed with him. God restored him by giving him the three Christian experiences. Now, the brother has taken up his clarinet and he is part and parcel of the evangelistic group.

In the same location, a man who had been paralysed since 2002, was miraculously healed after he was prayed for by the people of God. Today, he is walking perfectly.

A woman who had a swollen body, from the crown of her head to the sole of her feet with a bloated tummy, was healed after she was prayed for. She had earlier tried the medical and traditional experts but could not be helped.

The Easter concert was held on April 3, 2005. 1,095 people were in attendance and God really blessed His people.

#### **CAMEROON**

As we ended our annual camp meeting in January 2005, at Bangem, the saints of God in The Apostolic Faith Church, Buea, returned to their station with the spiritual fire of the camp meeting burning in their hearts.

In that spirit, revival services were held for one week. God blessed the meetings: 5 people were saved, 4 sanctified, 3 baptised with the Holy Ghost and 3 people were healed from various ailments.

## CHURCH DEDICATION AND EASTER REVIVAL MEETINGS IN NAMIBIA

Great joy filled our hearts when God provided a piece of land for us where we can erect a church building of The Apostolic Faith in Namibia. In April 2003, the approval to build the church was given by the Local Authority. With God's help, the foundation stone of the church was



laid on April 30, 2003. Brethren from Windhoek, Namibia Headquarters; Zimbabwe and other places, joined hands with us to build. God used them to speed up the work. On March 26, 2005, the church building was dedicated.

The Africa Overseer, Brother Paul O. Akazue and his wife, Jane, were present at the dedication. He spoke on Solomon's prayer as recorded in 2 Chronicles 6:19; 5: 11-14; 2 Kings 8:29, during the service. People were admon-



ished to rededicate their lives to the service of God.

Brethren from some of the Southern parts of Africa, including the Overseer for South Africa, Rev. Eddie Sadike, attended the dedication service.

## CRAWFORD NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL, LUSAKA, ZAMBIA

Crawford Nursery and Primary School is a private school belonging to The Apostolic Faith Mission, Lusaka, Zambia.

The school was opened on October 14, 2002, with the Nursery section only. God is blessing the school and it is expanding on yearly basis.

God has given us the opportunity to reach the students with the Word of God. The first thirty minutes of the day is spent teaching the Word in every class.

Parents have been coming to the school to thank God for the positive changes observed in the lives of their children as a result of the Word of God planted in their hearts.

#### THE GAMBIA

We have cause to thank the Lord for His mercy and manifestation in our meetings. Looking back, we can say with assurance and confidence that the Lord is back of the Gospel activities in The Gambia.

Our group was recently blessed with a Music teacher and an organist. The workers too are very zealous in spreading the Good Tidings through prayer and the distribution of Gospel literature.

Recently, God provided the Church with electronic gadgets for recording after a long search for a good and reliable one.

A new convert, whose wife gave birth to a baby girl, was impressed by the simplicity of the ceremony conducted when the girl was to be named. He was happy that he did not have to incur debts as he did in the past, while naming his other children. He has promised to serve God all the days of his life.

# God Did it For Me

## SERVING GOD IN SPITE OF ALL ODDS

Sister Victoria Olutoyi Jinadu is serving God with gladness. She is a living testimony to the fact that it is possible to serve God under any circumstance. She is an inspiration even to people who have no visual disabilities. She would recite her memory verse flawlessly, whenever she was called upon to do so, no matter how long the verse could be. And God has been faithful to her. God gave her a good job and all the other conveniences of life. An interview with her is produced below.



- **Q:** Your presence has been noticed in the Church for over 30 years.
- A: Yes, my parents (Sister Mary Jinadu and Pa Joseph Jinadu) brought me to the Gospel in 1966, when I was only 15 years old.
- **Q:** Did you embrace the Gospel immediately you came to the Church?
- A: No, I did not. But God cornered me during the camp meeting in the year 1971. I was saved on August 23, 1971; that was 34 years ago. I later prayed through to other Christian experiences.
- **Q:** Despite your predicament, each time you are asked to recite the memory verse, you

- seldom make mistakes no matter how long the memory verse is. What is the secret behind this?
- A: Ha, I start learning the memory verse immediately I get home on Sunday. Apart from my Braille Bible, the Church provides all visually impaired brethren with cassettes on the Sunday School lessons. I have cassettes on all the 36 Sunday School books.
- **Q:**How did you find yourself with the present physical challenge? Were you born with it?
- A: No, I became blind when I was 10 years old as a result of illness. I attended Parcelli School for the Blind in Suru-Lere where I continued with my education. I later attended Our Lady of Lourdes where I completed my education. God wonderfully provided a job for me at Mobil Oil company while I was still in school and He has kept me on the job till today.
- **Q:** How do you cope with job problems in your place of work?
- **A:** God is faithful. There has not been any single problem that

- arose that God has not been able to solve. My predicament is not a problem at all.
- **Q:** How has God helped you to bring others with similar predicament to the Church?
- A: Sisters Ramota Adun, Folake Aremu and Iyabo Savage were my juniors in the school. They came across the Gospel through the work of the Association of Visiting Secretaries in schools. They embraced it and came to the Church.
- **Q:** You have been around for 39 years. Do you have any regrets?
- A: Not at all. God has been very faithful and good. I cannot enumerate all His goodness to me. Recently, my car was stolen and through the prayers of the saints of God, the car was recovered the same day. I have been ill several times and God has healed me. It is true that I cannot see physically but my spiritual eyes are wide open. Pray that God should help me to see Him at the end.

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## **HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS**

I was born into a church-going family in Igbara-Oke, Ondo State, Nigeria. Even though I attended a religious school while growing up, I never had salvation. When I was young, I loved going to the church, but later on, nothing there stimulated me.

I thank God for His mercy and kindness over me. But for His mercies. I would not be alive. I would have long been forgotten. On December 15, 1986, my father sent me and my younger brother to the farm to harvest cassava. On our way, I stopped to check one of our traps. I didn't know that someone was hunting for squirrels in the bush; he shot me in the back, thinking that I was an animal. The bullet hit my backbone and damaged my spinal cord. This resulted in my being confined to a wheelchair. It was the fate that turned my life around. My life became miserable and confused. There was no hope of living. I thank God that He was merciful to me a sinner and He spared my life. After my treatment, I was sent to a rehabilitation centre, "SCIAN Centre", at Maryland, Lagos. There, I met other people with the same disability.

I started seeking God and I prayed daily that God should lead me to the church where I can truly worship Him in truth and holiness. In July 1990, some brethren from The Apostolic Faith Church came to our compound to distribute the "LIGHT OF HOPE". When I read it, I was inspired by the sermons and the testimonies in the magazine. I decided to go to the Church.

I consider my salvation a wonderful miracle. I marvel at how God saw a wretched disabled person like me with all the burdens I carried, with no hope of living and brought peace to my troubled heart. I found peace in Jesus. I do not see my disability again but I see Jesus every day. He fills my soul with joy that cannot be expressed.

In 1991, I met the late Overseer, Rev. J. O. Soyinka. He saw me as a young man and advised me to go back to school. He even gave me some money. I thank God that I heeded his advice. I thank Jesus for helping me to get admission into a University to study Accounting in 1995. I never thought of going to a University even when I was walking.

On the campus, I joined the

"Association of Visiting Secretaries". They welcomed me, took care of me and were real brothers to me.

I have found a new life in Jesus. God has been so good. The peace He gives me is unbelievable. It transcends anything that can be imagined. I just want to make Heaven my home and to see Jesus, the One Who paid the price of my redemption.

Taiwo Ayininuola Anthony Village, Lagos.

## I FOUND JOY IN JESUS

"Why am I like this? Why am I different from others?" These were the questions that bothered my mind when I realised that I could not walk like other children. I was confused and dejected. I thought I could never find real happiness in this world.

I loved going to church because it was the only way I knew through my parents. Morning and evening devotions were very important in our home. Whenever we were sick, my daddy would pray and we would be healed. This made me to believe in the existence of God. I loved reading the Bible, and as little as I was, I used to fast. But I was never taught how to be saved.

One glorious day in 1982, I was introduced to The Apostolic Faith Church by a housemistress in my boarding Primary School, at Ikare Akoko. She called me and preached to me. I looked at her with amazement, as if I did not know her before, because she had changed completely.

Through the Visiting Secretaries that were sent to my school, I started to attend the Church. I was very impressed by the way the ushers attended to me. I loved the music. I was touched by the Sunday School lessons too. As a little girl, I wanted to serve God and cleave to the Word of God.

On October 6, 1982, in my room at school, I confessed my sins as God revealed them to me. I used to tell lies, fight, steal my grandma's money and abuse people. God saved my soul and I became the happiest person in the world!

Before this time, I used to ask my daddy questions such as: "Was I born like this?" He would answer "yes" and start to cry. I was very unhappy. I thought a lot and wept almost all the time. But when I got saved, God put an

end to all these and put joy in my heart.

Later, God sanctified me and baptised me with the Holy Ghost and fire. He taught me to understand the Bible. One day, I opened my Bible to Isaiah 35: 5,6.

"Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

"Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert".

God told me that if I could cling to Him, He would do that for me. He also made me know that I could do all that my able counterparts could do. He provided admission for me to study Business Administration in the University. God has been everything to me. He gave me the opportunity of playing the flute in the Orchestra and singing with the Choir.

On October 22, 1999, I ate poisoned food. I started vomiting and stooling from Friday until Sunday morning. One of my neighbours wanted to take me to the hospital but I told him to take me to the Church. Immediately we got to the Church, the people of God were sent into the prayer room to pray for me. All I could say was, "I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord". God healed me completely and free of charge too.

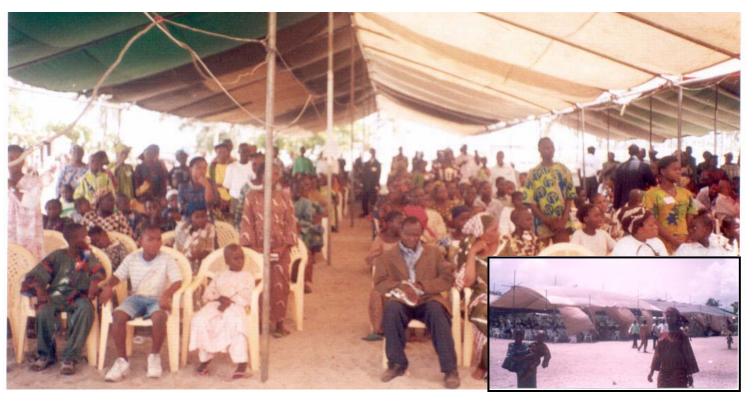
God has been all in all for me. He has been my best Friend. He has been so good to me! I cannot think of turning any other way or trying something different. I want to be able to walk with Him on the streets of gold.

Dupe Omogbayi, Anthony Village, Lagos.



Sister Dupe playing a flute solo at the 2004 camp meeting

# ASESON OF REPUBLICAN EARLY REPUBLIC



Retreat in progress at Cotonou, Benin Republic (inset: outside the tent).

A retreat was held from April 29—May 1, 2005. Participants came from all the Branch Churches to Cotonou. Brothers Nosa Nwoghiren, Femi Jaiyeola, Dotun Oduwole and Sister Rachel Fakorede came from Lagos, Nigeria, to help in the organisation of the retreat.

The team from Nigeria arrived on Thursday April 29, 2005. They went directly to the site of the retreat and helped those who were working there. Early on Friday morning, brethren went out to distribute Gospel tracts and magazines in some strategic places around the city of Cotonou. The public received the papers with great interest. There was a film show in the evening of Friday on the Passion of Christ. A mighty revival followed this and many people were blessed.

On Saturday, there was a Bible Study in the morning. A youth meeting and a symposium took place in the afternoon and an evangelistic service in the evening. The title of the Bible Study was "Will Jesus come Again?" After the Bible Study, the Spirit of God came down and many souls were saved. A woman who came to the meeting on crutches threw them away and started to jump as soon as the Lord forgave her sins. She left the crutches in the Church and went home rejoicing.

It was a time of spiritual refreshing. From the records, 19 people were saved, 6 sanctified, 4 baptised with the Holy Spirit and 5 healed.

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