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

I want to thank everyone that has been praying for my parents. I am pleased to report that they have now moved into a replacement home. They are now sufficiently settled that I will be able to make a delayed trip to Nigeria next month. This month our prayer letter continues our series on one of our missionary staff.

Nigerian Missionary Staff – Rex Onyemaechi (see photos below): Rex initially came to CDF in January 2017 as part of our WATS seminary scholar program. He moved to Imala in June 2019 to complete his internship. Rex formally joined CDF in December 2019 and has held various positions. He played a key role in helping establish our National Certification in Education (NCE) program, which he now coordinates and is one of the primary lecturers. Rex is seen below teaching one of our NCE classes. The NCE program is a key steppingstone toward establishing Providence International University’s College of Education. Rex is an ordained Anglican minister and leads our spiritual formation program at Providence Vocational Academy as Academy Chaplin. He also supports our facilities team, most notably becoming one of our solar energy system experts.

Key Updates:

- **Seed Funding Campaign Report:** We thank God for His initial provision; we thank Him for each of you that have made a commitment. To date we have received commitments for provision of $1600 / monthly and $21,000 for the capital campaign, about 20% of our goal. This gives us enough funding confidence to allow us start building the PIU organization, initially a team of mostly part-time staff. Please pray for wisdom as we identify team members. Also pray for the campaign, and specifically for implementation of a matching gift program for Naira gifts.

- **Land Fee Negotiations:** Negotiations continue for multiple tracts. Pray as we seek direction on how to continue efforts to influence Ogun state; that God give us favor with Ogun officials.

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:
  - Funding six initial PIU staff members ($4000/month and $50,000 for housing)
  - $1000 a month for our least-of-these ministries.
  - $280,000 for our capital campaign, providing funds for:
    - First wing of the multi-purpose center, home of the PIU development organization.
    - Certificate of Occupancy and land possession cost.
  - Breakthrough with at least one mega donor
- A productive God-directed trip to Nigeria for Denise and me.
- For our staff, volunteers and board members and their families
  - For unity within the project; that the world sees Christ (John 17:23); for protection (Matt 6:13).

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

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Video: [https://youtu.be/f3OiT3LDwXs](https://youtu.be/f3OiT3LDwXs)

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