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to Heart
Talks*

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Dear Praying Friends,

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Margie and I arrived in the U.S. on April 26 for a short furlough. Our home church received us very well with a rental car and lodging in a faithful member's home. So far, we have reported to eight churches and have four more to see in the next month before we return to Ivory Coast on July 18.

Thank you for praying for me (Bob) to have some new hearing aids to replace the ones that no longer work. The Lord led us to a Christian company in our town and with the new devices I now can hear much better. I tell Margie they are a gift to her, though I am the one who wears them. They will be a big help in the ministry.

Pastor Jean-Luc continues to oversee the church plants in Don-koi (pronounced doan-kwah), Irfa, Abbey, and Akongo-koi villages. He has help from nine Bible institute students who take classes each week. On May 6th, he led an activity where young adults or older teens were each paired with a younger person to disciple them, to be like a big brother or sister, get to know them, and help them in their spiritual and social lives. On May 17-18, Jean-Luc held the funeral of Suzanne in the Irfa church and has been helping take care of the four children she left behind. Six believers from three of the village churches were baptized on May 19, one of whom is a man who converted to Christ from Islam and has been attending the Abbey church for several months. He also arranged a ladies' meeting around Mother's Day, which was attended by the ladies of the three village churches. Please pray for these new believers and for Jean-Luc and the institute students as they tend to these churches so that the Lord would use them to lead souls to Christ.

The churches celebrated the engagement of Regis and Ange, two of the Bible institute students. According to local traditions, Regis brought gifts to Ange's parents and asked for her hand. This was the tribal "wedding," but they will soon have a legal wedding with a government official who will read the country's laws of marriage, and then they will have a Christian ceremony with vows at the church. Please pray for this couple to walk with God and be a blessing to many.

Thank you for praying for Margie's health. She is doing much better with the new medicine for her heart. We appreciate your help as we look to continue the course the Lord has set for us.

In Christ,

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