

REPORTS OF THE HACFO 6TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL ENLIGHTENMENT CAMPAIGNS TO THE HAUSA CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES IN KADUNA AND KATSINA STATES (FROM 19TH TO 28TH JUNE, 2023)

WISDOM FOR ENDURING (FINISHING WELL AND STRONG) TO THE END IN DIFFICULT TIMES AND AMIDST PERSECUTION

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UNDERSTANDING AND AVOIDING THE TACTICS OF THE CONTINUOUS ABDUCTION OF OUR YOUNG CHRISTIAN GIRLS, FORCED CONVERSION AND MARRIAGE WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE PARENTS

INTRODUCTION

The Hausa Christians Foundation (HACFO) in Partnership with The Two Sisters and the HACFO Partners organized a special enlightenment campaigns as a step toward curtailing the incessant abuses and persecution the Hausa Christians in Northern Nigeria have been subjected to from time immemorial. The Enlightenment Campaigns were centered around reaching out to the backsliding Christians who are renouncing their faith in Christ by going back to the Hausa traditional religion and witchcraft for protection and survival and also the Continued abduction of our young Christian girls, forcefully Islamizing them and forced into marriage against the consent of their parents. The enlightenment campaign program came at the right time and also coincides with the 6th Year Anniversary of the Hausa Christians Foundation (HACFO).

To the Glory of God, the outreach recorded a tremendous success and the people were glad that such a timely program was organized. Although the Hausa Christians Communities are many, but God has enabled us to reach out to 15 communities in 7 LGAs of Kaduna and Katsina States.

PEOPLE REACHED

We were able to enlighten more than 3000 people from the 15 communities reached has at least 2 to 5 villages which participated in the program. Below are the names of the Churches, communities and the number of people reached where the campaigns were held:

- 1) Baptist Church G/Bakula 50 people
- 2) Emmanuel Baptist Church Yari-bori 220
- 3) Haske Baptist Church Kafur 354
- 4) Baptist Church G/ Maitsaro 220
- 5) Baptist Church magawata 247
- 6) Baptist church Gidan Sarkin Hausawa 150
- 7) ECWA Church Lamuntani 150
- 8) ECWA Church G/Mazadu 468
- 9) Bishara Baptist Church G/Bala Dutsen-Kura 350
- 10)St John's Church Janfalan 142
- 11)St. Philips Unguwar Duna 121
- 12) Emmanuel Church Gidan Tanko 174
- 13)St. Andrew Ikara Inusa Emmanuel 53
- 14)St Mark Chino 87
- 15)St James Bakula 180

SUCCESS REPORTS

- 1) Communities reached understood the danger we are in and appreciated the timely program. They promised to continue to enlighten their people in the matter continuously.
- 2) It was an eye opener to many people and all the people found the program very helpful in understanding the tactics the Muslims use to inflict pains on them.
- 3) A good number of those who have backslidden rededicated their lives to Christ. The will be followed up both from the HACFO States Teams and their local pastors

PRAYER POINTS

- 1) Pray for the restoration of the peace and securities of these communities. The rates of banditry and kidnappings have become the order of the day and have drastically affected the economic strength of the people with large sums of money being paid out for ransom.
- 2) The economy of the people in these locations is built on farming pray that those who were able to farm will experience a bumper harvest and they will harvest in peace.
- 3) Pray for the Christians to remain strong and faithful to the end no matter the hardship and persecution. The challenges on security have made many to return to traditional religious practices, witchcraft and the use of charms for protection.
- 4) Pray for the Christians in Kafur, that the Lord should grant them access to all that rightly belong to them. The Hausa Christian resident at Kafur town demand prayer due to the ongoing plan of denying their well to do members the right of acquiring two plots of land in a row due to the fear of raising a church structure or any other religious building that has to do with Christ.
- 5) We should pray for certain family in Gidan Mai-Tsaro who lost all of their inheritance and belongins to the extent that they are threatening to send them packing just because they chose to be Christian.
- 6) For God to protect and preserve our girls and women against the those who have them as their main target.
- 7) Pray for God to destroy all the evil agendas against Christians in Hausa land.
- 8) Pray for God to make the Hausa land to become a fertile ground for the growth of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) This program should be made yearly and possibly and not in farming season to enable people have access to events at less busy time.
- 2) There's need to organize a security seminar/workshop to enlighten communities on how to be alert and respond to attacks.
- 3) Agricultural seminars, demonstrations plots and agricultural loan linkage will help and encourage many communities on new farming systems, technology and also boast their economy.
- 4) Christian outreach to communities to help and encourage them build their faith and also put checks in place to withstand persecution

CONCLUSION

The obvious testimonies we received from all the participants attested to the fact that the teaching is timely. This means that the seminar comes at the time that people are in dear need of it. Many lives were touched, as such have rededicate their lives to God. However, the HACFO team has already set a plan on motion on how to continue with the exercise, in order to be able to reach out to other unreached areas. A Special Appreciation to all our Partners, the Two Sister who were the Chief Motivators behind these timely Campaigns and the HACFO Team. May God bless and increase them and all our Partners more and more in Jesus Name, Amen.

May God continue to bless HACFO Nigeria for become a voice to the voiceless, redirecting minds to God and wining souls for Christ.

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