



Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying,
 "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?"
 Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!"
 Isaiah 6:8

(from left) Russ M. (Canada), Stefan (S. Africa), Miheret (Ethiopia), Richard (Singapore) and Russ searching for food in the night market near our hotel in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

During my recent trip to Thailand, I was deeply encouraged by the vision and passion of other men who seek to hear God's voice and to serve Him using the unique vocational skills He has given them. Here are two of their stories.
 Enjoy! *Russ*



Oumar (from Mali), Russ and Miheret (from Ethiopia.) Three technology guys from three different countries each heard God's unique call to serve him with their skills.

Miheret's Story

Miheret was born in Arsi Negelle, a small town in Ethiopia. At 10 years of age, he became very ill with malaria. The doctors at the hospital told his mother to take him home to die, but his mother refused their counsel and kept him in the hospital. She prayed continually for him and told the doctors, "No, he will not die. God gave all my children to me and they will all live to give glory to God."

God answered her prayers and eventually Miheret recovered.

At boarding school in grade 11 Miheret started a discipleship ministry with other students. Later, while on a mission trip to South Ethiopia, God spoke to him in a vision telling him how He would use Miheret to reach many people for Him using

technology. Because of God's word to him, Miheret chose to study computer science at the university. He became involved with Campus Crusade and got training in evangelism and discipleship.

After graduation from the university, he worked for a telecommunications company for one year and developed a local outreach to young professionals. Miheret also found ways to reach out to people online. People from all over the world were posting questions about spiritual topics and getting answers from a man in Ethiopia! With this in mind, he left his job and went to work full-time with Campus Crusade last year. His vision is to build a communications center in Ethiopia, using technology to reach the world for Christ.

Oumar's Story

Oumar was the youngest son of the youngest wife of an important muslim man in Mali. Because of his academic abilities he was sent to the capital city of Bamako to complete his schooling. While there he became a follower of Jesus Christ and earned a government scholarship to a University in Paris, France. His extended muslim family knew only of the scholarship. Oumar says the distance between him and his family protected him from death for converting from Islam.

That time and distance away also allowed Oumar to grow in his faith and

become a discipler of others.

Upon returning to Mali seven years later with a Master's Degree in Computer Science, Oumar understood that the government expected him to return their favor by coming to work for them. Once again, Oumar followed a different calling. Somehow, both the government and his muslim family let him go without further incident.

Oumar and his wife Rachel have now been serving with Campus pour Christ in Francophone Africa for more than 20 years.