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

Thank you for your prayers. Prayers are so important; Billy Graham is quoted as saying the three most important things are: prayer, prayer, and prayer. This month our prayer letter continues our series on one of our missionary staff as well as provides prayer points.

**Nigerian Missionary Staff – Dr Micheal Animashaun:** Micheal initially came to CDF as part of our WATS scholar program in June 2015. He moved to Imala (June 2017) after his first degree, a BA in Theology and Religious Studies. Micheal married his wife Racheal in September 2018, and they have two children. Micheal has been in various positions, mainly supporting the Academy and the University projects, both as an instructor and in administrative roles. He continues to pursue his education, and now holds a masters in biblical studies and a doctor of ministry. He is currently spending most of his time helping WATS Seminary pending startup of the PIU campus.



## Key Updates:

- Land Fee Negotiations: Negotiations continue for multiple tracts. Keep praying as one of the fees we thought was settled has been increased. Pray as we seek direction on how to work to influence Ogun state.
- Seed Funding Campaign PIU organization: Join us in thanking God that we have started receiving commitments, enough to allow us to pursue two staff members. Pray as we seek God's direction regarding our initial staffing; it will likely include some part-time help. For those still planning to submit a seed funding commitment form, I am attaching the commitment page again this month (please send the form to CDF@CDFAfrica.org). Please note that no gift is too small, in fact the Bible has several examples where God dramatically multiplied the impact of a very small amount (Elijah and the widow's oil; the poor boy's lunch Jesus used to feed the 5000).
- <u>James' parents</u>: Please continue praying as we help my parents rebuild after the fire. We hope to have them in their replacement home by the end of April. Pray for the leadership in Nigeria as my return will be delayed; pray they continue doing a great job filling-in.

## Key Prayer Requests

- Award of Certificate of Occupancies for the first set of Imala tracts (6800 acres) at affordable fees.
- God's provision of funding commitments for:
  - Hiring six initial PIU staff members (requires \$4000/month and \$50,000 for housing)
  - \$1000 a month for least of these ministries. \$280,000 for our capital campaign.
  - the first wing of the multi-purpose center, home of the PIU development organization (\$150k).
  - Certificate of Occupancy and land possession cost
- Breakthrough with at least one of our potential mega donors
- For our staff, volunteers and board members and their families
- For unity, that the world sees Christ (John 17:23), and for protection (Matt 6:13).

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

Dames D. Kos

CDF Website: <u>http://cdfafrica.org</u> Video: <u>https://youtu.be/f30iT3LDwXs.</u>

James Rose (CDF President, PIU Vice Chairman, Project Lead)

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## CDF Seed-Fund Commitment Form Imala Project

CDF is asking our partners to prayerfully consider making a commitment to join our seed fund campaign. We are praying for 100 partners (individuals, groups or churches) that will commit to making periodic gifts over the next two years and/or a one-time contribution towards our seed fund capital campaign. This is an exciting time for the project; is God calling you to help with the seed funds?

Please pray, and let us know how you are led (by ticking all that apply)

\_\_\_ I will pray for this campaign – that God will provide.

\_\_\_ I commit to make a regular contribution of

- Monthly \_\_\_\_\_, or
- Quarterly \_\_\_\_\_, or
- Annually \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I commit to making a one-time donation:

- For your seed programs: \_\_\_\_\_, and / or
- For your seed capital campaign:

\_\_\_\_Please contact me as I would like additional information regarding:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email / Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ /\_\_\_\_

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