

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

Thank you for your prayers for Denise and I while we are in Nigeria. When I first arrived I wrote down that we needed a community transformation strategy. What I did not realize is God already had a plan and He was preparing to reveal it. It was revealed when Dr Ezeokoli and I met with the Kabiyesi (king). Kabiyesi told us of the Mount of Transformation, a hill where people have been coming for prayer and worship. Amazingly it is in the middle of our activities, the town on one side, the hospital site on another, and farms and the lake on the other sides (see photos for view and Dr Ezeokoli and I on mount with 3 from Imala). At our meeting we agreed to have prayer vigils throughout 2019, leading up to a crusade for Imala next February. Please pray for transformation; God will heal the land when His people humble themselves and turn to him (II Chron 7:14). Another exciting development is all the recent land gifts; more than 1000 acres have been given. Almost 200 acres have been given at the base of the mount of transformation!

### PRAISE ITEMS:

- ACU foundational activities:
  - Construction of training center ongoing, walls coming up (see photo)
- Planned community – 25k-acre Imala Project / Ext Sites:
  - Over 1000 acres of land gifted in past two months!
    - Includes gift of land at the base of the “Mount of Transformation” (top photo is view; lower is five of us on mount)
  - Roof on garri plant completed (see photo)
- Other Praise Items:
  - Encouraging February 11 prayer session with Dr Mawire, Dr Solofa, Dr Brown and others.
  - An amazing team, faithful prayer warriors, and incredible partners.



### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Establish Africa Christian University (ACU consortium, Providence Academy, partner institution programs)
  - Ongoing development of Farmer and Media certificate programs, programs certified by STAR
  - Completion of initial Providence Academy training farm (pigs and chickens).
  - Funding for Providence Academy training center and dormitory (additional \$150,000, 50% from Nigeria).
- Develop planned community (securing the land, establishing the commercial foundation and initial development)
  - Final commitment of Hotel investor – payment of commitment fee deposit.
  - Continued farm progress (land clearing and cassava planting prep; goat farm expansion).
  - Additional family sign-offs. Securing airstrip land. Government permitting (registration and or CoOs).
  - 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:
  - James' last four weeks in Nigeria (one more week for Denise).
  - God's funding through kingdom-minded partners – fully facilitating pursuit of 2020 plan.
  - 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

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 the December prayer letter for an overview of the project and the January prayer letter for the prayer requests for 2019.