NO MORE CRAWLING ON THE FLOOR

Agape Mobility Ethiopia

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Your Gifts Empower Future Leaders

Words cannot fully capture the emotion of seeing someone's life change before your eyes. Through Agape Mobility Ethiopia, we not only provided the gift of mobility, but also offered awareness, encouragement, and most importantly, the life — giving message of the Gospel.

During a distribution trip in April, we met a boy named Birket in Shashemene. He is just 11 years old, but his spirit is mighty. When he received his wheelchair, his face lit up with a joy so pure, it brought tears to our eyes. He told us that he wants to become a doctor and a preacher. In that moment, we saw not just a child receiving a wheelchair, but a future leader being empowered. His dream is a powerful reminder of why we do what we do.

We are deeply grateful for the privilege to serve. Every trip reminds us that love in action changes lives — not just for those we help, but for us as well.

2025 Distribution Report

Restoring Hope for the Whole Family

Distributing mobility equipment in certain areas of Ethiopia continues to be a challenge due to ongoing military conflict. However, **Agape Mobility Ethiopia** was granted a government pass, allowing our team to access restricted regions and deliver life-changing mobility devices to those who need them most.

The pass allowed us to travel through military checkpoints — often positioned every five to ten miles — and reach some of the most affected communities. In the **Amhara region (Sekota)** and **Tigray (Korem)**, we witnessed the devastating impact of war, where many children and young people have lost limbs. The need for mobility equipment in these regions is both urgent and heartbreaking.

However, we were welcomed with **open arms and overwhelming gratitude**. The joy of regaining mobility — of simply being able to move freely, attend church, go to school, visit the market, or connect with the community — was deeply emotional and inspiring.

We also traveled to:
Jinka, Wolkite, Genchire, Borana, Adola (Guji Zone), Adama, Mojo, Hossana, Jimma, Waliso, Dilla, Bule Hora, Yirga Alem, Sawla, Bale, Agaro, Butajera, and Addis Abeba.

Each city revealed its own powerful stories of pain, resilience, and renewed hope.

Between **January and early April 2025, 1,301 wheelchairs and mobility devices** were successfully distributed across Ethiopia!

"It's very emotional," said **Saba Marcos**, Founder and Executive Director of Agape Mobility Ethiopia.

"Many people are receiving wheelchairs for the very first time in their lives – some with tears of joy. You're not just helping one individual – you're transforming the life of an entire family. Now they can go to school, to church, to the market... This is hope for the whole family!"

How to Donate Financially

By check:
You can mail a check to
Agape Mobility Ethiopia
P.O. Box 1529
Fort Wayne, IN 46885

Online:
Scan the QR code or visit
agapemobilityethiopia.org

How to Donate Wheelchairs or Equipment

Contact us:
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Our Mission in Sight and Sound

If a picture is worth a thousand words, these videos are worth millions!

1. **Raise Them Up: Wheelchairs for Ethiopia**
   Learn more about our mission and the great need
2. **No More Crawling on the Floor-A Promise Written in Heaven!**
   US Army veteran Steven Preston shares his emotional journey from wheelchair user wheelchair repair volunteer and donor.
3. **Immersion in an Experience with Agape Mobility Ethiopia**
   Three Fort Wayne volunteers describe the joy and connection felt during wheelchair distribution in Ethiopia.

Scan this QR code for access to these videos:

Saba's Message

Since 2019, by the grace of God, I have been blessed with the opportunity to distribute **5,968 wheelchairs** to individuals in need, meeting and conversing with everyone of the recipients. It is a true honor to serve people with disabilities through the Agape love that comes from God alone.

With your support and God's guidance, Agape Mobility Ethiopia (AME) has continued to grow and now distributes wheelchairs throughout the country. **We have reached 66 cities** — including hospitals, shelters, and orphanages.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to the many organizations that have partnered with us in this mission. A heartfelt thank-you also goes to **our incredible volunteers** in Fort Wayne and Ethiopia — your dedication and compassion have made all the difference.

To continue this ministry and meet the incredible demand for mobility equipment, **we need your prayers and your financial gifts**. Would you consider an ongoing monthly donation at any level of giving? Your monthly gifts would bless our efforts and enable more long-term sustainability and planning.

Saba Marcos
Founder, Agape Mobility Ethiopia

Saba and the Addis Ababa team celebrate 5 years of mobility equipment distribution throughout Ethiopia. The Addis team is now trained in wheelchair distribution and fitting. Now, distribution can continue year-round, even when Saba returns to the US to fundraise and further grow resources and ministry opportunities.

Hope Haven Teams with AME for Distribution

Earlier this year, Central Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota purchased 200 wheelchairs from Hope Haven and generously donated them — along with other mobility devices to Agape Mobility Ethiopia, a gift that is truly transforming lives!

In April, the church sent a passionate team of **14 volunteers**, including orthopedic specialists, physiotherapists, and dedicated church members–all ready to serve with love, compassion, and open hearts–to distribute the equipment. The distribution took place at **Meserete Kristos Churchin Addis Ababa**, where **Pastor Nathan Pruett** led a powerful half-day training for 118 pastors focused on the importance of inclusive ministry. He reminded everyone that "disabled people are one of the most unreached communities in the world by the gospel."

We are overjoyed to report that **200 wheelchairs were distributed in just five days this April — 130 in Addis Ababa and 70 in Adama!** Even more incredible, **80 people came to Christ** during this outreach — touched not only by the mobility devices, but by the spiritual care and love they received.

After the training, volunteers and local leaders put their learning into action — personally delivering wheelchairs and ministering to individuals with disabilities. It was a moving and humbling display of Christ's love in action.

Pastor Nathan's message stirred the hearts of 118 regional pastors, inspiring them to embrace inclusive ministry and intentionally reach people with disabilities in their future work.