



Ministry Updates

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As Debbie prepped our Tennessee Homestead to be a trip-free zone for her post-op recovery, Verlin traveled to and from the West African French CHE Regional Conference in Togo. In all the running, the Lord reminded Verlin of a [social psychology study on helping \(summary\)](#) based on the story of the Good Samaritan ([Luke 10:25-37](#)). The landmark study showed the importance of not rushing along *our* ways to meet *our* priorities without sensing the needs of those around us. Those are the real teaching moments that connect us when obeying God. Here are five of the thirteen witness opportunities Verlin recalls as developed by this reminder this week:

- While observing the loading of the bus departing Abidjan, a follower of Mohammed found himself persuaded to reconsider the identity of Issa (Jesus of Nazareth). He kept saying over to himself as Verlin witnessed that Issa must have been more than just a prophet.
- After being praised by a Lebanese barber as 'special' for the time he takes to listen, Verlin slowed his rush to shop in order to eat at one of the new American style fast food restaurants. After studying his face intensely, a Frenchman approached and identified himself as the man that Verlin had talked with at length in a Bouake hotel in June 2018 when preparing for the November [Million Village Challenge](#). The European shared that his life had been changed by that conversation! Apparently his disdain for the Protestant church has evaporated and he is now open to belief that God reveals Himself! It was a joy to realize that this man let go of decades of prejudice and misunderstanding to step closer to a vibrant relationship with Jesus.
- The university CHE team regularly meets to plan and evaluate on Fridays. Verlin arranges his time to participate when in Abidjan, the treat being to drink some Moringa leaf tea. The choice to attend yesterday rather than rush to Bondoukou for some accounting allowed a fellow CHE Conference traveler to organize a training, a pharmacy student who helped us find the drop-off location for the traveler to become interested in learning about CHE, and the start of planning for a training in San Pedro!
- Before leaving Abidjan Friday, Verlin spoke with two Christian leaders of two groups who have connections with The Jesus Film and MegaVoice ministries. They are looking for believers in Bondoukou and Bouna from the [Lobi](#) and [Kulango](#) peoples with whom to partner in spreading the Gospel. International partners have given them access to equipment that they want to see used to touch the unreached in our area. Verlin will recommend some people to them soon.



Prayer and Praise

- ☞ Pray that the Lord reassures many of those doing CHE that their work is important. There will be a *congrès* (a symposium where various people will share for about 15 minutes concerning their efforts in CHE around West Africa) before the fall CHE Exposition. The university team is welcoming pastors and church leaders who use the strategy to participate in the symposium. This will bolster the communication and cooperation. Pray the 7 we've targeted can share.
- ☞ Pray that all goes smoothly for Debbie's knee scope on Monday, April 15. The procedure is scheduled outpatient at 7:00 a.m.
Your partners in the Gospel,
Verlin and Debbie Anderson

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