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Understanding Terms

[Profit and Loss](#) are realities that we who follow Christ must accept to be competent witnesses. They derive from faith. Jesus spoke in such terms when He talked of counting the cost or gaining the whole world but losing one's soul. Without understanding the thought, living abundantly and giving generously of ourselves seems to be senseless or a scale of judgment based on human effort. These and other economic concepts get explained during a Community Health Evangelism (CHE) Micro-Enterprise training. Recent events and reports remind us of this glorious paradox.

Spiritual Profit and Physical Loss

This week Verlin learned of joyous and sad news related to new converts. The [businesswoman who converted](#) from a false faith has experienced the joy of leading another person to Christ. Her unbelieving husband continues in agreement to live with her! In contrast, another disciple converted within a village deeply entrenched in Satan's dominion by witchcraft witnessed his wife desert him because he decided to follow Jesus. He has experienced losses in the form of [persecution](#) on many levels while gaining what he knows to be priceless. Pray for these new believers and others who learn to view life's hardships from eternal perspectives.

Missionary Profit and Loss



As missionaries, we live in a constant state of balancing profit and loss while transferring between continents and cultures. Great gain and progress in Cote d'Ivoire ministries always come at the expense of missing important life events with family and friends in America. Case in point: Debbie rejoices to return to Verlin in Africa on Wednesday, but both of us feel the pangs of missing a nephew's wedding and having missed a family reunion. These feelings get compounded by Debbie having to say goodbye to this pictured darling and ebullient granddaughter and all our beloved family. From the viewpoint of servants living for eternal purposes, we see the Lord's balance sheet indicates much more significant growth in our area of service. That

does not diminish mentally counting the losses that we must address in our temporal skins.

Missionaries need constant prayer and wisdom as we juggle this paradoxical reality.

Prayer and Praise

- ✚ [Cote d'Ivoire recently reported eighty-nine cases of Yellow Fever](#). Pray that professionals we have trained in CHE work expertly and that the scourge remains limited.
- ✚ Pray for those who live in the Democratic Republic of Congo where another Ebola outbreak remains a challenge to contain. We have [fellow CHSC missionaries](#) who serve there.
- ✚ Debbie leaves Nashville on Wednesday, August 7, to rejoin Verlin in Cote d'Ivoire. Pray that she travels uneventfully and perceives any opportunity to share Christ and encourage others.
- ✚ Pray that God's grace leads believers who suffer [unprecedented earthly loss](#) for heavenly gain as they remain firmly attached to Christ and follow Jesus' call and command in [persecution](#).

Your partners in the Gospel,

Verlin and Debbie Anderson

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