

The Connection Update

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"The Wodomes' News"
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Ministry During COVID-19

Dear Faithful Prayer Partners and Financial Supporters,

We trust you all are doing well in this unusual time.

We would like to take this opportunity to give you an update on our ministry during Covid 19 and how we are doing in Togo.

My family is doing well. The confinement and protective measures have been implemented in Togo since March 21st. The capital, Lome, and the other main cities were isolated for two months. There also was a curfew overnight until 6 AM. Now the curfew is over. Joshua also is doing well in Pensacola Christian College and worked from home until reopening in Pensacola.



We thank God for His watching over us and we try to follow the best we can the protective measures to stay healthy but God is our Help, Psalm 46.

Our ministry is affected by **Covid-19**. Since March 21st, churches have been closed by government decree and we are observing that until further notice to reopen. So far, they say 3 months and we are waiting and praying that the pandemic will be over soon and in God's timing. Schools are also closed. Wearing masks, respecting a safety distance of about 1 meter, and washing hands often and before entering any public store or office are mandatory. According to the government, Covid-19 has killed 13 people out of 576 confirmed cases and 384 have recovered.

A week ago, students of all levels who have to pass national exams (6^{iem}, 3^{iem}, 1^{ere} and Terminale) have started school in order to prepare their exams.

Our ministry at this point is more social than a direct evangelism outreach. During the month of April, we have assisted with money and dry food (rice, beans, and corn) the orphans in the church of Kove. As you may have read in our latest news, these precious kids suddenly lost their dad in January through sickness and they are all now at the charge of their mom who was a stay-at-home mom. My wife and I have decided to help the family each month. In the month of May, we sent to our village a sack of corn for the needy children who worship there in our village of Togokome. We have also distributed rice and dried corn outside of the church of Kove. As for the church in Tamany, 2 big sacks of corn were distributed.

As the churches cannot gather together, believers are staying in their homes for family worship and personal worship. Koffi uses WhatsApp to communicate with the believers who attend the churches. Each morning, Monday through Friday, he posts Bible readings in the morning. On Wednesday evening, he posts a devotion from the epistle to the

Colossians and guidelines for prayer. On Sunday morning, Koffi sends a recorded sermon to spiritually feed our church people. Of course, not everybody has an Android phone but those who have it follow pretty well. Sometimes, we call to encourage them.

All the members in our ministry team also are doing well.

We also had the privilege to connect with Salem Baptist Church during a Zoom call by Pastor Kivett. It was so good to see many missionaries and hear live updates from them.

Brothers and sisters, we believe churches will soon be open in Togo as we continue to pray and trust that help will come "from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."(Psalm 121:2).

Beloved in Christ, as we watch and listen to the world news, we realize that America is going through difficult times. We would like to let you know that we remember you in our prayers.

Praise the Lord for His watchcare over us.

Praise the Lord for our new car and thank you for praying and giving to make the project a reality.

Please pray for God's protection for all of us.

Please pray for the Lord's guidance in our life and ministry.

Please pray for a lady who is having pregnancy complications in the church of Kove.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support.

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"Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee
the desires of thine heart" Ps. 37:4

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