# NICKERBOCKER BURKINA FASO

## September 2016

Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

We arrived safely in Burkina on the 3rd of October and are reporting for the last month (September) in France.

## **Presenting in French Churches**

The Lord has allowed us to present our ministry in three churches in France. It was encouraging to see many of the church folks show interest in our ministry and committing to join us in Burkina through prayer. Since there are now 6 French-speaking churches and several French-speaking individuals who have showed interest in our ministry, we will begin writing a quarterly prayer letter in French. This will increase the number of prayer warriors assisting us for the cause of Christ in Burkina Faso.

## Preparing to return to Burkina

During our time in France, we've had time to reflect on our ministry in Burkina Faso and on the direction that the Lord has given us. We are so eager to return to our field of service and to get back into the swing of things. These past four months, our vision has been renewed and our zeal has been refreshed. I have also been able to translate different materials which will be useful for the ministry. It will be a unique joy to bring back our daughter with us to Burkina. Her addition to our family will no doubt revolutionize our lives. My uncle Tim told me that certain parts of scripture will now have a deeper meaning as we rear Alina for the Lord. We are praying that the attention her presence will command in Africa will open up more doors for us to preach the Gospel. We flew out from Paris and arrived in Burkina on October 3rd.

### **Julie and Alina**

Praise God for the sustaining health that Julie and Alina have enjoyed. Although Julie has fully recovered from delivering our baby, she remains tired as she cares for our child's every need and plans our return to Burkina. It has been a blessing for me to have extra free time to help Julie during this period of adjustment in our lives. Julie was also able to enjoy her father's presence for a week before we leave France. Please pray as we will once again be adjusting to life in Burkina Faso. Pray that Alina gets acclimated quickly to the weather changes. Please pray for our health as well as baby's as our return is planned during the high season for malaria.

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

Looking unto Jesus,

Stephen 🕲 Julie Knickerbocker

"As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby." - I Peter 2:2

## **Prayer Requests**

- -Health for Alina as she adjusts to Burkina Faso.
- -The Church to be organized before the end of the year.
- -Stable job for Aimer
- -Making disciples.
- -Salvation of souls.

## **Praise Reports**

- -All the passports and visas have been received.
- -Alina is a healthy baby.
- -We have had several opportunities to present our ministry with french churches.
- -Julie's father was able to spend a week with us in France.
- -We have safely returned to Burkina Faso.

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#### **Birthdays**

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