



The Osborns

Missionaries to West Africa



WORLD WIDE NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONS

“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.” - 2 Timothy 2:2

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Dear Partners and Friends,

Psalm 40:2 – “He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.”

I was reminded of this verse the other day when we were walking to church. I saw an elderly woman digging through the mud and pulling out rags and metal. I felt so sad for her. Then as I sat in church thinking about the poor woman, this verse came to mind and I was reminded THAT is exactly what God did for me! He pulled me out of the miry clay of sin and saved me from the pit of hell. He put my feet upon the Solid Rock, Jesus Christ and established my goings for all eternity! Thank you, Lord, for loving me so much! By the way, He'll do the same for you because He loves you that much too.

SEVERAL BLESSINGS:

Souls Saved! - We are getting settled into our home here in Liberia. I have had the opportunity to preach several times in a couple churches. Harvest Baptist Church sponsors a month long vacation school at their school buildings. This is free for anyone who wishes to attend. It is like a summer school with a daily Bible class. Brenda & I have enjoyed

teaching combined classes. (Brenda – 6 & 7; me – 8 & 9). Most of the kids are from the area and do not attend the Christian school during the school year. They average around 350-400 each day in attendance! What a great outreach! I spent the first three sessions discussing creation, the beginning of sin, the result of sin, and how God through His love made a remedy for sin. After a clear presentation; 14 teenagers accepted Christ's payment for their sin and gave their lives to Him! Wow, what a blessing!



The kids just love seeing Brenda each day we arrive! They're glad to see me too, but I had to take the picture!

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Visas - Another great blessing for us is that we have already received our Resident Visas! We now are officially residents of Liberia, can stay as long as we like, and go in and out as often as we wish. We only have to renew it each year. The reason we were able to get them so quickly is because the pastor of the church we started 3 years ago in Tinker Village works at the immigration office. He helped us received gratis status and saved about \$3000 in the process! God is Good!



Receiving our official letter of residency!

Health – It seems everyone around us is getting malaria: friends at the guesthouse, two pastor friends, and our housekeeper. Today, I found out our dear friend, Pastor Dwanyen, has it as well. Sure glad I let Brenda talk me into continuing our malaria pills!

Support – Out of all of our months of deputation and now being on the field, this is the first time we actually received all of our monthly support from every single church! God knew we needed it for our moving expenses and container. Thank you all so much for your faithfulness and sacrifice!

As I write this letter, our container with our vehicle, books for the college, and hymnals for Faith Baptist Church of Tinker Village, just arrived at the port here in Liberia. We are waiting for the government paperwork to be processed. We have applied for and are praying that we can qualify for a “duty free” status (doesn’t mean totally free) and therefore save thousands of dollars in custom fees. Hopefully, it will all be done before you receive this, but we know God answers prayer even before we pray – so please pray!

Please keep our ministry, our health, and our impact on Liberia in prayer!

God’s Best,

Rick & Brenda