



Ministry Updates

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It may seem strange to have an update called "This is War" for Mother's Day, but it fits perfectly for three reasons. Our mothers have waged war in prayer and as support soldiers for our family since our first day as missionaries. What a treasure they are, as are all mothers who fight for the well-being of their families and culture through prayer and obedient lives! We honor their faithfulness today by sharing [this tribute](http://bit.ly/2p1Xhfe) (<http://bit.ly/2p1Xhfe>), written by a missionary wife.

Secondly, there is the constant spiritual warfare as the Lord brings people to Himself. The four faithful men that we coach in Disciple Making Movements (DMM) to launch additional Community Health Evangelism (CHE) ministries have all felt the battle personally **in the past month**. One has an illness that makes him very weak. His doctors have not yet identified it, but we are helping them diagnose the problem. The second's wife was so ill one weekend that he thought he might lose her. Thankfully she is fully recovered now. The third was robbed in town last week while he was visiting a road-side shop. The fourth was thrown from his motorcycle last Saturday as his son also left the seat behind him due to an unrepaired and unmarked hole intentionally cut in the road. The father remained unconscious for about 5 hours. His son tried to flag down passing vehicles, but most drivers did not stop to help. They likely feared the wounded might be among the infamous road bandits of this country who hide on the sides of the road, get people to stop, then threaten, rob, and sometimes kill the Good Samaritans. The father is now recovering well at home. The son has just a scraped hand. We and all the believers with us know we are foot soldiers in a war to push back the kingdom of darkness.

Thirdly, the unholy war for political influence has surged again. We hear gunshots today, and on our street briefly this morning, as [disgruntled military](http://bbc.in/2p11st4) (<http://bbc.in/2p11st4>) from a distant city reportedly stole a local police truck, freed prisoners from jail, and now joy-ride while shooting in the air. They wait for the president to again acquiesce to their demands. Our vehicle is more at risk than we are, so we stay home and catch up on computer work.

Prayer and Praise

- 🕊 Recently a tornado passed close by our mission HQ in Grand Saline, Texas. Some neighbors lost everything, but nothing was harmed at [Shalom Retreat and Training Center](#) which is the home base for Christian Health Service Corps. Thank the Lord with us!
- 🕊 Pray that we all are faithful and persevering soldiers in this very real spiritual war.
- 🕊 Ask for a God-fearing resolution to the political power play at work in Cote d'Ivoire.

Your partners in the Gospel,
Verlin and Debbie Anderson

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