## Praise and Prayer points for the Nigeria Christian University Project (Imala, Ogun State) and CDF

This month we are kicking off our 24 hours of prayer, March 20-21. I would like to thank everyone that has already signed up for one of the 24 slots; we have at least one person, or prayer group, signed up for each hour! Several people have organized groups in their area, some meeting face to face for prayer, some online. More information on participating can be found at <a href="https://trello.com/b/aHJwGNpS/24x7-prayer-challenge-1">https://trello.com/b/aHJwGNpS/24x7-prayer-challenge-1</a>. The site includes information on starting a group and a guide for leading a group. Our Trello prayer challenge page also provides guides for your personal prayer time or for leading a group in prayer; it includes the following:

Praise items. Various prayer request lists including: a) Nigeria and the Nigerian Church, b) CDFs key activities and projects, one for Nigeria, one for CDF at Sold Rock, c) Leaders, Staff and Volunteers and various special prayer requests, and lastly d) this prayer letter. There is also information on how to pray effectively (see a note from me, listing two books I highly recommend).

It is not too late to join in. Pick a time and start praying. Encourage others by signing up on our prayer challenge signup site: <a href="https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/a63d0c">https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/a63d0c</a>.

As I hope you can tell, I believe prayer, and specifically your prayer support, is extremely important!

- According to Timothy K. Beougher of the Billy Graham center, Billy Graham repeatedly said "There are three secrets to my ministry. The first is prayer; the second is prayer; and the third is prayer."
- I believe Billy Graham provides a good example. The bible instructs us to pray, specifically for protection. Jesus instructs us in the Lord's prayer to pray for God's protection from the evil one (Matt 6:13). There are many other biblical references on praying for protection. The project needs this protection more and more as the ministry expands; as His work expands, the evil one is doing all he can to make it difficult, to devour, to distract. Prayer helps us to resist the evil one, causing him to flee! (James 4:7).

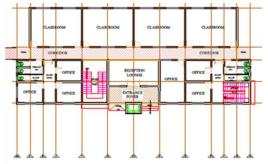
## Key Prayer Items (see Trello for additional prayer and thanksgiving items):

- We continue to thank God for restoring the king's health.
- We pray for the people of Nigeria during very challenging times (including fuel and currency shortages).
- We are praying for an increase in key leaders and giving this year, to fuel an acceleration:
  - that God will bless us with five additional experienced leaders: someone to lead our medical program (nurse practitioner or doctor), experienced university administrators in the areas of education, distance learning, vocational training, and agriculture.
  - At Imala, we hope to start the first of three multipurpose buildings, where we will start university classes (see drawing on right; we have raised \$75k of \$200k). We plan to build two additional duplexes (\$100k), we have raised \$25k to date (picture below).



**Additional Imala Housing (Missionary, Student)** 

At Solid Rock,
 Tx, we are making
 good progress
 raising \$30,000 for
 the completion of
 the first 24/7 prayer
 rooms at the Prayer
 and Missions Center
 (See picture on the
 right.)



Providence Center – Multipurpose Building 1

GROUND FLOOR PLAN



**Prayer and Mission Center CDF@Solid Rock** 

Thank you for joining us in prayer, for standing with us!

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