

# **Ministry Updates**

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In a time when lukewarm Christianity and scandalous accusations are made among prominent Christian leaders, it is reassuring to personally know some “real deal” believing friends. This is the kind of spiritual brother or sister whom you see finish their spiritual lives on earth well—not because they were perfect, but because they knew the Savior, their need of Him, and chose to intentionally walk obediently as best they understood. On leaving us, they join the cloud of witnesses praying justice for all along our way. Today was the funeral of such an Ivorian man from the Goumère area who we expect many readers to meet in heaven some day and so come to know him as the pictured crowd does. Kouame Paul was among the first converts in the region over fifty years ago. To many, he came to be like Scandalon ([1Ptr 2:8](#); link to [song](#) or [definition](#)). Known for his radiant smile, servant heart, and faithful work in the local church, he is greatly missed. The transformed life that Jesus intends is obvious in the lives of his children and grandchildren. One of his children’s recent Facebook posts spoke of how his father would rise early in the morning, no matter how feeble or ill he felt, and pray over him before he left to return to school (or his own home, as a grown man). He wrote of standing before his dad’s bedroom door on May 15 and realizing that the gentle prayers of his father were complete. That morning his mother prayed over him, instead. So many have precious memories of this faithful man. We rejoice to see a lifestyle devoted to obeying Jesus being passed on.





Other people here continue to learn in our days this “real deal” transformation by experience as they participate in Discovery Bible Studies (DBS). One DBS leader was surprised by exciting news this month. His study with young people has now multiplied into a third generation of studies. He just knew of attendees at the one he leads! That is to say, someone from his DBS started another Bible study, and now a person from that second study has started another DBS. Praise the Lord! We want to see that multiplied over and over again until the Gospel reaches every neighborhood in our town.

Meanwhile, in Missouri, Debbie and Corbin had a good week. Corbin’s first few days of an intensive two-week training went well. Debbie was able to locate three possible apartments in good locations. The one we hope will work out is a stone’s throw from his work! They have not been affected by the serious flooding in the region.

## **Prayer and Praise**

 Pray for new believers who have come to the Lord in DBS. May they be strengthened for persecution that comes as they share their faith. Also, please pray that DBS groups will continue to multiply rapidly rather than taking the easy way and staying together.

 Pray the many diverse groups started in CHE and CHE-DMM continue advancing. The national president shared of 3 trainings in other towns begun by those we’ve trained together besides many other ‘growing pain’ provisions for which we must seek or understand the Lord’s provision. Verlin and Emmanuel talked non-stop in reporting to one another for 3¾ hours.

 Continue to pray for Corbin’s adjustment in Missouri and for an excellent housing provision.



Your partners in the Gospel,  
*Verlin and Debbie Anderson*

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