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SHEFFLER UPDATE - JANUARY 2023

HAVE A BLESSED NEW YEAR

We thank God for our faithful supporters and partners in the Lord's work. Your prayer support and your financial support have been strong and courageous. You have enabled the work in western Africa to progress. We are recovering from the Covid 19 challenges. We pray that your 2023 year will be a blessing. We pray that inflation and its many effects on the economy will not hinder the Lord's work in 2023. We remember that it is the Lord's work and He will provide when we do our part.

We give special thanks for those who gave year-end donations. Those donations enabled us to meet year-end needs such as paying rent for two years in Tamale and providing funds for construction projects. The retirement house for Kingsley Laryea is started with the foundation finished. Funds have been sent to put the roof on the church building at Kintampo. More church planters will be trained. Some of these year-end donations have to be used for monthly operating expenses for the church planters and the extension training classes. We still need more regularly monthly supporters for the work. This is a matter of prayer and work for 2023 – Matthew 7:7-8.

NIGERIA: end of year thanksgiving and plans for the New Year

Brother Sunday Obeten on behalf of Faith-Way Global Outreach gives thanks for the moral, spiritual, and financial encouragement of its supporters. May God grant all of you more grace, more strength, and more opportunities to enlarge God's Kingdom in 2023.

Brother Sunday encouraged the workers with a special end-of-year meal and encouraging words. He sent a bag of rice to each district for a “thank you” get-together for the workers. He encouraged them for the coming year with admonitions on “4 Characteristics of Great Leaders”: a Compelling Purpose; a Clear Perception; Continuous Prayers; and Courageous Persistence.

The College students used their Christmas break to survey the villages of Aneningaji and Oban near the border between Nigeria and Cameroon. **The Lord willing, evangelistic outreach will take place in those villages in 2023.**

CONGRATULATIONS!



Brother Emmanuel Boafo gives God the glory for enabling him to sit up throughout many nights so he could complete his work for a Masters Degree in counseling. Graduation took place on December 10. In the photo to the left is his wife and two children. His wife is a school teacher and has been a major help to him in this effort.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUEST:

1. Thank God for the blessings of 2022.
2. Thank God for the year-end donations that enable the Lord's work to continue.
3. Thank God for the regular supporters who are committed to the work in western Africa.
4. Thank God for the graduation of Emmanuel Boafo.
5. Thank God for the faithful workers in western Africa
6. Ask God to give us (both the supporters and the workers) grace, strength and courage to meet the challenges and fulfill the opportunities of 2023.
7. Ask God to give the mission more montlly supporters for the work.