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SHEFFLER UPDATE - January 2020

Dear friends and supporters,

GHANA



Kintampo District: A Vacation Bible School that included teenagers was held during the Christmas holidays at the Gulumpe Church. Over 150 participated. During the day there were games, health screening and clean up exercises in the town to show the love of God. At night there were times for Bible study, Bible quiz and prayer. There was a career dress-up night in which

the youth dressed up and performed in a vocation they are interested in. On the last day there was house-to-house evangelism and two women responded.

New church planter Simon and his wife have moved to Portor where they will be close to the people they are serving as they build the new congregation. New church planter Ephraim moved to Anyima to start a church. The Kintampo congregation is starting to grow. Other opportunities are opening up for church planting in the area.

Southern Ghana: Alan Rabe and three other men from Quincy are in Ghana at this time. They return on January 31. They are preaching, teaching and holding seminars for leaders.

NIGERIA



The annual retreat for preachers and their wives was held January 2 - 5. The theme was *Secrets of Successful Living*. Topics included *Finding God's Plan, Perfect Peace, Abiding Joy, What to do When Trouble Comes, Being Concerned for Others, Our Best for the Lord and Life on the Highest Plain.*

During the retreat, the Minister of Mkpani Church asked for help to resolve a problem which the congregation had been unable to overcome. Political issues in the community were making it difficult for some members to attend church services. A delegation of four men from the Calabar Church met with the leaders of the Mkpani congregation. Together they came up with a solution that all could agree upon.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1. Thank God for another year to proclaim his glory to the world.**
- 2. Thank God for preachers and their wives who make sacrifices in order to serve God.**
- 3. Thank God for the successful VBS at Gulumpe**
- 4. Pray for the growth of the new congregations at Kintampo, Portor and Anyima.**
- 5. Pray for the safe travels and successful teaching of the four men from Quincy, IL. who are in Ghana.**
- 6. Pray for funds for the 2020 projects: a pavilion for the new Kintampo congregation and completion of the ground level of the residence and training center in Tamale, Ghana.**
- 7. Pray for spiritual growth of the Christian youth in Africa. They are the future of the Kingdom on that continent.**