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Dear Pastor and Brethren,

February 2017

Receive our lovely greetings from Togo. We are thrilled to share with you what our Lord and Savior is doing through you and us around here.

Family News

We are all doing fine, even though Justine sometimes struggles with her diabetes. Joash left for Québec, Canada on January 13th for his college studies in engineering. Here is the last picture we took with him in the airport shortly before



his departure. He got there safely and now has to catch up for the classes had already started. He is staying off Campus with Justine's younger sister. For this semester he is doing what they called "Prepare". The school fees are about \$8,000. We prayerfully hope that the Lord will provide this amount. We are also prayerfully looking for scholarship opportunities for him either in Canada or in the States. If you can help in this, let us

know. Please, feel free to e-mail him at: joash.laodima@gmail.com.

Ministry News

Every year, Justine and I receive the men serving with us and their wives for an agape dinner. This year it occurs on January 21. On this occasion, we gave a kind of annual report on our different fields. We thank God and give him all the glory for: (1) keeping all of us alive, (2) meeting our daily needs, (3) the souls saved, baptized and being edified, (4) the construction work progress at SBC, GNBC, CBC and many other achievements.

Here is 2016 vs. 2015 Annual Average Attendance and Baptism. (A=Adults; C=Children)

| | SUNDAY MORNING | | | SUNDAY Evening | | WEDNESDAY EVENING | | BAPTISM | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----|-------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------|------|
| CHURCH | 20 A | 2015 A C | | 2016 A C | | 2016 | 2015 (A) | 2016 (A) | 2015 | 2016 |
| Savior Baptist Church | 23 | 15 | 25 | 14 | (A) 123 | 127 | 102 | 125 | 20 | 17 |
| | 9 | 1 | 0 | 7 | | | | | | |
| Good News Baptist Church | 121 | 73 | 135 | 68 | 74 | | 43 | 56 | 13 | 16 |
| Good Shepherd Baptist Church | 82 | 76 | 85 | 73 | 73 | 50 | 43 | 47 | 7 | 03 |
| Conqueror Baptist Church | 96 | 88 | 99 | 81 | 54 | 52 | 44 | 41 | 5 | 07 |
| Faith Baptist Temple | 71 | 66 | 67 | 66 | 45 | 40 | 45 | 34 | 9 | 12 |
| Redeemer Baptist Church | | | 37 | 57 | | | | 46 | | 14 |

From February 8th to the 13th, David led a missionary team made up of a lady and four men, (including himself) to **Dapaong**, a town located in the far north at about 450 miles from Lomé, where we dwell. During three days, we had teachings and prayer in the morning and films projection and preaching in the evening (7 to 9 p.m.). This resulted into over twenty (20) professions of faith. We had a great inaugural church services on Sunday the



12th with a good crowd among which was the chief of the area. On the following Wednesday, Emmanuel, the young man we left there to take care of the work, said there were 22 children and 45 five adults in attendance. On the following Sunday, he numbered 47 children and 50

adults. Praise God with us for bringing into existence this new church, *Hope Baptist Church*. Praise God also for saving us from two accidents we nearly had on our way back. We are also thankful to the Lord for providing for a building for these new converts. A special thank you to Fellowship Baptist Church, Emlenton, PA for giving \$ 2,000 toward the construction of the building. A big thank you to Women Missionaries at Williamsburg Independent Baptist Church, PA for their Christmas gift of \$800 which we used in this building. We still need about \$ 1,000 to



finish up the construction work. We also need about 50 chairs. Last Sunday some of them had no seat to sit on. Please be in prayer with us for these new converts saved from idol worship. Please remember in your prayers Redeemer Baptist Church, our other young church which is now over two years old.

Our next goal is to construct a church building at Lassa and launch an evangelism campaign that will result in establishing this embryonic church. We already purchased the land. The work is estimated at \$600. We are also praying for the Lord's provision to establish the new church at Ketao. Thank you very much for being our co-workers in this great work.

Around January, we received from a lady in Lomé a gift including many items for the Redeemer House kids. We certainly appreciate the local support to the orphanage. However, most of the support still comes from our supporting churches. Please, keep praying for the Redeemer House orphans. Actually it takes about \$800 a month to meet the needs of these kids. Most of this

amount is taken from our general support and as a result we have hard time meeting the needs of the church planting work. Please, pray and consider supporting the orphanage or one of the orphans.

As you can see, your financial and prayerful investment is bearing fruits. For sure, Heaven will reveal and reward your endeavor together with us for our Lord's glory.



Thank you for your faithfulness. The Laodima Family and Co-workers