STEPHEN & JULIE NICKERBOCKER BURKINA FASO

January 2014

Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

Big Year

As we begin the year 2014, we are excited about what will be taking place. Lord willing, we will be completing our deputation trail and moving to Burkina Faso to start our ministry. We are currently at 80% of our needed financial support and are excited to start preparing for the big transition over seas. The Lord has given us a full schedule up to the middle of June with several missions conferences. Keep us in your prayers as Julie needs to renew her passport and Visa. We must also look for the best way to pack and ship the few belongings we have here in America. We are enjoying our deputation time and are looking forward to getting to Burkina Faso and discover more of God's blessings as we keep serving Him.

Planning Ahead

We praise the Lord for his provision and the participation of God's people to aide us and further our ministry. As we plan ahead for our move to Burkina Faso, we have calculated several financial needs. When Julie and I got married, we moved into a fully furnished apartment where our house expenses were minimal. Our belongings are summed up to books, clothes, dishes and kitchen appliances. Most of these items will be easy to bring with us as we fly to Burkina Faso. The major upcoming expenses will take place as we settle on the field. While we were in Burkina, we looked around and priced the home furnishing, a reliable vehicle, and appliances. If any of you are interested in helping, these expenses have been outlined on our website at <u>knickinburkinafaso.com/give</u>. We praise the Lord that many have already helped us along the way. We want to start planning and saving for these things now so that we are prepared for upcoming expenses down the road.

Ordination

Stephen's ordination will be taking place at Temple Baptist Church in Powell, TN, Wednesday the 26th of March 2014. The service will begin at 7:00 pm and will be live-streamed for anyone who is interested in watching at <u>faithforthefamily.com/</u><u>live</u>. This is a very important time as our home Church sends us for the furtherance of God's Kingdom, particularly in the country of Burkina Faso. Please pray for Stephen's father as he will be flying in from France for the ordination meeting. There are many exciting events taking place this year and we are eager to discover the Lord's blessings as we walk with Him. Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and partnership in the work of the Lord. Looking unto Jesus,

Stephen 🕲 Julie Knickerbocker

"Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord..." - Philippians 3:1

Prayer Requests

-Salvation of lost souls around us as we give the Gospel -More supporting churches -Wisdom in scheduling the last few meetings for 2014 -Julie's health: we have drastically changed Julie's diet in hopes to see improvement with her asthma. Please pray she will get used to this new "way of life".

-We are praying about a specific date to move to Burkina Faso. -God's provision for the

finances to get started in Burkina Faso.

-For safety as we travel from Delaware to florida the first week of February.

Praises

-We had some wonderful and encouraging meetings this month.

-We are receiving 80% of our needed financial support! - Julie's overall health has greatly improved since her change in diet.

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Birthdays

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