

May 22, 2013

Our Dear Friends and Prayers Partners,

It is a great encouragement for us to know that our Lord is still at work, especially in the saving of lost souls. His promises remain true. What a great blessing to have Him for our Lord and our Guide! Thank you for your prayers, your giving, and your words of encouragements. We bless the Lord for you!

We have mentioned to you about our soccer team project and we specified that it is primarily for evangelism purposes. Well, it is now in full swing and the Lord is really at work. We were not expecting these many blessings when we were first felt led to start it: our Lord is really good, Who also knows everything.

We had wanted to have a team of 18 players but when we realized that several young men were showing so much interest, we raised the limit to 24 members. The idea is not to limit the number of young men that we should reach for Christ. But with the team comes a great deal of financial responsibility as well. Therefore we must have a limited number. Others will be reached through the team.

As you can see in the photos, we got for them jerseys (two sets of 12, light green and orange) and a complete uniform. We also got them 3 soccer balls, a pump to inflate the balls with, socks, and a few other things. We have not been able to get soccer shoes for them: they are a little more expensive. Little by little we are exposing them to the gospel. On Sunday afternoon, April 28, we gathered 18 of them and I presented to them a clear presentation of the gospel. By the end of the meeting, 11 of them gave their lives to Christ. I spoke with two other young men last weekend, to one Saturday and to the other on Sunday morning in church, and they both received Christ.

We will be working with them about coming to church. Three are already worshipping faithfully with us on Sundays. The Lord is really at work! Thank you for your prayers. Please continue to pray. We are working with 28 of them at present and some are yet to hear the gospel. One of them is a Jehovah's Witness by the name of Sam. Please pray for his salvation. We have not forgotten about the children. We are praying that the Lord would provide so we can start the Bible Club for them as well. Our land project is a step in this direction.

The ministry at large is going well. The Lord is blessing and opening doors for us. We baptized one in March. Three more people are in line for baptism. There is no place in our immediate vicinity where we can baptize new believers. We therefore go to the beach about 50 kilometers away (a little over 30 miles). Because of the distance, we will hold one baptism for those who should be baptized probably in July. We have to rent more than one taxis and it is costly. We need a ministry vehicle. Please pray that the Lord would provide one for us.

Please continue to pray for our land project. We have already paid for one of the two lots that we need (one lot is 20 x 30 meters that is 32.8 x 21.8 yards). The Lord has started to provide for the second lot. We need \$4,950

more. The proprietors are holding the second lot for us until the end of August 2013. If we are not able to pay for it in full by the end of August, it will be sold to other buyers. We can but trust the Lord for this. (Please see the photo: we have erected some bricks which we painted in white to show our landmarks as you can see in the photo). A final receipt will be issued to us in September.

We are praying for another work which we would like to start in another village belonging to the county of Vogan, about 46 miles from Sanguera. At present, we are doing some preliminary works there. Please pray with us regarding this and please ask the Lord to give us the right man under whose leadership this ministry should be. Some souls have already been reached for our Lord there.

Thank you for your prayers! We are praying for a blessed summer for all of you. May the Lord prosper you in His good work and may His grace abound for us all.

The Lord is good always,

Mawuli & Stella Togbi-Wonyo

Serving in Togo, West Africa



Soccer Team



Baptism at the beach



The two lots: front view