

# The Connection Update

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**"The Wodome's News"**  
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Dear Faithful Prayer Partners and Supporters,

In Matthew 25, the Lord Jesus taught His disciples how to live and faithfully watch for His return. In verses 13-30, He instructed them on how to use their time while waiting. I used this passage last Sunday to encourage the church to serve the Lord faithfully. In fact, every believer must answer the question, "How do I use my time while waiting for the Lord's return?"



In the parable of the talents, there are three principles of stewardship that we need to know. First, there is the principle of responsibility. That responsibility comes with the calling to be a believer. The second principle is reliability. The believer has the responsibility to prove that he is reliable and faithful. The third principle is accountability. The believer will be held accountable for how he used his gifts and time in serving the Lord. This is also true in the ministry which God has entrusted to us. As we pray and serve Him, our desire is that He will find us faithful and good stewards for the cause of the Gospel.

My family is doing well. Elisabeth switched teaching roles with her assistant last Sunday and taught the verse. This is in preparation for our going on furlough. Joshua has finished his junior year at PCC and has one more before he graduates. Samuel has started the second half of fourth grade with aBeka Academy.

We had planned to be in the States by now but we only have enough money for one ticket. We need \$2,000 for the rest of the tickets. Please pray with us that the Lord will provide. We have many pictures and stories to share with you but, while we are still in Togo, the ministry continues.

The church at Atiegou is doing well and brother Jacques is sharing the burden of the ministry with me. We have made some improvements to the shelter. We have put gutters up on both sides, along with two layers of bricks that really keep the water out. Attendance has been stable the last two months. The baptismal class continues and we hope to baptize some believers soon. There are 13 in the class.



The school year will end on Friday, July 26. Two of the children took the national elementary study certificate exam and passed. Three others took the secondary school diploma test and two of them succeeded. As for the high school diploma, only one took it for the second time and she is still waiting for the result.

We will begin VBS on Monday, July 29. The theme this year is, "The Christian Soldier". Last Sunday afternoon, we made some banners and a full drawing of a medieval soldier or knight. We are planning to tell the children who come the story of the missionary, William Carey, and how he translated the Bible into many of the languages spoken in

India. Puppet shows will also be a part of the program. We are expecting about 150 kids. Please pray for some souls to be saved. Just as we did last year, VBS will be followed by an evangelistic campaign August 9-10.

Prayer Requests:

1. An additional \$2,000 for plane tickets
2. The Lord's leading in our lives and ministry
3. The elections in July. Pray that there be no incidents during or after them.

Please continue to pray for us as we serve the Lord. Thank you for your prayers and financial support.



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the desires of thine heart" Ps. 37:4

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