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SHEFFLER UPDATE - MARCH 2020

Dear friends and supporters,

I pray that you are coping well with the COVID-19 pandemic. As you know, the virus is affecting all parts of the world. My contacts in western Africa tell me that all schools and all public gatherings in Liberia and Ghana have been banned.

David and Barbara Kalb are in Ghana on a special visit. They were not successful in getting a flight home before the Ghana borders were closed on Sunday. The latest information is that the US government is arranging a special flight for them and other US citizens on Tuesday with the approval of the Ghanaian Authorities. We thank God for that.

In the mean time, the Lord's work must go on but in limited ways. This is a good time to catch up on Bible Study and prayers. Leaders can prepare sermons and Bible study lessons for the future. We know that "All things work together for good for those who love God." Romans 8:28



NIGERIA

Youth Week was celebrated in each church during the week of March 9 through 15. The theme was **WALKING IN VICTORY**. Activities included evangelism, prayer, seminars, visits to encourage and help the sick and needy and maintenance to church property. Many positive testimonies came from the churches. The Calabar church witnessed an overflow crowd on Sunday, the last day of the program.

GHANA



The foundation for the church building at Kintampo has been completed to floor level. The next step is to pour one solid concrete floor over all before going up with the walls. The floor will cover the foundation so that termites cannot come through the walls into the building to destroy doors and other things made of wood. I have seen termites build their mud pathways all the way to the roof and destroy the rafters of a building. About \$6,500 is needed to pour the 40' x 60' floor.

Here you see footers for the pillars that will go from the foundation to the roof.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1. Thank God for the place he is preparing for us. We are strangers and aliens in this world. Someday He will come to take us home.**
- 2. Thank God for those who are risking their health to save others from the virus outbreak.**
- 3. Thank God for the successful Youth Week in Nigeria.**
- 4. Thank God that the foundation is completed at Kintampo, Ghana.**
- 5. Ask God to comfort those who have lost or will lose loved ones during this virus pandemic.**
- 6. Ask God to give our political leaders wisdom as they make decisions and take action to protect us during this pandemic.**
- 7. Ask God to give us wisdom as we witness to others by showing our trust in God during this stressful time.**