# NICKERBOCKER BURKINA FASO

## **May 2014**

Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

**Financial Goal Complete** 

After 20 month of full-time deputation, we are thrilled to report that the Lord has provided 100% of our needed monthly financial support. We have often been asked: "Can a missionary ever need additional funds above what he has estimated as needful?" We have separated our income into two categories: personal expenses and ministry expenses. The personal funds will always be relatively the same each month; however, when it comes to ministry funds, the more funds the Lord provides, the more can be accomplished. We still have five meetings scheduled ahead of us and look forward to presenting our hearts desire for the cause of Christ in Burkina Faso.

## **Moving Preparation**

We are so thankful for all who have prayed for us as we prepare to move. It has been a great blessing to have many of you specifically donate to our moving fund. We have recently purchased 12 large footlocker totes into which we will pack our belongings to take to Africa. We are continuing to pack and organize our things as we travel back and forth to Tennessee in between meetings. Please pray as we work hard to go through everything, that we would only take what is necessary and that the Lord would grant us patience as we compile a detailed list of everything in each box. We have applied for Julie's Passport renewal and plan on purchasing tickets this month, as soon as we get the Passport back from the Canadian government. Once the plane tickets are purchased, we can move forward with paperwork and apply for her renewed visa to Burkina Faso. The Burkina Faso Embassy granted her a 1 month Visa last time we visited. We will be Applying for a 1 year (at least), multiple entry visa this time. Please help us pray that they will grant that request. We still expect to depart for Burkina Faso early August. Please review our website at knickinburkinafaso.com/give to specifically pray for other items that we will need to purchase once we get to the field.

Opportunity in Canada and Baby News

Please pray for us as we go to Canada in just a few weeks to spend time with Julie's family before we leave for Burkina Faso. We have a burden to be an encouragement, especially to Julie's mother, Danielle, who does not have spiritual guidance in her life. Help us pray that we would take advantage of the time that God gives us to be of a spiritual blessing to Julie's mother and extended family. Our recent baby appointment went well and baby is looking healthy and much bigger than the last time we saw him. Please keep praying that Julie's blood count would keep rising during this pregnancy.

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

Stephen 🕲 Julie Knickerbocker

"Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me" - Isaiah 6:8 -

## **Prayer Requests**

- -Salvation of lost souls around us as we give the Gospel
- -Salvation of Julie's extended family in Canada
- -Salvation of Stephen's extended family in France
- -More supporting churches
- -That we would be a blessing to pastors and the churches we visit
- -A specific date to purchase tickets to Burkina Faso.
- -God's provision for the finances as we purchase tickets, check in lots of luggages, pay for visas and get started in Burkina Faso
- -For safety as we travel
- -Safe and healthy pregnancy

## **Praises**

- -First baby due in October.
- -Baby is healthy.
- -We are receiving 100% of our needed financial support!
- -Many items we need to buy before we move overseas have been generously provided for and purchased.

#### **Contact Information**

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#### **Birthdays**

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