

# The Knickerbockers

Church Planting in Burkina Faso

# May 2012

# The Beginning

We praise the Lord for a wonderful Mission's Revival at Faith Baptist Church in Fairless Hills Pennsylvania last March, where we made many life long friends and gained prayer warriors.

During our time at Faith Baptist, The Lord met several of our needs, getting us closer to reaching our goals on deputation. God has truly blessed us and increased our faith during this special time.

# Candidate School

April 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> was our missionary training week with the WWNTBM staff and other missionaries. We enjoyed meeting and getting to know other missionaries with our mission board. We learned about the importance of presenting our burden for Burkina Faso in an effective way that will cause others to have a burden for world evangelism. We were greatly blessed by the pastor and the members of the Freedom Baptist Church in Pigeon Forge, TN who hosted this event.

### Interview

On Monday April 30<sup>th</sup>, Julie and I were interviewed by a group of pastors from around the United States who are on the executive board of World Wide New Testament Baptist Mission (WWNTBM).

The Purpose of this interview was to ask us our testimonies, our calling to the mission field, God's leading in our life as a couple, and what we believe concerning the scriptures. After a few moments of deliberation at the end of this process, these men unanimously voted to accept us on the mission board. This decision was then taken up before the rest of the executive members of the board, and on Friday May 11<sup>th</sup>, the office of WWNTBM printed our acceptance letter. We are excited to get started and bring before churches what God is leading us to do.

In Christ, Stephen & Julie Knickerbocker



Burkina Faso

West Albrica

# All power is given unto me ... Go ye therefore - Matthew 28:18-19

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#### Sending Church

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#### **Birthdays**

Stephen – 9/15 Julie – 9/26 Anniversary – 8/7/2010

#### **Missions Agency**

WWNTBM P.O. Box 725 Kings Mountain, NC 28086 wwntbm.com

#### <u>Praises</u>

-Prayers answered for Julie's paperwork process with the government. -Presentation and materials are coming together.

#### Prayer Request

-Favor with churches as we begin calling -Endurance on the road -Continued Health -Seek the lost around us -Preach with boldness -Trust the Lord