

BASSE NEWS

Update from Macklann and Rose Basse

SPECIAL THANKS

We thank the New City Fellowship church, both sites, our dear pastors and elders in St. Louis.

Thanks to Tates Creek Presbyterian Church in Lexington, KY.

Thanks to Astoria Church in New York City.

Special thanks to the Elliott family for all they are to us.

Thanks to our many friends.

Thanks to the Freedom School.

We thank the James family in Athens, GA and the 2 supporting churches there.

A Blessed and Relaxed Visit

1 Cor 15:10 "by the grace of God we are what we are (we do what we know He said to do, and all credit, glory and honor go to him who has called us in this), His grace towards us is not vain."

Dear brothers and sisters,
we work as we have seen you working, loving, caring, teaching and providing for others, for the neighbor. And we believe God is pleased in that. And yes, we love because He first loved us and we are family in Him alone. We want to thank the churches and each one of you as friend, family and supporter of what we do in Togo our country.

We were in the US for 5 weeks and the Lord has done great things during our stay. It has been time to rest, get resourced, reconnect, meet new friends, and give reports of what is being done in Togo through AMN ministries. We have done some travels and due to the winter weather could not travel to some places. But in all we praise the one who plans and controls our lives and work.

Everywhere we have been, we shared about the many things God has put in our heart, and what we are doing as missionaries.



We thank and praise our Father for this visit and believe He has done His will in us and with us. We going home with the confidence and hope that He has done beyond our expectations in all that was planned, either in America or in Togo.



School News

Since the beginning in September 2010 with a preschool in a rented facility (where our Basse family also lived), the **New Beginnings School**



has grown! The school counts 191 kids from 18 months to 11 years. We opened the middle school this year with our students who graduated from the 5th grade. New Beginnings is a Christian and bilingual school in inner city and suburb. We register Christian, non-Christian and Muslim kids which is the mission part of the school. Many of the neighborhood

kids attend the school and so we have a good relationship with those

families. The school tries to have an holistic approach of education:

Body: breakfast and lunch for the children

Mind: knowledge

Soul: the words and prayers and mothers prayer group to accompany children n their growth and learning. We hold a weekly small group prayer and monthly larger group prayer.

School Prayer Needs

Building:

Not sure what to do! The owners of our facilities want to sell the building and right now the school has no guarantee if we do not have money at the time it goes on the market. The owners say we will have the first option to buy, however we need

sufficient funds for a down payment and a scheduled payment plan. We are talking with the owner and will let you know as we can. Land and buildings are expensive in Lome.

Salaries for teachers: Actually a teacher earns a living wage of \$80-

\$90 a month but some months we do not get that. We need to be able to pay teachers to keep them after equipping them, and if we don't pay regularly they may opt to leave. It is a need of \$1,500 -2,000 because of irregularities in recent months.

Church Plant in Lome Growing



We shared about our church plant that started 2 years ago at our house with just us and our children. As of today we have 40-45 adults attending and regular attendance of 75-90 children. Our church focuses on preaching the truth of the gospel, worship and we are mission minded, ministering to the widow, the orphan and the poor in our neighborhood.

Travel Mercies New Every Morning



During our stay, we were able to visit families and friends and we are grateful for that.

We thank Him for keeping our family safe and the ministry going on while we were away.

We thank Him for the safety in all our travels, for His constant provision through His loving and caring people.

We can not thank Him enough, He has done a lot.



In addition to the AMN Institute,



which trains missionaries to be sent to our villages and cities, we started working in October with Third Millennium Ministries. Graduates who are seeking to know more about God and his Word, can continue their studies and be able to serve Him effectively.

AMN also believe that if our communities have couples who are strong in faith, love and fear of the Lord, our communities will be healthier, children will be raised up in love and the fear of God. So we are working on continuing couples ministry. It is not easy to arrange with everyone's busy schedules.

There is a lot of counseling and pastoral meeting that Macklann does every day on top of preaching and leading the whole departments of AMN.

We believe in His grace that you have been encouraged to hear our news and know that your prayers, financial support and visits are surely not in vain, that the Lord is touching and transforming lot of lives, children and adults and the environment for His kingdom.

You are who He says you are to Him and to us. Merci and hope we see you again soon if Jesus delays His return.

Once again, a BIG THANK YOU to you all.

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