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Dear Beloved in Christ,

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Praise the Lord for His blessings, the prayers of our supporters, and His protection during this pandemic.

BEBEDJIA CHURCH REPAIR

Each year, we experience strong winds here in this area of Chad. The force of the wind lifts corrugated iron roofs, flinging them far away, and even uproots trees. It causes houses to collapse, often resulting in fatalities. This year, our church building suffered damage. Thankfully, a large tree close to our building protected us from the brunt of the wind, though the roofing material of the structure was blown off. We thank God that we were able to repair the roof.



Repairs to the church



DEAF MINISTRY

We have not been able to open the secondary school for this academic year due to a lack of funds. One of our students has gone to Ndjamenas to stay with her relatives in order to attend a secondary school there. Those students who cannot move to another school to receive their secondary education will have to repeat their previous classes. In order to open the secondary school, we need the Lord to provide us with nine or ten teachers.

CAMP JOY

We are praising the Lord for helping us successfully conduct Camp Joy from August 30th through September 4th at the Doba Deaf School. Establishing the date for camp was initially quite a challenge. Teacher strikes, vacations, and exam dates all interfered with our plans; but, the Lord helped us to work around those concerns. In preparation for the camp ministry, counselors were trained for three days prior to the start of camp. This camp was purposefully organized to be inclusive - meaning, youth who are deaf, blind and hearing were all invited.



The chosen theme of "Youth Sins" brought campers from four different towns: Moundou, Bebedjia, Doba, and Sarh. In attendance were 46 Deaf, 19 Hearing, and one boy who had sight problems. For better organization, the campers were divided into small groups with each group having its respective counselor. Those in attendance were very excited by the teaching. I was even asked to go to other locations and teach on this same theme.

Caroline was one of those people who asked me to share the teaching of "Youth Sins" at other locations. Her father was killed when she was quite young, and her mother struggled to raise the family as a result. Caroline was trained at Moundou Deaf School to become a dressmaker and is now helping her mother care for her young brothers. Because of her difficult situation,

Caroline developed hatred toward her father's family for not providing for her family in his absence. But, when she heard the teaching at camp, she realized her own guilt and asked for forgiveness.

David Djerana, Moundou Deaf School Headmaster, also asked me to visit each village and town where there are deaf children to share this same theme with them. I would have to go to them since no one in these areas can afford transportation costs outside of their town or village, let alone a camp admission fee. As you can imagine, the training of counselors and a five-day camp in

other needy areas would allow us to reach deaf children with the gospel who otherwise could not afford to participate. We are both hopeful and prayerful about conducting Camp Joy in eight to ten different villages and towns. Please pray for us, this needful ministry, and the logistics behind organizing each camp and transportation of the campers.

HEALING

I praise the Lord for healing my children while they are studying abroad. Djakoye Rodrigue was sick with COVID in Lome, Togo, and Coulmbaye Gloria suffered a jaw problem in Accra, Ghana. Neloumbaye Tryphose, also in Accra, faced dental issues. The Lord healed them all by His grace and provided the needed funds to cover all expenses.

PRAISES - Please praise the Lord with us for the following:

- Enabling us to repair our church roof
- Progress in the ministry here in Chad, despite the COVID-19 pandemic
- Financial support received from our partners, through IPM, to help cover costs of Camp Joy
- Healing my children from their respective illnesses

PRAYER REQUESTS - Please pray with us for the following:

- Camp Joy to reach other locations
- Wisdom and strength in the ministry here in Chad
- Evangelization efforts in Sarh and our desire to start a new preaching ministry there
- The eradication of COVID-19
- Government and authorities in our country

In Christ,
Nadjiri Tokinon

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