

# The **KNICKERBOCKER** family

church planting in Burkina Faso

## November 2021

Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

### Video ministry

When I returned to Burkina Faso in August, I wanted to begin recording short videos dealing with a variety of biblical topics. The videos are to help our church members and others who may have an interest in the Bible to grow in their faith and understand biblical truths taught in scripture. There is a tremendous need for sound biblical teaching on social media and I started to post these videos on the facebook page of our church. We are thankful for people's comments and for the encouragements that certain people have expressed. On November 4th, I posted a video on the subject of "How to be born again?" By far, this has been the most viewed video with over 1,600 views. We are thankful for this means of getting the Gospel out to individuals. Please help us pray for wisdom as we choose topics to study and present through the church's social media.

### Bible studies with Valentin

This month, I have been conducting bible studies with a twenty year old young man named Valentin. He has been coming to church faithfully all month. I met him in October, and after leading Him to the Lord, I learned that he is from a catholic family and has a love for the word of God. He expressed interest in coming to our church and has not missed a Sunday morning. When I visited him in his home, I was impressed by his Bible knowledge and the amount of questions he had. He was relieved by the biblical answers I gave for he had been frustrated by the contradictions between the teachings of catechism and that of the Bible. Pray for Valentin as he seeks to further his education at a university and as he grows in his faith.

### 5th anniversary

It has been five years since the inauguration of the Bible Baptist Church of Boulmiougou. We had a wonderful time in our services on the last Sunday of November. A group of children from our kids club sang a special song, I preached on being the light of all nations, we renewed the church's faith promise commitment and we fellowshiped and shared a meal. That evening, we had a time of testimonies after viewing pictures of the last five years. Julie and I are so grateful to have the opportunity to serve the Lord in Burkina and invest our lives for the furtherance of God's kingdom. Please pray for Serge as I am training him for the ministry. We are eager to see God take this church to the next level through the leadership of a national pastor.



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

*Stephen & Julie Knickerbocker*

*"For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all." - Rom. 11:32*

### Prayer Requests

- Training Serge for the ministry
- Spiritual growth of Christian, Valentin, Choucrat, Michel, and Romari
- Korben, Alina, and Julie's visa
- Completion of building project
- Julie as she stays States side with the children
- Julie's citizenship (\$1,795 attorney fees)
- Business success for Choucrat
- Training of the faithful men of the church
- Spiritual and physical growth of the church
- A stable job for Vincent, David, and Serge
- The fight against terrorism

### Praise Report

- The video ministry is up and running
- A recent protest against the burkinabé president stayed contained with relatively little violence
- The church anniversary went well

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### Birthdays

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