



Dear Supporters, and Praying Partners,

Nov/Dec 2016

Happy New Year! It is hard to believe that while you are reading this, we are celebrating one year on the field. God has truly blessed and provided in so many ways this past year. We are also looking forward to what God is going to do this year as we continue to serve Him. Our theme for this year is "By Faith", and as we lead the church to move forward "By Faith" we also will be striving to grow in this area. Hebrews 11:6a "But without faith it is impossible to please Him." We want everything we do in our personal lives or in ministry to please God, and in order to do that it must be done "By Faith".

As many of you are already aware that the Lawyers and Teachers of the English regions are on strike. They believe that the English system of law and education are being marginalized, and changed. So in November and December some took to the street in public peaceful protests, but these protests were turned violent by police and military. We are thankful for God's protection through these times. Things have calmed down and remained peaceful since about mid December. The government still has not responded with solutions to the Lawyers and Teachers who are on strike. So the schools have not resumed and no lawyers are working. We are praying that the President would have wisdom, and that the country would remain peaceful during this time.



Amid these times of tension God is still working. We were able to go out to the village of Mapanja and personally witness to the village chief who is catholic. He did not receive Christ that day, but he agreed to allow us to host a Christmas party at the government school in the village. We prepared Christmas cookies, a small notebook, and pencil for each of the students, and Christmas cookies, and Bible for each of the teachers present. I taught through the Christmas story in Luke 2, and preached the Gospel. The chief attended the party and we talked afterward. He really enjoyed the program and the truth that was presented. I am praying that the Lord will continue to work in his heart, and he will trust Christ alone for salvation.

We really enjoyed our first Christmas in Cameroon! Looking forward to many more years here! Thank you for all the extra gifts and notes that were sent during the month. Each one is a special blessing to us.

Thank You for your prayers and financial support,

The Benson Family