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Perhaps one of the greatest challenges in the Church is to make people hungry to know God. Do co-workers, family, and friends see something in our hope, our marriages, our homes, our work ethic, our humble service, and every other aspect of life that make them hungry to follow Jesus? This longing can pop up in the most unusual ways and times. Recently on a trip, we had a gendarme (military police) stop us and want to search our truck. Verlin gave permission, but the man proceeded in a way that was not acceptable. After a long discussion, thankfully the chief of the gendarmes was called. Verlin spoke frankly and kindly with the boss about the behavior of his colleague, and turned the situation into an occasion to witness. By the end of Verlin's conversation about justice, God's laws, and the fact that his men served as ministers of God according to Romans 13, the gendarme leader made an interesting comment. He said Verlin's words gave him a burning in his heart, a hunger for something different.

The same thing happened when a man was brought to our house to get to know us and learn more about Farming God's Way and Disciple Making Movement (DMM) Bible studies. An hour later he exuded the energy of someone who had been spiritually fed. He realized that God could use him to sow seeds of the Gospel that would bring a spiritual and physical harvest.



Sometimes the hunger we can satisfy is very literal. This week a mother came to us for counsel about her young child. The toddler had the beginning of red hair, an indication of malnutrition. Although his family has plenty to eat, they were not feeding him the dark greens full of iron. We spent over an hour teaching mom how to prepare and incorporate moringa leaves into her family's daily diet. She left rejoicing because God has provided a local resource that she can easily grow in her yard. It will bring healing to several symptoms and not hurt their budget!

Prayer and Praise

- Pray that we always make people hungry for our incomparable Savior by our words and deeds. We pray the same for you!
- Ask for travel mercies as Debbie flies to the States on Sunday, July 9. She will complete doctor visits before Verlin joins her on Saturday and together we head to Louisville on Sunday for the FWB National Convention. Pray for Verlin and other CHE laborers who will gather in Benin for the French-speaking CHE Consultation on Tuesday-Friday, July 11-14.

Your partners in the Gospel, Verlin and Debbie Anderson

Last week: <u>Microbes</u> - <u>Anderson WEEKLY 170701.pdf</u>
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