

Prayer points for the Nigeria ACU (Africa Christian University) Project:

This month's prayer letter marks an important milestone in the ACU project with the opening of Providence Academy. For years we have seen signs of God planting seeds; now we have witnessed an initial sprouting of a key seedling, specifically Christian higher education in Imala! The opening ceremony was held on October 19; Denise and I were joined by the community, staff and volunteers, Board members (see bottom left), supporters and government officials (See ribbon cutting below). Dr Robert Brown, Star University President, was able to attend. It was a great day of celebration! It has been amazing to watch the team God has blessed us with get us to this point. Although still a work in progress, classes have begun!



PRAISE ITEMS:

- ACU foundational activities:
 - Opening ceremony and kickoff of Providence Academy
- Planned community – 25k-acre Imala Project / Ext Sites:
 - Cassava planting and harvesting. New goat arrival.
- Other Praise Items:
 - New additions to our amazing project team, faithful prayer warriors, and incredible partners.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Establish Africa Christian University (ACU consortium, Providence Academy, partner institution programs)
 - Successful Farmer and Media certificate programs, programs certified by STAR;
 - Funding for several projects (additional dormitory / housing, offices / classrooms), grants pending (see list on page 2)
- Develop planned community (securing the land, establishing the commercial foundation and initial city development)
 - Additional family signoffs. Securing airstrip land. Government permitting (registration and or CoOs).
 - Continued farm progress (land clearing and cassava planting prep; goat farm expansion) – Government grants / loans.
 - Peaceful interactions with the Fulani cattlemen. Peaceful possession of land in Mowe (prior site) - Jordan Estates plot sales.
- Imala community, Project Organizations and Other Items:
 - God's funding through kingdom-minded partners – fully facilitating pursuit of 2020 plan.
 - Success of facilitating businesses, protection from the evil one.
 - For expanding team (leaders, staff, volunteers). For wisdom & spiritual protection – that we serve & represent Christ well.

We are thankful for those joining us in prayer; we recognize, pursuant Ephesians 6:12, we are in a spiritual battle that can only be won through prayer! We ask especially that you pray for us on the 20th of each month, in recognition of the ACU project 2020 Master's Plans. Please particularly note underlined priority prayer points and praises.

Thanks for your prayers,

James Rose (CDF President, ACU Project Leader)

ADDENDUM

Key Financial needs:

- Providence Academy: Building finishings: \$10k. Utilities: \$10k. Additional furnishings: \$5k. Scholarships: \$1k x 4 students.
- Capital Projects: Dormitory: \$75k. Missionary Housing (2 families): \$130k. Clinic / Training Facility: \$250k

ACU background and 2020 Master's Plan:

- ACU Vision and values statement were first developed in 2000 (documents and list of signatories can be found on the CDF website at <http://cdfafrica.org>). If interested in making a contribution or investing, please email us.
- 2020 STRATEGIES and Master's Plan, a phased approach (approved in 2014/15).
 - By 2020, begin building ACU within a planned community, one that attracts quality educators.
 - "Oxford Model" (group of semi-autonomous orgs) -- inter-denominational, shared facilities (e.g., auditorium)
 - Property secured and maintained leveraging large-scale agricultural project
 - Offer existing eLearning programs through church hubs.
 - Establish ACU mentoring program such that students "stand for a life-time".

See January prayer letter for the prayer requests for 2019.