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THE DRAKE ADVENTURE

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Dear Friends,

Thanksgiving is one of our favorite holidays for a lot of reasons, good food, fellowship with Missionaries and decorations for fall. This time of the year looks really different here in Togo because the rain has finished and the dry season begins. Since it's thanksgiving season, It's the time of the year to be thankful, right! But we are thankful every day for so many things around here. We are thankful for you being our supporters for so many years of ministry (some of you for 15 years!!!). We are thankful for our home that God has graciously blessed us with as it is a haven for us everyday after a long day of ministry. We are thankful that our kids love it here, their school, teachers, life and just to be kids. We thank God for the ministry God has called us to here. We could go on for a while but we want to update you on the ministries around here.

Adam's Cousin Lauren and her Husband Jason Tuma



Guests at hope Radio

Since our last prayer letter this summer, we have been very busy with the ministry at Hope Radio. We made a lot of progress on the recordings, outreach and discipleship opportunities at Hope Radio. We still believe God has given us a huge opportunity to share the gospel to those without Christ and to edify the church for those that need discipleship after they come to know the Lord. One of the cool stories we have seen this year is Abel's story. He has been one of the faithful listeners at Hope Radio for a long time. He came to know Christ about 2 years ago and we met him after being one our winners at our Hope Radio game show. He is a single guy, farmer that lives off his land, lives about 5 miles away but since we got back

this term he wanted to start going to church with us. He has grown so much in the Lord and is getting baptized at our church in a few weeks. We are so excited to know we will spend eternity with him. TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

We continue to pray for God to show us ways we can build the body of Christ here. We have brothers and sisters in Christ over for supper, we visit people when they are sick, have had a baby or any other life situation. This time of the year there are a lot of funerals because of malaria and typhoid has been so strong. It is so hard to watch our friends bury loved ones (on the same day as their death), as most of them do not know the Savior. We are so burdened for the town of Mango as there are so many people that are living in bondage and do not want to give up their traditions for the salvation in Christ. Keep praying for Mango!

Pastor Minza and His Wife came for dinner



School started for our boys with 3 new teachers at the MK school (we are so thankful for them). They love their classmates, their recess time and their teachers and they are learning a ton. OC and Celeste are still doing LUOA which has been a challenge for Celeste adapting to online school. The other group that started school was our Mango Christian School-Le Bon Berger. We were praying for more students and for our Middle School to have a good start. We were praying for God to work in the students and their parents lives to bring them to Christ.

Last year we had 186 students and we have a hard time believing that this year we have 276 students! Yikes, we got what we prayed for. Many of the students need financial help to cover the school fees but all together we have such a great group of kids. Faith is teaching English every Monday to the students and has seen great improvement in their behavior since the beginning of the school year. Adam is on the board of trustees and finished



Bon Berger when school lets out

building an extra classroom for the 6th graders to meet in. We are trusting the Lord for Him to do a miraculous work in their hearts. Faith has had some great opportunities sharing the gospel in her dentist chair at the Hospital where she does dental hygiene once a week for employees, military and friends that she sees need a dental cleaning. She has Gospel signs on the ceiling above the chair that her patients look at and she takes the opportunity to share the Good News with every one of her patients. She has had some very

receptive people, some very respectful people and some debates in that clinic room but she has seen it as a great tool to talk about Jesus. One of her patients was André who is a double amputee patient from the Hospital of Hope. He had a bad motorcycle accident about 10 hours away in the capital city but because of the gravity of his injuries, he came up north to our hospital for care and rehabilitation. He came to the dentist for a cleaning, and Faith invited him to go to church with us since he said he missed going to church. He began coming to church with us every Sunday after that. Pray for him as he returned to the capital and is awaiting another amputation. Adam also had the opportunity to inaugurate a new ABWE church in Benin, about 3 hours away, with other missionaries in September and then went to a "AfricabyRadio" conference in Abidjan Cote D'Ivoire with Christian radio stations represented from 32 African Countries!

We are so grateful to be a small part of what God is doing. Thank you for your prayers and support. Since our last prayer, you guys helped us go from needing \$450/month more support to where we are now at \$244 under supported. That is a huge blessing for us and we can't wait to see how God brings in the rest.

Before we go, we'd like to invite you to sponsor a day of broadcast at Hope Radio. It costs us around \$150 per day to be on the air and if you'd like to dedicate a day of airing to someone as a Christmas gift, please go to <https://hoperadiotogo.com/>

Thanks again for your prayers!

In His Service,

Adam, Faith, Oceane, Celeste, August, and Nico



MK School in August's class

Faith In Her Dentist office

