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

I want to thank those that responded to the call last month to pray for the church in Nigeria, as they face so many challenges: 1) over 80 million living in poverty, 2) terrorism that has murdered thousands of Christians, and 3) rampant corruption. This month please add prayers for peace as the youth and others protest police brutality; (https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/oct/17/nigerias-anti-police-brutality-protests-bring-lagos-to-standstill). pray that the government leaders respond wisely.

Despite the continuing challenges, it is an amazing time for the project. God has answered our prayers for connections! A farming company has committed to start a large rice farm and rice mill in Imala. This company, and a second, have indicated willingness to join our efforts to uplift the community, as well as participate in our steppingstone projects. We are thankful to God that the rice project has stirred families to give land. In less than two months, the project has received gifts of land approaching 5000 acres. We have also made progress securing steppingstone land. Please pray that negotiations for a few remaining critical areas can be successfully concluded in the coming weeks.

We are also thankful God has connected us with Schools for Africa. Schools for Africa is a ministry that focuses on rural schools, specifically focusing on Fulani Herdsman (an ethnic group that consist many Jesus would identify as the “least of these”). Initial discussions indicate the Fulani are extremely interested in the school; this is an answer to prayer as they sometimes they are not willing to give up the nomadic life. God appears to be moving.

We are thankful that the Imala region has received tentative approval for joining the federal Family Home Program. This program will facilitate home ownership for lower income families. Please pray as we begin preparing the next steps, specifically, that we can find a way to build homes at the government approved pricing and that we can identify sufficient prospective homeowners that meet the government requirements.

We have been stepping out in faith in several areas in a time when support is down. As such, this month we are starting the Nehemiah campaign. We need partners willing to help, willing to give their loaves and fishes, so God can multiply. Is God calling you to play a small part? Nehemiah organized God’s people to build different parts of the wall around Jerusalem. The Nehemiah campaign is designed so all can help; each contribution, no matter how small, provides seed funds to do a variety of things including expanding ongoing community programs, development of curriculum and funding for staff training. For those interested, gifts of $3000 a year or more will be recorded on a Remembrance Wall, recorded, like the families that helped Nehemiah.

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God willing, I am leaving for Nigeria on November 3 for three weeks. I have many things to accomplish, many people to meet with. Please pray for travelling mercies, for protection, for success -- that all I do will be God honoring!

Please know we are thankful for those joining us in prayer; pursuant Ephesians 6:12, we are in a spiritual battle that can only be won through prayer! We ask especially that you pray, for those that can, on the 20th of each month.

Thanks for your support,

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