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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year has been very good, in terms of our work here in Nso', Cameroon. We thank you for your prayers and support for all of this. The Lord continues to keep us safe and healthy. We have also been blessed with record attendance in Bible School and in the Annual Scholarship Lectureship. Yet the most rewarding results this year have been the three congregations we have started.

Brother Jean Pierre Magnam's TEAM started a congregation down at Liv, still within the Nso' tribal area. Brother Simon Kiru's TEAM started a congregation at Ndem, Mbo'o in Oku, with more baptisms this month. Brother Fai Emmanuel's TEAM added members at Mbinon and Lassin, the areas in Noni where they have been working. My TEAM, at Ngham, Oku, have started the congregation at Koiykwak. I continue to go there many weekends, and we keep on visiting and studying with prospects.

The Bible School had 10 French speakers in the regular sessions this year, the largest number since 2003. For the first time ever, we have had a French section also in our Advanced Courses this summer, with 4 Francophones. In the English sections, we have had 5 or 6 throughout the terms.

The Bible School also has an Annual Scholarship Lectureship the fourth week of May. This year we had almost 130 congregations represented and a record attendance of 494. This was in spite of the travel difficulties, but we asked long-distance people to come early, on Sunday, to be ready to start on Monday afternoon. All the speakers' lessons were printed and in the free file folders. Feeding, water supply, and sleeping arrangements went better than ever. We really have a great congregation in the States supporting this special effort every year. We hope more of you will visit during that time.

In January we supported, with material and some personnel, a campaign outside of Bamenda, to start a new congregation at Awing. In February we took two car-loads of workers way back in the bush down a hand-dug road to Ekuru Up. This congregation hosted an Mbembe Lectureship/Campaign for the natives of that tribal area - 5 hours north of us. We have a family working part-time in that area.

In March, we were blessed with three visitors from Collinsville. They were an elder (Jason Wright), a deacon (Jeff Davis), and the preacher, Kelvin Pugh. We were happy with the opportunity to show them the work they have so loyally overseen for many years. They got to see a lot of different areas, like Ngham, Ndu, Buu, and others. During their stay, we had a North West Quarterly Lectureship/Campaign that was hosted by the Ngondzen congregation. The visitors were especially impressed by the evangelistic spirit and efforts of the people in this area. They asked so many questions about that and methods of soul winning. They hope to rejuvenate their evangelistic outreach at Collinsville also.

I mentioned about the congregations that have been started and added to, this last dry season. We normally do that work from the end of October, when we have Bible Distribution house-to-house in the 8 - 10 targeted quarters where we will preach. We have been working in TEAMS of four, three days every weekend, right to the end of April. Our normal schedule has been to leave right after Chapel at the Bible School on Fridays, to return very early on Monday mornings, to resume teaching in School. We try to preach at a Public Bible Lecture point each of those three evenings, with worship and personal evangelism in between. This is a very tiring schedule, expensive, and hard on the vehicles. However, we hope to modify it this next year, including another day-trip preaching place, instead of Sunday evenings. Please pray that we will work out something that will allow for even better results.

Please keep Cameroon in your prayers. The Lord is taking care of us, just as He does in our travels to dangerous cities in the United States! Thank you for all you do to spread the Gospel here.

In His service,

Paul

IOTS from JANET

Dear Christian friends,

I hope each of you is enjoying the warmer weather. As I read something on facebook yesterday, only 17-18 more weeks until the snow comes in some areas! So just remember that, when you are too hot! Ha. We have pretty moderate temperatures year round: 57-80 degrees on average, so it is perfect for me. And I love to hear the rain on our tin roof - Not looking forward to dust starting in November.

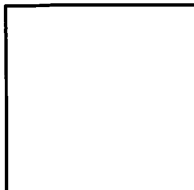
I am really enjoying my new big "clinic room," which is actually our garage. I had it painted and cleaned out last year about September. There is so much room we can lay down three new, extra long bamboo benches and four shorter, older bamboo benches with plenty of room in between for the "assembly line" of eyeglass boxes. I am excited to be studying the Bible with a former patient . He is now on the last course and has been very serious to ask questions. We have recently been studying the differences between denominations and what is seen in the Bible. I hope the studies comes to fruition. His name is Patrick. Please pray for him.

The Women's three-hour Bible Class once a month continues. It has to be on a certain "country" day, so it is not the same Saturday every month. Sometime it is three weeks or 5 weeks apart. It is kind of hard to keep up with. While I visited the States this spring for a few weeks, I handed over the organization of the class to Elizabeth, an elder's wife. She went through the Bible School and is very qualified. She summarizes up all the three lessons (for late comers), answers questions and adds needed points. I have asked her to continue for a while, although I will continue to be a teacher and song leader whenever needed. We have had record attendances of up to 23 women coming. The various teachers are doing an excellent job, with the guidelines of some lessons from the "Christian Woman magazine." I have plenty of them and other lesson books in stock. This helps to keep the lessons from being redundant. Our singing in the high-ceilinged auditorium is awesome!!

I have had to hire and control some extra workers to get some things done around our compound. Dead cypress branches hanging over the wet road needed cutting. My garden had turned into a jungle while I was gone, so I had to hire a special gardener to clean out all the weeds. With all the rain, though, it needs to be done every week!! Electrical problems still crop up often. Last week our relatively new deep freezer sprung a gas leak. The light bulb holders keep burning and cracking, and bulbs keep blowing. Sometimes it feels like a lot of my time is spent in repairs, over and over. Please pray for my patience.

In Christian love,

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