

STEPHEN & JULIE KNICKERBOCKER BURKINA FASO

February 2014

Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

God's Provision

We never cease to be amazed as we witness God's providing hand in our life. Several of the items needed when we get settled in Burkina Faso have been financially covered. It is truly exciting to have a team of God's people praying for us and desiring to make a difference in speeding up our move to the mission field. Not only have we seen funds come in for specific needs, but we are encouraged to report that we are now at 85% of our needed financial support. This month, we were able to pick up our mail- something we had not done in several months! We were greatly encouraged by the sweet Christmas Cards many of you wrote to us, and by the beautiful letters from children who attend churches who support us! We are getting very close to moving, and before we know it, we will be purchasing our one way tickets. There is still much to accomplish so please keep praying for the needs mentioned on our website at knickinburkinafaso.com/pray.

Winter in Florida

The Lord has orchestrated our schedule in such a way that during most of the winter storms, we have been in meetings and enjoying the sunny state of Florida. Amen, right there! We already heard from one church which voted us in as their missionary family to Burkina Faso. We were also able to schedule in a visit for Julie with an Allergy and Asthma Specialist. This has greatly helped us and given us many answers in treating her breathing. Please help us pray as we may schedule her for some blood test to finalize the allergy testing.

Couples Retreat

We are thankful that we were able to fit into our schedule the 8th annual "Faith for the Family" couples retreat, led by our Pastor, Clarence Sexton. This was really exciting for Julie and I as our Uncle and Aunt, Dan and Anne-Marie Knickerbocker, were invited to be one of the main couples, teaching and preaching during this encouraging event. "Civilization depends upon order in the home and when the home is broken down, civilization will go in the same direction". This was one of the main truths emphasized during the retreat. It made us re-think and re-focus on the fact that it is a tremendous responsibility to have a home life patterned after and founded in God's word. May we have a solid marriage, not allowing any room for the enemy.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and partnership in the work of the Lord.

Looking unto Jesus,

Stephen & Julie Knickerbocker

*"Submitting yourselves one to another
in the fear of God" - Ephesians 5:21*

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
- That we would be a blessing to pastors and the churches we visit.
- We are praying about a specific date to move to Burkina Faso.
- God's provision for the finances to get started in Burkina Faso.
- We slowly need to begin buying the smaller, necessary items we will be shipping to Burkina with us.
- For safety as we travel.
- Stephen's ordination: March 26th at 7:00 PM

Praises

- We attended a very helpful couples retreat.
- We are receiving 85% of our needed financial support!
- Julie's overall health has greatly improved since her change in diet.

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Birthdays

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Anniversary 8/7