

# AWA Ministry Updates

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With a sigh of relief, we can gladly say that we are home with no trainings immediately looming before us. We have much to do in December, though. There are important matters of home and ministry that have been **percolating** on the back burners of our brains as we ran full throttle the past few months and



coordinated with others on three training events. Now we can get those mental projects off the stove and into action—at least some of them! Debbie expects to prepare training manuals and other documents for upcoming Community Health Evangelism (CHE) events. She intends as well to resume some office projects that have been on hold, after getting some clarity from Verlin. He hopes to solve an email problem that has hobbled delivery of this update to many since our being obliged to change website hosts. On and off over three months, he has probably spent a 100 hours so far trying to find out the reasons servers are blocking people unknowingly from receiving these updates. He must also dedicate time to budgets, taxes, and end-of-year reporting. Together, we both expect to work on PowerPoints and other presentations to share in churches should one or both of us return to the States sooner than July to raise funds.

**Percolating** ideas is also an important concept when you are helping people step up and out from the slavery of a dependency mindset to the radical thought of local ownership and development. Many people experience “aha” moments in both CHE and DMM (Disciple Making Movement) trainings that we facilitate. They discover that the Gospel spreads much more quickly and profoundly when we . . .

- limit ourselves to using reproducible, local resources,
- do not depend on outside funds,
- think multiplication instead of addition in the Kingdom,
- use methods that can easily be duplicated by others, and
- teach all believers to make disciples in order to bring wholistic change in communities.



But it takes weeks, months and even years sometimes, of these truths **percolating** in the heart and mind with prayer and counsel to figure out how we individually can put these changes into practice. The leaders of the Pastors' Collective of Bondoukou expressed this awareness and excitement in a follow-up meeting we had at our house Wednesday night. Follow-up with them is our other ministering priority into January.

After seeing Jean-Marc Fritsch off at the airport last Friday, Verlin joyfully met with five others who **percolate** ideas for now, one of whom was a pastor who attended the Million Village Challenge (MVC) and whose mind has been **percolating** the vision he received. This leader has put together a strategic planning document which presents his intention to train his national evangelical church in CHE. He believes the MVC was a divine appointment and that CHE is the ministry model they have been seeking.

## Prayer and Praise

- ☞ Thank the Lord for the many hearts touched in the past year and with whom we believe we must continue to follow. Pray for leaders who need time to let CHE and DMM ideas **percolate**. Ask especially that they seize the application the Lord wants them to make. Pray they boldly make the necessary changes yet remain patient as people learn to be disciples and make disciples in unfamiliar ways.
- ☞ Thank the Lord with us that we have been approved for medical insurance again at a reasonable rate! This is open to change each year, but greatly helps us keep our monthly budget reduced.
- ☞ Pray that in these weeks home we will have our strength renewed, but get much work done, too.

Your partners in the Gospel,  
Verlin and Debbie Anderson

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