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We are still asking the Lord to provide land for our second embryonic church, **the Way of Heaven Baptist Church** at Kétao. So far, the brethren hold their Sunday morning and Thursday evening church services in a rented room; but the new owner asked them to leave as soon as possible. Last Sunday they did not have church services because the owner locked the door and went away. Please pray for the new place of worship for them and for the Lord's direction and provision in the establishment of this new church.

As this picture shows, the church Temple in construction at Avinato (Madjikpeto) is almost ready for the mezzanine's concrete. To do the concrete, we need about \$8,000. We are currently raising funds to this end. To meet this challenge, the brethren made up their mind to do two things: (1) give sacrificially, (2) fast and pray earnestly. The whole church is excited about the electricity they got just last week. Another bit of good news is that they purchased 80 new plastic chairs.



In October, the Redeemer Baptist church, Davié, will be having its third anniversary. Please be in prayer with us for the spiritual and numerical growth of this church. The church keyboard is out of use; we are praying for a new one.

August 2-6<sup>th</sup>, I conducted a Bible conference on my new book, THE PATH TO DIVINE BLESSINGS AND PROSPERITY at **Faith Baptist Temple**, **Notsé**. What a blessing to listen to the participants (some from other churches) bearing testimony about how blessed they are. A man came to me and said this: "after listening you, my life will never be the same".

I am currently (August 23-26<sup>th</sup>) conducting the Bible conference on the same book at **Good News Baptist Church**. Bro. Didier, our co-worker gives thank to the Lord for both numerical and spiritual growth of the church. He said the emphasis on evangelism is bearing fruits. In July for instance, there were 19 new converts and four baptized. We are all thankful to the Lord for the construction work progress. Justine's father who is helping a lot in this church had been sick, even near to death. He is doing better now. Please pray for him.



The brethren at **Good Shepherd Baptist Church** are currently in the process of making the cement blocks for their future church temple. Our goal here is to start the church temple construction by 2018. The subject on "The Apostolic Spiritual Gifts" developed by Bro. David from June 1-3 enlightened the whole church on this issue. As you know, we have so many so-called apostles around here sustaining a great deal of confusion on the issue.

At **Savior Baptist Church**, we are struggling to get the church ready for both the Temple dedication and autonomy. Initially scheduled for November 2017, these two events are postponed to February 2018. We expect Dr. Steve Williams, HBM missions' director and his wife Kris, on this occasion. We will like to have some of you to come and join us and see what the Lord is doing around here. If you are interested in coming, please talk with Bro. Steve. It is our prayer that the Lord makes all this become a reality.

The school year at **Redeemer House** ended well: all of them passed to the next class, some of them with very good grades. Yao for instance is first over 37; John is first over 47; Camille is second over 37 and Joel second over 31. The picture here gives you an idea about what their dormitory looks like. We need five more beds like the one in the picture; their cupboards need doors. We see many good changes in their lives and we praise God for that. We are planning to take them to the beach of Lomé in September shortly before their classes start.



Among the applications submitted to us, we would like to select at most three. Please remember the Redeemer House kids in your prayers.

THANK YOU again for your support. The Lord be with you.

The Laodima Family





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