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SHEFFLER UPDATE - AUGUST 2021

NIGERIA

Brethren in Christ, *(email from Sunday Obeten dated August 21)*

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to you, family and all the Churches of the saints. **I wish to use this opportunity to really appreciate all of you who stood with me in my moment of trials and pain, and to inform you that with your support, encouragement and prayers, I am by God's grace coming out of it victoriously. I have been discharged from the hospital due to the speedy nature of my recovery and the fact that doctors in all public hospitals in Nigeria are presently embarking on a nation wide strike. Now, I only visit the hospital for check-up and dressing of the wound. I have also been able to make payment for supply of the prosthesis which may likely take about 3 weeks to be delivered to Nigeria. I specifically thank God for His faithfulness towards me and family.**

The **women seminar** was successfully held on the 5th and 6th of August, 2021. All our **Churches are doing well** by the grace of God. Our Church programs are going on as planned in both the national and local calendars of the Church. The youth are also on serious preparations for their **Youth Camp** coming up next week 25th - 28th August, 2021. I bless God for the uncommon grace and strength He granted



me to be able to write the lessons for the Women Seminar and Youth Camp while I was on hospital admission. I am presently **working on the November Annual Conference lessons**.

T. E. E. extension program is going on effectively at the various Churches. The **Faith-Way Global Schools** is still on holidays, but admissions into the various classes are going on.

Thank you once again for your earnest support, prayers and encouragement.

Obeten Sunday

GHANA

A two-day seminar for extension class students was held in four locations that reached about 80% of the students. There are a total of **26 active classes in Ghana**. Ninety students were able to attend. The object was to guide the students to approach their studies for the purpose of serving God. The topics covered were ***Application of A Biblical Vision, Development of Church Planting, Soul Winning and Servant Leadership***.

One workshop dealt with how to develop a godly vision and set goals. After writing their visions and goals the students came to the following conclusions: (1) Your vision is a road map which will keep you on track for the future. (2) **Your vision and you goals enable you to clearly see what God wants to do through you and enables you to achieve His purpose** of saving souls and developing disciples using the Word of God. *(Note: the extension classes are focused on enabling students to understand and then apply the Word of God to their culture, their life and their service to God.)*

One discussion dealt with the difference between passion and compassion. **We must have a passion to serve God and compassion on those we serve.** Servant leadership enables someone to become a disciple of Christ and a church planter.



Please continue to pray for the **construction project in Tamale**. The cost of construction has increased. However, recent estimates of costs tell us that **the first floor can be completed and ready to move in for about \$55,000**. We are currently building a wall around the property to protect it from

encroachment thanks to an unexpected donation of \$7,000. Our goal is to complete the building as quickly as possible to save on rent costs which are also increasing.

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Roujee Morris, the Supervisor for the extension classes, is in early stages of epilepsy. His wife Juliet is managing the extension classes at this time. Covid protocols are still in place, but the classes are doing well.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Thank God that Sunday Obeten is recovering well and the Lord's work is continuing well in Nigeria in the face of many challenges.
2. Thank God that the two-day seminars for extension students in Ghana went well.
3. Thank God that extension classes in Ivory Coast are going well.
4. Ask God to continue blessing the recovery of Sunday Obeten and that all will go well with the prosthesis.
5. Ask God to be with Roujee and Juliet Morris as they keep the extension classes going in Abidjan, Ivory Coast.
6. Ask God to provide funds to finish the construction project in Tamale.
7. Ask God to provide more support for the operating funds of Christian Leadership Training Institute. We had to short their working funds by \$500 for the month of September.