The Shumakers

Dear Pastor and praying friends,

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P.O. Box 519 Braselton, GA 30517 (706) 654-2818 www.mwbm.org Although we are not in Burkina Faso right now, we get reports each week of people being saved, believers growing in their faith, new Bible studies that will one day (Lord Willing) be churches, and more. The church that I currently lead in Burkina Faso is doing great. I pulled a young man named Daniel over to be my assistant pastor. He is doing a tremendous job in our absence. He wrote me a few weeks back and sent me a picture (the one I have inserted). He said that Marie (yellow shirt) brought some of her friends to church during friend month. Two of the friends that she brought are twin sisters. They have stayed faithful to church since that friend day. Two weeks ago, the one in the white raised her hand expressing her need to repent and trust in Christ. She told Daniel that she had been bothered for the whole week. She wanted to raise her hand when he asked who wanted to be saved the Sunday before, but she was scared and felt convicted ever since. After Daniel talked with her, she bowed her head and got saved.

Then, the next week her twin sister (the one in the light blue shirt) raised her hand during the invitation at the end of the service. Daniel began talking with her and realized that she didn't understand salvation at all. He told me he took her from the stories of Adam to the cross. That took about one and a half hours. She ended up bowing her head and trusting Christ as her Savior.

I got to thinking about these twin sisters coming to Christ. Churches have partnered with us to allow us to serve in Burkina Faso. My family started the church at Zagtouli. Another missionary invited Marie to the church. My wife led Marie to the Lord. My daughter Emily discipled her. Marie invited her friends to the church. Pastor Daniel preached, and the twin sisters got saved. Who is responsible for these two salvations? Some plant, and some water, but God giveth the increase. You take anybody out of the equation, and those twins don't get saved. Those of you who partner with us (pray for us and/or financially support us) are vital in the salvation of these two young ladies and so many others.

Terrorism continues to grow in the country and has become a threat to some of the village works. We

know God is in control and can work out everything for His glory. We ask you to pray for strength and wisdom for believers all over the country and for more souls to be reached.

In a few weeks, I plan to fly back with my pastor for our annual youth camp. The pastors in Burkina are already planning and preparing, and we are excited about all that God is going to do.

We truly appreciate your prayers and faithful support. Thanks to the many that have given to help with ongoing building projects. We have been able to help build some church buildings, advance BaseCamp, and so much more.

Thanks so much for all you do for us and Burkina Faso,

Keith, Rebecca, Emily, Meredith, Isaac and Caleb Shumaker



