



# ANDERSON REPORT



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The missionary path is always full of twists and turns, replete with unexpected blessings as well as constant obstacles. As Evan Burns said in an article to missionaries about suffering, “God loves his servants so much that He allows them to suffer, so that His grace will sustain them in order to make His glory known.” Below are some highlights of the blessings and obstacles of our journey in the past three months.

## ***Providential Protection and Provision***

Life on the road is unpredictable, and we thank the Lord for thousands of miles logged safely in 13 states. We are constantly encouraged by Christian believers who have provided meals, warmly opened their homes, offered a week-long hotel stay so that Debbie could attend a needed mission conference, and sacrificed financially and prayerfully to further the kingdom of God in West Africa. Some partners have been very innovative in the ways they raised money. A Sunday School class brings quarters weekly. A pastor and wife raised funds in competition to throw away or keep an ugly sweater (*it's a keeper!*). Other times, the Lord moved the hearts of total strangers, even unbelievers to help us return.

One late night, the alternator of our 1993 Taurus with over 360,000 miles stopped working in Alabama. Verlin made it to the next exit, but had to cut the lights to keep the car running. On Google he “happened” to find two auto parts stores on that street. The nearest was closed, but the second had the alternator in stock, if he could get there. Then the car just “happened” to die before a parked police officer who drove Verlin the remaining mile to the open store. The manager, who just “happened” to have recently replaced the same part on a friend's similar model, volunteered to install it freely with his tools. In the process, Verlin prayed and shared Christ's counsel about suffering and healing.

Debbie also had a startling provision as she drove rural roads in Nevada on her way to a church in Idaho. She was driving late, very tired, and could not find a room because of a regional fishing tournament. After being told “no room at the inn” several times, she just “happened” to stop in desperation at a tiny motel with ‘No Vacancy’ glowing. The hotel manager just “happened” to take pity on her and did something unusual. She offered Debbie a private room in her basement for free. Of course, these events did not “just happen.” The Lord directs our paths and uses us to share His Truth, while providing our needs in the process. Ultimately, these blessings are not for our benefit, but so that we, in turn, can share His saving health among the nations (Psalm 67)! Thanks for your part in making that possible

## ***Painful Goodbyes***

Lately, we have grieved the Home-going of Debbie's grandfather, as well as other friends. Assembian Badou, pastor of the Abobo FWB Church in Abidjan, was promoted to heaven after a valiant fight with cancer. He always bathed his church in prayer and exemplified a passion for the lost. He left a widow with several children. In late May, a cherished Community Health Evangelism (CHE) colleague died unexpectedly of a severe asthma attack. Pasquier Deahon served as a clinic administration, active church member, and CHE champion. He assisted many Christian NGO and churches to more effectively witness and serve, just as he helped us in CHE trainings in Bondoukou, villages, and at a university in Abidjan. His wife is pregnant with their first child. Lastly, our hearts go out to the families of several ministry partners who are now present with the Lord, one whose husband was called Home abruptly. All have helped spread the gospel in Cote



d'Ivoire as our ministry partners for over 10 years. All are faithful servants sorely missed!

### ***Planning Priorities***

Verlin is already in detailed planning for the training at the university in Abidjan, once again scheduled for September. This year is more challenging for numerous reasons, and this process always takes away from USA responsibilities. Several CHE trainings in Cote d'Ivoire are being juggled and delayed because we are not yet back on the field. We are in the throes of applying for passports, visas, and other busy work.

### ***Prayerful Progress***

Last quarterly report, we asked for prayer in several areas. We want to praise the Lord by sharing His answers below.

- Cason and Suzanne are now the official foster parents of our granddaughter-to-be, with adoption possible in 6 months!
- The trailer needed for a 'permanent' TN address and reducing college expenses has been placed on family property. We await final utility hookups to store belongings, hopefully by mid-June.
- Corbin finished his freshman year at Union well, and has his summer job.
- Debbie was able to receive training in CHE Women's Cycle of Life when she attended the Wholistic Missions Conference in Phoenix. This will enable her to be even more useful in ministry, as these biblical and practical lessons have opened doors for the gospel and community transformation around the world.



- In the past 9 weeks, around \$1,000.00 more per month has been pledged to our account
- Thankfully the Ebola crisis ebbs away.

### ***Pledges***

It is hard to fathom that if 280 more of the 1,100 people who receive our ministry update emails gave \$10.00 a month, we would be on our way to Cote d'Ivoire. Or put another way, we need 28 x 100 (28 individuals or groups of people giving \$100 a month). All other mission requirements are met. The Lord is faithful and knows just the time we need to arrive on the field. Debbie remembers one time as a teen that it took her family two years to raise funds to return to Africa. We are not discouraged, but are working to find the remaining ministry partners that the Lord has for us. We would love to see people who have never given regularly to missions experience that blessing, but often it is the highly committed who give more. Just this week a dear couple changed their pledge from \$50.00 to \$100.00 a month. Amazing!



David told the Lord he would not offer a sacrifice that cost him nothing. Our application of that principle this year has meant not receiving any reimbursement for our ministry expenses to date, seeking low-cost missionary housing and motels, buying used clothes, and keeping McDonald's in business! We continue to draw a poverty-level salary so that we can qualify for health insurance. When more of our monthly needs are pledged, we will turn in current and some backlogged expenses. Many of our ministry partners give sacrificially. We commit to be careful stewards, while participating ourselves in the financial sacrifices.

Your partners in the Gospel,  
Verlin and Debbie

### **We'd appreciate your prayers for . . .**

- ✎ Recently Cote d'Ivoire met the international requirements to receive direct air flights from the USA. Hopefully tickets will decrease by \$200-\$400 each, and the trip will shorten 4 to 8 hours.
- ✎ The final placing of the trailer allows us to plan services more than two or three weeks in advance, something we've been unable to do since this became our best option to maintain an U.S. address. Continued prayer for financial support and Spirit filled worship services is appreciated.

## Anderson Fourth Quarter 2014 Financial Report

**Budget:** The 2015 budget anticipates \$96,000 to permit continued U.S. report visits, visas, a set aside for a vehicle purchase again since the purchase in 2014 did not happen, maintain our Ivorian housing with storage, maintenance and repair expenses during our absence. 61.2% of the similar 2014 budget was received.

Donations to our CHSC account #0118 for the first quarter of 2015 are shown below. They show the drop-off that typically follows the Christmas season and are again listed in the order received per our reports. For donor confidentiality purposes, we only show the sender's zip code. Senders from the same zip code are differentiated by the addition of letters. Please contact us if you believe a donation made is missing. We can be reached by call or by text at (615) 477-1129. You may also contact the Christian Health Service Corps (CHSC) directly at [info@healthservicecorps.org](mailto:info@healthservicecorps.org). The 2015 budget is at link <http://bit.ly/1LIHlhw>

CHSC Anderson Account #0118 Income : January 2015 through March 2015								
Donor by ZIP code	Report Mo./Yr.	Amount	Donor by ZIP code	Report Mo./Yr.	Amount	Donor by ZIP code	Report Mo./Yr.	Amount
<b><u>January 2015</u></b>			37205	2/8	\$5.00	37013	3/16	\$25.00
25621	1/12	\$100.00	48092	2/8	\$5.00	24230	3/16	\$100.00
48017	1/12	\$20.00	37076	2/17	\$50.00	48066	3/16	\$100.00
24230	1/15	\$100.00	48066	2/23	\$100.00	25621	3/16	\$100.00
37076	1/17	\$50.00	48198	2/23	\$1,465.00	37122	3/16	\$200.00
37650	1/22	\$100.00	28714	2/23	\$100.00	48073	3/16	\$499.99
28714	1/22	\$100.00	48073	2/23	\$323.84	37214	3/16	\$235.00
48073	1/22	\$562.76	37650	2/27	\$100.00	37064	3/16	\$100.00
24844	1/22	\$124.58	48071	2/27	\$150.00	37076	3/17	\$50.00
28527	1/27	\$50.00	48509	2/27	\$300.00	37743	3/27	\$100.00
48092	1/30	\$200.00	48703a	2/27	\$171.70	83338	3/23	\$337.00
27597	1/30	\$225.00	83338	2/27	\$210.00	28527	3/27	\$50.00
28705	1/30	\$35.00	37214	2/27	\$175.00	48092	3/28	\$203.88
83338	1/30	\$276.00	48038	2/27	\$135.77	48183	3/28	\$25.00
37214	1/30	\$310.00	28705	2/27	\$50.00	37650	3/31	\$100.00
<b><u>February 2015</u></b>			28527	2/27	\$50.00	62951	3/31	\$111.68
37743	2/8	\$100.00	48092	2/28	\$203.88	48066	3/31	\$200.00
48017	2/8	\$20.00	<b><u>March 2015</u></b>			37076	3/31	\$100.00
28705	2/8	\$100.00	48017	3/9	\$20.00	28714	3/31	\$100.00
25621	2/8	\$100.00	28705	3/9	\$100.00	48092a	3/31	\$168.18
24230	2/8	\$100.00	24844	3/9	\$65.60	28705	3/31	\$50.00
24844	2/8	\$139.86	48073a	3/9	\$300.00	48340	3/31	\$234.00
<b>CHSC 2014 Q4 Report - Account Balance</b>						<b>\$32,232.14</b>		
Donation Totals (January-March 2015 <i>excepting the \$120 of 1/12 included in 2013 Q4 total</i> ):						\$9,963.72		
Fees: Credit Card (\$21.99 paid separately) Admin (\$756.28)						(\$756.28)		
Other Expenses paid from account by CHSC #0118						<b>\$0.00</b>		
2015 Salary to date accepted from CHSC #0118 to qualify for health insurance:						(\$5,550.00)		
<b>CHSC 2015 March cumulative Report Account Balance:</b>						<b>\$35,889.58</b>		
Personal: IRS Allowable Expenses incurred Jan-Mar 2015:						(\$4,684.02)		
Personal: IRS Allowable Expenses incurred 2014						(\$30,243.81)		
<b>Expense Reimbursements via CHSC #0118 thru Q1</b>						<b>\$0</b>		

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