

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

Typically, this prayer letter provides an update on various project activities. However, this letter differs in that it provides information on project “seed activities”. The letter also provides an inspirational example of renowned Christian leaders committed to Christian discipleship principles. It concludes with the current prayer focus.

**Seed Activities:** Project seed activities are designed to facilitate the establishment of Providence International University within a planned city. Seed activities include the early buildings needed for the early phases of the project, (infrastructure and housing to accommodate staff and students), program development and initial training programs at Providence Vocational Academy and the Certificate in Education Program. These initial training programs are university preparation programs and are designed to be feeder programs into the university programs and help ensure students are adequately prepared for university. The programs also allow us to hire instructors that we expect to become part of the initial university staff and who are currently helping with program development. Shown below are facilities that are expected to be part of the university agricultural program [greenhouse programs, laboratory facilities, and agriculture processing programs (facility recently registered with the FDA)].



Inspirational example of Christian leaders committed to Christian discipleship principles. Recently I have been inspired by the story of the “fellowship of the burning heart”, a group of dedicated disciples of Christ organized by Dr Henrietta Mears in circa 1947. Group members made a pledge to God to pursue four foundational Christian principles, pledges including maintaining a daily devotional life, holy living and to making disciples. Bill Muehlenberg indicates many in the group included “Bill Bright, who established Campus Crusade for Christ; Richard C. Halverson, renowned US Senate Chaplain; J. Edwin Orr, historian of revival; and world-renowned evangelist, Billy Graham”. A paramount objective of the University is to have a highly effective spiritual formation program where graduates commit to Christian discipleship principles and are equipped to “stand firm” for a lifetime (Eph 1:4, Phil 4:1, etc). We look forward to the day when graduates, similar to those mentioned above, become renowned for their part in God’s plan for transforming Nigeria and Africa.

### Key Prayer Items:

- **Funding Partners:** Please continue praying for our funding partners: that God blesses them so they can bless others through the project, and He restores the fortunes of those financially challenged. Pray that God provides funding for 1) land possession work, 2) seed projects (additional housing, the Learning Center), 3) the Medical Missions program (equipping clinic), and 4) our Prayer Centers.
- **On-Going Activities:** 1) James’s trip. 2) new board foundational interactions, 3) resolution of land issues
- **Team:** Staff & volunteers. New Partnerships. Leadership. Family members.

We encourage everyone to consider joining us in the monthly 24-hour prayer chain. You can sign-up on the prayer challenge signup site and receive a reminder: <https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/a63d0c>. Find prayer guides at: <https://trello.com/b/aHJwGNpS/24x7-prayer-challenge-1>. The site includes praise items and various prayer requests.

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

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