

The Shumakers

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Dear Pastor and praying friends,

Every time that I sit down to write a prayer letter I begin to reflect upon what God has done in the past few months and the thought always comes to my mind, "God is good." What an absolute honor it is to serve God as a missionary and a servant of God.

I wanted to give you an update on Bro. Nébié Bernard. He is the young man that started two new works at the end of last year. His ordination was originally planned for March, but because of Covid-19, we had to postpone it. We were able to travel in May two hours away to Koudougou (third largest town in Burkina Faso) to participate in Nébié's ordination. I had mentioned that he had a need for a moto in another prayer letter. Praise the Lord, God provided for that need, and we were able to surprise him with it after we prayed for him, his family and the ministry. He was shocked and thrilled.

We are working on trying to get him set up to move out to live in the village where he has started one of the works. One of the biggest needs was that there was no clean water. The people go to water holes and drink the nasty water. The animals use these same water holes. Even though there are those that live many years in spite of drinking this filth, many others fall sick and there are those who die due to it. God provided the means for us to have a well drilling team to drill for water. Praise the Lord they hit good water a few weeks back. This not only will allow Bro. Nébié and his family to move out there, but it will also give a tremendous testimony in the village because of God's people giving to the rest of the village.

The last piece of the puzzle to get Bro. Nébié and his family to the land is to help to build a two room house. Nothing fancy but it will allow him to move out there. The members are already collecting all the rock and sand necessary to help build their pastor a house. It will cost us around \$2,000 to build the house. Since we had two givers give on the well, there was actually a surplus of \$2,000. We asked if it was possible to use the \$2,000 extra for the house. God provided once again.

God isn't good because He provides; He provides because He is good.

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