

The **KNICKERBOCKER** family

church planting in Burkina Faso

November 2020

Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

Building fund complete

Although certain states have imposed restrictions because of the virus, I was able to travel to Virginia, Maryland, and Connecticut to take part in missions conferences and give a report in supporting churches on the advancements of the ministry in Burkina Faso. Because of the approaching date of the birth of our son, Julie and the girls stayed in Tennessee while I traveled for the first two weeks of November. As I reported in supporting churches this fall, the Lord allowed us to raise more funds for the completion of the building project. I am pleased to say that as of the end of November, we have raised all the funds needed for the target amount that we had calculated for the completion of the building project. We want to extend a "thank you" to all those who have participated in the completion of this project. Much remains to be done esthetically on the building, but we are grateful that the property is fully built and functional.

David's health

David, who has been dealing with schizophrenia, recently had a doctor's appointment during which the doctor expressed his satisfaction with the progress of his health. We are really thankful for this great news. The folks of the church have expressed their relief in seeing David somewhat back to normal. Before the appearance of the schizophrenic symptoms, David was a tremendous encouragement to all; his testimony was irrefragable. It will no doubt take time for confidence to be restored and for David's testimony to be reestablished, but we are confident of this very thing, that God which hath begun a good work in David will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ (Phil. 1:6). We and the church are committed to continually help David with his health. Thank you for all those who have expressed that you are praying for David specifically.

4th Anniversary of the church

This year was our first time away from the church for anniversary Sunday. Although we were absent, we have received encouraging reports of the success of that day. There were a handful of first time visitors and one of the members who has to work on Sundays was able to get off for this special day. It is a thrill to see the church's excitement as the ministry carries on with Mamadou the interim pastor.

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



Stephen & Julie Knickerbocker

"And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." Romans 5:3-5

Prayer Requests

- Julie's pregnancy: Inducement scheduled for December 7th.
- Bienvenu and Mamadou as they lead the church in our absence**
- Training of the faithful men of the church
- Safety and wisdom for church construction project
- The fight against terrorism
- Spiritual and physical growth of the church
- A stable job for Vincent, Blaise, David, Bienvenu, and Serge
- Salvation of Ivette

Praise Report

- The elections in Burkina have gone well
- Building funds have been raised
- Encouraging time with supporting churches
- David's is stable in his health
- I'm keeping in touch with Choucrat on a weekly basis
- A successful anniversary celebration at the church

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Birthdays

Stephen 9/15
Julie 9/26
Alina 8/12
Kezia 5/26
Anniversary 8/7