

Instructions:

- 1 - Attach a photograph of your family. If you are single, attach a "full body" photograph of yourself.
- 2 - Attach any other photographs you may have showing your family or ministry, such as church members, a baptism, a preaching service, etc.
- 3 - Please answer all questions with as much detail as possible. Use extra paper if necessary.

Application for Support from the Final Frontiers Foundation, Inc.

Personal Information:

Name: Ephata Sedimu Mbise

Name you are called by if different: No

Your birthday: September (Month) 15 (Day) 1952 (Year)

Your wife's name: Phoibe

Your wife's birthday: October (Month) 6 (Day) 1956 (Year)

Your tribe (if any): Mmeru

Your wife's tribe (if any): Mmeru

Date of your marriage: October (Month) 20 (Day) 1974 (Year)

What is your nationality?: Tanzanian

What country do you live in?: Tanzania

What city/town do you live in?: Tengeru

How far away is a large city if you live in a small town: 30 Kilometers ☐miles ☐kilometers

In what direction is the large city if applicable?: West ☐North ☐South ☐East ☐West

Your children's names:

Elituliza Ephata
Elikananyi Ephata
Amani Ephata
Mary Ephata
Ikaeli Ephata
Aimbora Ephata
Jonas Ephata
Rubeni Ephata

Your children's birthdays:

August 5, 1975 .
November 18, 1978 .
December 15, 1981 .
June 9, 1984 .
July 13, 1987 .
January 28, 1990 .
August 18, 1992 .
October 23, 1994 .

- 1 - Please write a detailed testimony of your salvation and call to the ministry.**

TESTIMONY

My name is Ephata Sedimu Mbise. I was born in a pagan family. It was very difficult for me to reach a point of making a decision to accept the Lord as my Savior because in my community and clan as large every person is like a property of that family. I used to do things which are required by the community such as worship of gods through ancestors and consulting of witch-doctors. One day a group of people visited our village telling people about the Lord Jesus. They were doing house to house evangelism. They gave me a track to read and told me to come next day. When they came, I decided to give my life to Jesus. This happened when I was 19 years old. I joined a Baptist church where I was baptized.

My call to ministry came as a result of a habit I started to adopt of joining my pastor who used to witness people in different villages. The time came in which I felt a burden of going to tell the lost people our village about Jesus. I thank the Lord because during this time I saw many people accepting the Lord through my witnessing. The church later called me to be their pastor.

- 2 - Please write your personal doctrinal statement.**

I believe in God our Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Through teaching I am able to tell and believe that the three persons of God is a revelation in which three names stand for the only God. I believe in the authority of the Bible as a revelation of God through which a man can learn and live according to God's will. I believe in the second coming of Jesus Christ for the rapture of His church. I believe that the presence of Satan is real because the Bible tells so, and is the transgressor of God's will. I believe in the ordinances given to the church by Jesus Christ, which are the baptism of believers and partaking of the Lord's Supper for those who have invited Jesus Christ in their lives. I believe in the great commission of our Lord Jesus of reaching the whole world with the Good News of the Gospel, through teaching them and baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

- 3 - Please write a brief testimony of your wife.**

My wife was born in a pagan family and her parents are pagans. One day she went to an air open preaching meeting. There she was able to hear the word of the Gospel and gave her life to Jesus. Since that time she joined a Baptist church. She started a new life and was baptized. She works together with me in serving the Lord and encourages me. She go together with other church members to the neighbors houses to witness to the lost people.

Financial:

4 - List your monthly needs and costs.

Food	-	250,000/-	monthly
Other family needs are:	-	90,000/-	monthly
Total	-	340,000/-	

5 - Do you have any monthly income, and if so, how much?

No.

6 - Are you employed by a denomination? (Do you receive a salary from a denomination?)

No.

7 - Do you work any other jobs, and if so, what are they? How many hours do they require each week?

Yes I work as a farmer. I work 18 hours per week.

Ministry Experience:

8 - Please check the types of ministries you are regularly involved in.

church planting	✓ discipleship	Bible teacher
Bible translator	radio preacher	leper ministries
✓ open air evangelism	film team	✓ evangelism
literature distribution	prison ministries	slum ministries
tribal evangelism	✓ child evangelism	other (explain)

9 - Are you actively and consistently involved in training others for the ministry?

I use to work and train others for ministry.

10 - What are the names of preachers that you have trained? Where do they serve?

Langaeli
Goodluck
Antoni
Ayubu

11 - Where did you attend Bible school? Who trained you for the ministry?

My Bible school teacher was Pastor Gadiel Mchomvu

12 - What ministries have you been involved with in the past and where were they?

- Reaching Soul International from USA

13 - How many churches have you started? Two churches

14 - What are their names? Where are they located?

1. Mwakenyi Baptist church and
2. Ngarenanyuki Baptist church
These churches are in the country of Tanzania.

15 - What countries do you serve in and what tribal groups do you work with?

Mainly in Tanzania with Mmeru tribe.

16 - How many languages do you speak and what are they?

Swahili and Kimeru

17 - How many souls have you led to Christ in your life? About 439 people.

How many have you baptized in your life?

The baptized ones are about 134.

18 - Do you work alone or with other preachers? Give details.

I work with others through doing evangelism and open – air meetings.

Relevant Family Information:

- 19 - Are all of your children Christians and have they been baptized? If not, please explain.**

My children are Christians. All of them have already given their lives to the Lord Jesus.

- 20 - What is your house made of and how many rooms does it have?**

It is made of mud, woods and iron sheet.

- 21 - What are your favorite foods**

Maize, rice and banana.

- 22 - Describe a typical daily schedule.**

Everyday I work for 4 hours for my personal activities from 8.00 am to 12.00 pm.
From 12:00pm to 2:00 pm I come to rest at home
On Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 2.00pm to 5.00 pm I work for evangelism and visitation.
Saturdays I go to church's choir from 3.00 pm to 5.30 pm
On Sundays from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm I attend worship service.

- 23 - Describe your wife's typical daily schedule.**

From 7.30 to 8.00 cleaning the house.
From 8:00am to 11.00am gardening and small other family duties.
From 11:00 am to 1:00 she prepares family lunch.
From 2:00pm to 5:00 she joins me in evangelism.

- 24 - Do you grow your own food or do you purchase it?**

My family use to buy food that we do not have and we grow a small portion of it.

Accountability:

- 25 - Though you will not be employed by Final Frontiers, will you be willing to acknowledge (when asked in person or in writing) that you receive support from us?
Yes I will be willing.

Summary:

If you would like to give us any other information than what was asked for, you may do so.

First of all I would like to thank you for sending this form to me. I will try to serving the Lord as He did call me in ministry. Pray for me and for my family.

Final Notes:

Remember that we will use the information you give us to write a short biography about your family and ministry. The more detailed information we have, the better. Also, we will need four to five photos of your ministry including one of your family). Such information will help us, not only in finding a sponsor for you, but also for other men around the world who need help. When sending photos, please remember to always write an explanation on the back side of the picture.

Funds will be sent to you (once approved and having found a sponsor) on a quarterly basis. If your report has not arrive at our office by that time, your support will be suspended until we receive your letter or quarterly report. If political or geographic barriers prohibit you from mailing quarterly reports, exceptions can be made. However, we must receive information as often as possible to be accountable to the donors.

Please pray for us daily that God will equip us to find sponsors for men like yourself, in need around the world.

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