

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

Denise and I are back from our extended time in Nigeria. The April and May letters reported on several important events and milestones, including the groundbreaking of our first university building and Kabiyesi's celebration of 20 years on the throne. This month I discuss some important new connections and resulting progress and reflect on some spiritual aspects of the project and how we are victorious despite the storms.

Blessed with new connections -- helping us make progress:

During the groundbreaking and celebrations mentioned above, we were privileged to make many new connections. The photo on the right shows three community connections, including the one in the center (Engineer Odediran) being a director at the National University Commission (NUC). Through this connection we were introduced to the appropriate NUC leadership; they assured us they would work with Engineer to help us make progress such that their 12 month "pause" would not delay the registration of the university.

We were also introduced to Dr Sunday, an expert with experience in establishing a Faculty of Education. Dr Sunday is committed to working with us, specifically with Dr Tade and staff.



Victorious Service

A key theme for our trip was reminding our staff of the spiritual battle that comes with serving in Kingdom Work. I encouraged each of them to have 12 friends praying for them and their role in the project. We also continue our monthly prayer gatherings on the 20th (see photo showing Denise praying with one of the Imala groups). We encourage staff to be intentional in developing three-fold cord bonds with at least three pentors (peer-mentors), friends that help us through the storms.

I thank God for Denise, one of my Ecclesiastes three fold-cords! We were able to build on our bond during our time in Nigeria and during our trip to Spain (our first vacation in 5 years, and then spending time with our grand daughter, Grace, and missionary friend of over 40 years, Jack.



Prayer Requests for May

- God's provision for completing construction and furnishing of the first building (additional funding need: \$100k).
- God's direction in planning the education faculty and the African Learning Center programs and board. We thank God for answering last month's prayer: receiving "positive feedback" at our NUC meeting.
- Direction and protection for all our staff, volunteers and board members and their families.

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

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