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A Church Planting Passion – Dr. Daniel John

“Our people are languishing without Christ, particularly in the rural areas and there are few people to proclaim the gospel. Churches are few and Islam is growing, so it is imperative that we act.”



Rev. Daniel John

This statement by Dr. Daniel John gives us a glimpse of his passion to train and send out church planters. Dr. John directs the Christian Leadership College, an AABS-affiliated school in Sierra Leone. Just a few years ago this school had a class size of 150 students, and planting a church by each student was their graduation requirement. Soon after this Dr. John expanded his college to 4 locations in Sierra Leone and to nearby countries such as The Gambia and Guinea.

But in recent years, because of the pandemic restrictions and financial challenges, Dr. John has changed his strategy. His Christian Leadership College continues to operate in one location with 60 current students. In addition, he started a mobile training program with the goal of holding classes in each of Sierra Leone’s 16 districts. He states, “(In this way) we can reach and train more pastors.” Last year the mobile training was conducted in the 3 districts of Koinadugu, Pujehun and Kambia with 42, 30, and 60 graduates, respectively. Next in their target is the Port Loko and Kailahun Districts.



Rev. Daniel John (left) with some of his lecturers



A graduation

Two new churches have been planted recently, in spite of the pandemic restrictions and financial challenges, bringing the total number of churches he has planted to over 100. Will you join me in praying that God will provide Dr. John with the open doors and finances he needs to continue his church planting movement?

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