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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

By the time you receive this, I'll have left, very early on November 4th, the day after the election. My arrival in Cameroon was at 10:35 p.m., and Njong Norbert, my mechanic, was to meet me there.

This trip to Cameroon has three main purposes: First, to attend the National Annual Gospel Lectureship on November 26th to 29th. It is hosted this year at the Bangangte congregation, which was started by Sister Rannie Butler, through Bible correspondence courses. They have great leaders, and we will spread out in a big community hall. People will attend from around the country. Covid-19 has not been very bad there, with about 435 deaths in 23 million people, but everyone must wear masks!

Second, my first four weeks, including the Lectureship, will be in the French speaking regions. I will visit some congregations and the French section of our Bible School, which is now in Dschang. I have rented two rooms in Mbouda, a bilingual city of 111,000. We have a good congregation there. During my time there, I will be looking for a house to prepare and rent for our return planned for May. For security reasons, we may have to live in and work out of the French part of Cameroon for a while. If we have to, we will re-open the English section of the Bible School there, and work out from there. Plus, I need to make sure Janet feels secure, has electricity, internet, and running water!

Third, if conditions allow, Janet and I will decide around the end of the month about whether I can go back to our house in Nso', for two weeks. I will have a borrowed dog and watchmen day and night, because of the danger of kidnaping by the separatists. Remember I was there (without running water) for 37 weeks straight in 2018-2019! Many things have improved in Nso', with some schools re-opening, people able to farm, the roads being open most of the time, and the return of the Fon (king) to Nso'. The Churches are all meeting, and our people have been very busy, using motorcycles to visit congregations in the villages. Some that were closed in 2017 have re-opened, and several have had baptisms recently. We are especially happy for our co-workers, evangelists Fai Emmanuel and Kiru Simon, and my secretary, Joshua Banye, for their untiring efforts to keep working in unsafe conditions.

You should also be aware that during this time in the States, we have had opportunities to serve. Most congregations have not wanted us to visit since the lock-down in March, so we have not been able to continue reporting. In fact, not being able to stay with people or even to leave a hot-spot like Memphis and worship in other states, has really put a crimp in our fund raising. Please pray about this, because this is budget time, and we pray for families and congregations to continue to take part with us in this effort. We are really hurting for money, having lost over \$3,000 a month! However, for almost three months, we worshiped here with Macon Road, and I led singing. After their part-time preacher left, I also preached for three weeks. I also had opportunities to preach in Mississippi and Alabama, so I felt better than just worshipping on-line. Hopefully it won't be long before we can travel.

Speaking of that, we have a New 25-minute video presentation on YouTube. You can find it by typing in "Kee Paul Janet Cameroon - Youtube". With Google, you have to get into YouTube first, then type "Kee Paul Janet Cameroon". This is suitable for Churches to also use on their websites, or to use for the sermon on Sunday morning. If you would like it as a video, or as a PowerPoint presentation, I will also send it to you on a flash drive. Just e-mail me and I will get it to you as soon as possible. Please take time to look at it, since we may not get to visit you until Spring, but be patient on Slide 1!

After doing business in Douala, at the coast, I will be traveling on to Dschang, where we temporarily moved the French Section of our Bible School in September 2018. Our other co-worker, Jean Pierre Magnam Maben and his wife, Rosine, are working there with two part-time teachers. They are brilliant, hard-working people. Both have Masters and she works full time for the Government.

From Dschang, I will go through Bafoussam on the 10th, to do bank business and look into shopping, to inform Janet. Then it is only 45 minutes to Mbouda, where Njong's in-laws live, and where his family is staying during the crises. I will be batching it there, but I will be moving around the area and getting ready for the Lectureship on the 26th. I will visit two or three other cities during those two weeks. We are already printing tracts and programs, sending out texts and e-mails, and getting our people ready. Last year, I had 50 to come down from Nso' to Mbanga in a car and three vans for the Lectureship. My dream this year is for me and Njong to travel with their convoy back to Nso' on the 29th. Please pray about this and we will try to make a wise decision at that time.

Janet is going to write some, but let me finish by talking about future plans. We don't know when we will be able to travel to see you, when Covid-19 will be controlled, or when the Anglophone crisis in Cameroon will be solved. Prayer really matters in all of this, and we ask you to pray for us, including our health and safety. Yet we will be going back in 2021, as planned, even if we are not able to actually stay in our own house for awhile. All of this is going to take money, and we are not able to meet people in the U.S. face-to-face yet. So we need your prayers and your support. One of the greatest things you can do is watch our video on YouTube and try to get your elders to see it and use it. If not for the many loyal supporters and contributors like you, we would never be able to do this work in Cameroon. But the Lord, through you, keeps making it possible and blessing us!

In HIS service, *W. Paul Kee*

JOTS from JANET

Dear Christian friends,

We praying for everyone's health, faith, and peace during this year. We've prayed for some of our dear friends who have cancer, and those who have lost loved ones. I also personally pray for all of the unborn who die every minute and for those in legislation who condemn them to death, or who are able to save them. I pray that God holds unborn souls tight in His bosom. Many changes have been in all our lives. For me, I'm privileged to care for my dear 88-year-old mom in my home. We had to move her out of independent living when Covid hit it. I share this honor with a sister. Also, our "small" 85-pound one-year-old Lab puppy has to be constantly cared for. She was supposed to be in Africa by now where she would be an outside dog. However, she stays and sleeps indoors, and is put outside when the weather permits. She's a handful, fun, loving companion and we've enjoyed having her during this quarantine.

In Christian love, *Janet M. Kee*

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