Thus far, the Lord has helped us!

Newsletter

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Baptist Pastors/leaders of the Western Region of Cameroon

Sharing about the ministry of CTCC at a Leadership Seminar of Pastors/leaders of Nkongsamba
Dear Friend,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord Jesus! I hope that your year started all right and that you are doing well.

I am particularly thankful to God for His faithful care and protection. I keep experiencing God's dependable care and protection despite frequent illnesses and insecurity in my country and environment. Thank you for your constant prayers for me and the ministry here in Cameroon. Amidst all the chaos and heartache around us, I pray that we will stand firm and remember that "the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect us from the evil one" (2 Thess. 3:3).

I appeal that you will continue to come alongside me in this journey laid out by God. I do realize that you are a necessary part of His plan for the work of ministry here in Cameroon. So, as you pray and give to support the work here, be confident that you are part of something greater here and that His Kingdom and fame will surely spread in the hearts and homes of families in Cameroon.

Every year I look forward to the doors the Lord will open for possible partnerships. One of my goals for ministry this year is to extend to the Western region, in a place called Nkongsamba (3 hours away from Douala). I visited and shared about the ministry of CTCC with the leaders at their yearly leadership seminar this past Friday, the 6th of March. One of the primary concerns in this area is the overwhelming needs of internally displaced families (because of the ongoing war in the English-speaking regions of Cameroon) who are now living in this area. There are the pressing needs of discipleship of these displaced families and their children. Pray that God will grant wisdom as I pursue partnerships with churches in this region to help with the needs of discipleship.

This August, I will return to the Northern part of Cameroon to continue my training
there with teachers and church leaders. I mentioned this in the newsletter of August 2019. It will be a time to see how the first training has or has not impacted them, what they need, and what are the next steps to take in the coming years.

I will also appreciate your prayers about my ongoing project of curriculum development. I am making progress though it is challenging to think through each topic and write with cultural relevance. With God's help, I hope to have the full rough draft of all lessons and devotionals of the first four sections of the curriculum (mainly OT) done by the end of this year and ready for use in churches next year.

As you pray for me, pray for my continued spiritual maturity. It isn't easy to find spiritual nourishment here in Cameroon. Church on Sunday is anything but a time to be spiritually fed. I often end up teaching the children's Sunday School class and persevering through the church service. My spiritual nourishment comes from my time in the word and listening to sermons online from pastors that I know and that are on a similar page with me theologically. My dream is to find like-minded Cameroonian women here that I can fellowship with and grow together spiritually. Spiritual nourishment and the absence of fellowship with like-minded women have been an ongoing struggle for me since I returned to Cameroon. Please keep me in your prayers that the Lord will provide all that I need to be stable in my pursuit of joy in Christ.
Prayer Requests

As you pray for CTCC, please consider praying for these specific focus areas of ministry this year:

1. Continued progress in curriculum development
2. Ongoing training in the northern region of the country in August
3. Consultation with Bethel Baptist Church here in Douala for the creation of a family discipleship model for their church and two daughter churches.
4. Pray for wisdom in pursuing a partnership with churches in Nkongsamba (Western region).

I am not sufficient for these things, and now more than ever, I do need your sustained prayers and support. May the Lord bless you!

In Christ,

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