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Au Revoir! See You Later!

One chapter comes to a close; another begins. Perhaps by the time you read this newsletter, we will already be in West Africa. We want to thank you for your prayers for us during this past year. We also want to encourage you to keep praying for us and the people of West Africa all the more. We are entering a time of transition and will no doubt face difficulties and challenges along the way. We need God's protection, comfort, and guidance. Pray that he will see fit to use us for his glory and for the salvation of the lost.

Because Christ is Worthy,

David & Billie



Christ loves her, too.



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As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid *their* hands on them, they sent *them* away. So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed . . . Acts 13:2-4

Praying for Missionaries

Never underestimate the importance of the time you spend in prayer. We are so grateful for any time you spend praying for us. Here are some ideas for your prayer time:

- ◆ Spiritual Growth - pray for our personal walk with God
- ◆ Physical Health - pray that God would protect us from illness
- ◆ Language Learning - pray that we would be able to learn French and the African tribal language
- ◆ Emotional Health - pray that we will not be overcome by homesickness or other discouragements
- ◆ Safety - pray that God would protect us whenever we travel and guard us against injury
- ◆ Doctrinal Understanding - pray that we would grow in our knowledge of how to share the Gospel with Muslims and respond to their questions
- ◆ Marriage - pray that God will build and strengthen our marriage relationship
- ◆ Family in the States - pray for our family and friends in the U.S. who miss us
- ◆ Weather - pray for our ability to adapt to the heat and humidity of Africa
- ◆ Cultural Adjustment - pray we will be able to adapt to different food and social customs
- ◆ Spiritual Empowerment - pray that God will grant us the supernatural ability to share the Gospel boldly and clearly
- ◆ Relations with Nationals - pray that we would be able to form meaningful relationships with Africans
- ◆ Love - pray that God will give us a heart of love for the people
- ◆ Guidance - pray for God's guidance as we seek to minister
- ◆ Workers - pray for God to raise up more missionaries to serve alongside us

Some ideas borrowed from "Missionaries Need 'Real-Life' Prayer" by Marina Menzies in Commission Magazine



Needless to say, we felt very safe during our ride to the airport in the courtesy van on a recent trip



Don't ask how I got the bird to stand on her head!

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