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Harvest Baptist Missions 4116 Columbia Road N. Olmsted, OH 44070



- Planting Churches
- Training Gospel Ministers
- Establishing a Bible Institute
- Establishing aChristian School
- Ministering Unto the Orphans
- Assisting with Micro-Finance / Job Skill Training

"for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!"

- 1 Corinthians 9:16b

Dear Pastor and Brethren,

June 2015

It is high time we wrote and shared with you the most recent development of the Lord's work around here.

The boys are getting ready for their final school exams. It is our prayer that the Lord gives each one of them an excellent result. We are thankful to the Lord for giving Justine enough health and strength (despite her diabetes) to take care of the home work, ministry work, as well as her solicitor work.

We are at the peak of the raining season. While we enjoy the low temperatures, we hate driving on muddy and bumpy roads.

We thank God and give Him all the glory for what is achieved in the last two months. Our full time missionary team composed of nine (9) men and their families is actively involved in planting fundamental Bible believing Independent Baptist Churches in Togo. Other men, though not in full time, are also involved in the work one way or another. Our legal missionary organization in Togo is called ARED (in French) and AMSG (in English). AMSG means "At the Meeting and School of God". For further information, please go to

<u>www.ared-amsgministries.com</u>. Please feel free to check on our Prayer Letters on HBM website: <u>www.harvestbaptistmissions.org</u>. The truth of the matter is that we are serving with all of you, unceasingly praying for us, encouraging us and giving money for the work. We are indeed thankful to our heavenly Father for your faithful support.

Church planting apart, our present ministry activities includes training Gospel ministers, ministering unto orphans and forsaken children and assisting brethren in microfinance projects/job, skills training.

At *Savior Baptist Church*, our Missions basis, we are currently training the church members on soul winning and discipleship. To this end I wrote two booklets: one entitled "The Soul Winner" and the other "The Disciple of Christ". We are planning on launching a soul winning campaign in August. We are praying for one hundred professions of faith. Please join us in this prayer. I have been feeling the Lord is leading me to write books in French. The very first book I would like to publish is entitled "The Path to God's Blessing and Prosperity". There





is such a pervasive wrong biblical view on this subject here that it is necessary, even imperative, to bring up the correct biblical one. Please pray that the Lord gives me insight and wisdom in doing so.

At *Good News Baptist Church*, a six day revival on the theme, "the Filling of the Holy Spirit" has renewed the zeal and commitment of the Church members. The Church here is getting ready to start the Temple construction work by September. The very first wedding in the Church is expected in August. We are looking forward to replacing the current shelter with a real building. Please be in prayer with us in this respect.

The **Conqueror Baptist Church** is praising God for many professions of faith in the course of these last months. Please pray that these new converts stay in Christ and in Church. Most of the Church members here are illiterate and jobless. Please, pray for the Church finances.





The brethren at *Good Shepherd Baptist Church* are praying for water drilling. Imagine a church without water. The 21 days of prayer chain they had in May was a real blessing to the church. Currently they are struggling with the completion work on the building destined for children Sunday school and chapel and pastor's office.

At *Faith Baptist Temple* the brethren are constructing a building that will be used for multi-purpose: Church services, Sunday school classes and Christian School classes. The work is progressing slowly as the Lord provides. Their goal is to finish the work before September.

Started last year, our 6th church, *Redeemer Baptist Church* is growing both in number and spiritually. We praise God for the very first five new converts baptized on Pentecost Sunday. The current average attendance on Sunday morning is 30 adults and 45 children. We have scheduled training on soul winning for the members in August. We would like them to get involved in soul winning in the area. Both the temple and the orphanage construction works are progressing. Additionally, we are erecting a building for kitchen, warehouse and cook...



Orphanage dorms construction progress



Orphanage kitchen, warehouse and cook dorm

As you can see, a lot of work must be done before we bring in the orphans. Please pray for the Lord's provision in order for us to make the roughcasting, pose the tiles, fix the windows and the bathrooms, and install the lights. We will also need beds, mattresses and sheets. The Lord has already provided money for water drilling. All these works are to be done before the school resumes in September. We pray and expect that our LORD will meet all these needs.

We just started our 7th church plant at *Dapaong*, a town located in the North at about 450 miles from Lomé, where we live. For the meantime, we hold a Bible study class with 15 adults and 15 children. The brethren at Savior Baptist Church made commitment to give the \$3,000 to purchase two lots of land for this new born church.

Our 8th new work is in my hometown called *Ketao*. We felt compelled to start a new church when we realized that there was no Baptist church at all in this town located at 360 miles from Lomé. Currently, we have Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services with 10 adults and 11 children. Our need here is to purchase a piece of land for this young church.

At *Kara*, the country's second largest city, we started a Bible study class in an area called Lassa. We currently gather 10 adults and 20 kids in a house. We need \$8,000.00 to purchase two lots for this embryonic church.

It is our prayer that the Lord establishes all these new churches. Here is what we believe: if this is from the Lord, He will pay the bill. It will take many "miracles" to plant all these new churches. Accordingly, it requires more commitment and more faith from us. Please join us in this trip of faith with your prayerful and financial support.

May the Lord be with all of you!

Eliel, Lemuel, Joash, Justine and David Laodima